July 6, 1999

Mr. Harold W. Keiser
President and Chief Nuclear Officer
Nuclear Business Unit
Public Service Electric and Gas Company
P. O. Box 236
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SUBJECT: REQUALIFICATION PROGRAM INSPECTION - SALEM

Dear Mr. Keiser:

In a telephone conversation on July 2, 1999, Thomas Kenny and Todd Fish made arrangements for the NRC to inspect the licensed operator requalification program at the Salem Nuclear Generating Station, Unit Nos. 1 and 2. The inspection is planned for the week of August 30, 1999, which coincides with your regularly scheduled requalification examination cycle. The staff at your facility should prepare and conduct the requalification examinations in accordance with your NRC-approved requalification program. This inspection will be conducted in accordance with the new NRC reactor inspection and oversight program, using Inspection Module 71111-11.

In accordance with 10 CFR 55.59(c), the NRC may request facility licensees to submit their comprehensive requalification written examinations or annual operating tests as necessary to support the NRC's inspection program needs. In order for the NRC to adequately prepare for this inspection, please furnish the exam week schedule and the written examinations and operating tests scheduled for the week of the inspection to the NRC by August 13, 1999. Paul Williams has been advised of this request and provided with the name and address of the NRC lead inspector assigned to this inspection.

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Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions regarding this inspection, please contact T. Kenny at (610) 337-5287.

Sincerely,

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