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MEMORANDUM FOR: Allegation File No. RI-88-A-0048

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FROM: J. Johnson, Chief, Reactor Projects Section 2C

SUBJECT: CLOSEOUT OF ALLEGATION RI-88-A-0048

The purpose of this memorandum is to document the allegation panel conclusion that this allegation is considered closed.

An allegation panel met on 5/13/88 to discuss the circumstances surrounding the anonymous letter which expressed concerns about the promotion of an individual at Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation. There were two concerns: 1) the individual was drunk in the Unit 1 control room and ordered the reactor started up, and 2) he lied to the NRC about the installation of radiation monitoring equipment.

NRC escalated enforcement actions (NRC Order by the Director, Office of Inspection and Enforcement) were taken based on issue number 2) above approximately 7 years ago. In addition, a complete personal background review was performed as part of an NRC investigation into this alleged "lying" issue, and resulted in acceptable findings (character and personal traits considered acceptable).

Moreover, the thrust of the allegor's concerns are that a person of questionable motives would be adversely affecting the safe operation of the facilities. This is deemed invalid for two reasons: 1)

and 2) a recent corporate and station reorganization resulted in the position of [redacted] being removed from direct responsibility for day-to-day site operations. The individuals directly responsible for plant operations are the Superintendents for Units 1 and 2, the General Station Superintendent, and the Senior Vice President - Nuclear (who has coincidentally also relocated an office to the site).

In conclusion, the allegation panel has evaluated the concerns raised in light of previous events, determined that no further action is necessary, and that this allegation is considered closed.

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I have enclosed my records to complete the allegation file.

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