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Salem Nuclear Generating Station

July 10, 1979

Mr. Boyce H. Grier Director of USNRC Office of Inspection and Enforcement Region 1 631 Park Avenue King of Prussia, Pennsylvania 19406



Dear Sir:

REPORTABLE OCCURRENCE 79-50/01P SALEM NO. 1 UNIT LER

This letter will serve to confirm our verbal report to Mr. Lelf Northolm, the Salem NRC Resident Inspector, on July 10, 1979, advising of a reportable occurrence in accordance with Technical Specification 6.9.1.8.i.

Westinghouse has informed us that reactor trip and auxiliary feedwater initiation (based on Low-Low steam generator water level) could be delayed in the event of a main feedline rupture inside containment. This is due to a possible heatup of the steam generator level reference leg creating a decrease in water column density with a consequent apparent increase in the indicated steam generator water level.

A detailed report will be submitted in the time period epecified by the Technical Specifications.

Very truly yours,

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Manager - Sales Generating Station

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CC: General Manager - Electric Production Manager - Quality Assurance

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