



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
REGION I
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Docket Nos. 50-289
50-320

Metropolitan Edison Company
ATTN: Mr. R. C. Arnold
Sr. Vice President
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Parsippany, New Jersey 07054

Gentlemen:

Subject: Combined Inspection 50-289/79-21; 50-320/79-29

This refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. R. McGaughey of this office on October 23-November 27, 1979, at Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Units 1 and 2, Middletown, Pennsylvania, of activities authorized by NRC License Nos. DPR-50 and DPR-73 and to the discussions of our findings held by Mr. H. Crocker, of this office, with Messrs. J. Herbein, R. Wilson and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during this inspection period are described in the Office of Inspection and Enforcement Inspection Report which is enclosed with this letter. Within these areas, the inspection activities consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with licensee and contractor personnel, measurements made by the inspectors, and observations by the inspectors. NRC personnel provided 24 hour per day inspection coverage on site during this period.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that one of your activities was not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements, as set forth in the Notice of Violation, enclosed herewith as Appendix A. This item of noncompliance has been categorized into the levels as described in our correspondence to you dated December 31, 1974. This notice is sent to you pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.201 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. Section 2.201 requires you to submit to this office, within twenty (20) days of your receipt of this notice, a written statement or explanation in reply including: (1) corrective steps which have been taken by you and the results achieved; (2) corrective steps which will be taken to avoid further items of noncompliance; and (3) the date when full compliance will be achieved.

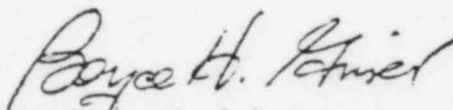
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In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosures will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room. If this report contains any information that you (or your contractor) believe to be proprietary, it is necessary that you make a written application within 20 days to this office to withhold such information from public disclosure. Any such application must be accompanied by an affidavit executed by the owner of the information, which identifies the document or part sought to be withheld, and which contains a statement of reasons which addresses with specificity the items which will be considered by the Commission as listed in subparagraph (b)(4) of Section 2.790. The information sought to be withheld shall be incorporated as far as possible into a separate part of the affidavit. If we do not hear from you in this regard within the specified period, the report will be placed in the Public Document Room.

Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,



Boyce H. Grier
Director

Enclosures:

1. Appendix A, Notice of Violation
2. Office of Inspection and Enforcement Combined Inspection Report
Numbers 50-289/79-21 and 50-320/79-29

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