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Attention: Mr. Robert A. Clark, Chief
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Reference (1): License No. DPR-36 (Docket No. 50-309)

Subject: Shortnose sturgeon collection at Maine Yankee October 27, 1980

Dear Sir:

This letter provides additional details pertaining to the collection of a decomposing shortnose sturgeon (*Acipenser brevirostrum*) on the Maine Yankee trash racks as reported to your office on October 28, 1980.

At or about 1420 hours on October 27, 1980 a shortnose sturgeon was raked from trash rack "B" during routine cleaning. Trash racks including trash rack "B" were previously cleaned at 1230 hours the same day.

The dead animal was approximately 87 cm (TL) and was in very poor condition, the head being attached only by skin. Several dorsal scutes were separated from the body and also attached only by flaps of skin. The sturgeon was immediately transported to Department of Marine Resources pathologist Stuart Sherburne, who may be contacted for further details.

A copy of this letter is also being sent to Mr. Douglas Beach of National Marine Fisheries Service for NMFS' records.

If you have any questions concerning this matter please do not hesitate to call.

Sincerely,

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