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Docket Nos. 50-272

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Mr. Steven E. Miltenberger Vice President and Chief Nuclear Officer Public Service Electric and Gas Company P.O. Box 236 Hancocks Bridge, NJ 08038

Dear Mr. Miltenberger:

SUBJECT: SALEM AND HOPE CREEK RESIDENT INSPECTION NOS. 50-272/94-01;

50-311/94-01; 50-354/94-01

The enclosed report documents an inspection to assure public health and safety, conducted by Mr. C. Marschall, Senior Resident Inspector and other members of the NRC resident and regional staff at the Salem and Hope Creek Nuclear Generating Stations for the period between January 16, 1994 and February 19, 1994. The inspectors discussed the findings of this inspection with Mr. R. Hovey and Mr. L. Catalfomo of your staff.

Within the scope of this inspection, the inspectors noted two non-cited violations. The first violation involved non-compliance with operating procedures while handling new fuel. The second violation involved a non-compliance relative to a work authorization. Your staff's appropriate corrective actions allowed us to exercise discretionary enforcement for these violations. The details of these issues are within the report.

We also identified that another one of your activities was not in compliance with regulatory requirements. Specifically, we determined that during a startup on May 21, 1993 you changed modes at Salem Unit 2 knowing that the steam driven auxiliary feedwater pump was disassembled and inoperable. During this inspection period we also determined that you took corrective actions to correct the problem and prevent recurrence. Since no further action is necessary, you are not required to respond to the enclosed Notice of Violation.

During this period, we also reviewed your efforts to evaluate and resolve the discovery of Salem Unit 2 operation in excess of the licensed thermal power limit. This item remains unresolved pending further testing and NRC review.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," its enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY EDWARD C. WENZINGER

Edward C. Wenzinger, Chief Projects Branch No. 2 Division of Reactor Projects

Enclosures:

NRC Inspection Report Nos. 50-272/94-01; 50-311/94-01; 50-354/94-01

Notice of Violation

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