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Mr. W. J. Cahill, Jr.
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Dear Mr. Cahill:

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The areas examined during the inspection included Therm-A-Lag and the allegations and issues associated with its receipt inspection; the controversy over documentation of wall thickness problems using a nonconformance report; your corrective actions; and follow-up on previously identified Therm-A-Lag discrepancies. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examination of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspectors.

During this inspection, it was found that certain of your activities appear to be in violation of NRC requirements. The apparent violations are being reviewed for appropriate enforcement action.

The NRC is concerned that a violation of the employee protection provisions set forth in 10 CFR 50.7 may have occurred and that the actions taken during the course of the events described in the enclosed inspection report may have had a chilling effect on other licensee or contractor personnel. Consequently, we believe it would be useful to meet with you to discuss our findings.

You should be prepared to discuss these findings at an enforcement conference to be scheduled during the week of February 5, 1990. In accordance with 10 CFR 2, Appendix C, the enforcement conference will not be open to the public. Following the enforcement conference you will be notified of the resolution of these findings.

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In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosed report will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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

Sincerely,

Original signed by C. I. Grimes

C. I. Grimes, Director
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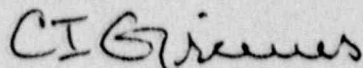
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