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Docket No. 50-443

Public Service Company of New Hampshire  
ATTN: Mr. Edward A. Brown, President  
and Chief Executive Officer  
New Hampshire Yankee Division  
Post Office Box 300  
Seabrook, New Hampshire 03874

Gentlemen:

Subject: Inspection Report 50-443/89-17

This refers to the special safety inspection conducted by Mr. R. J. Paolino of this office on November 6-10, 1989 at Seabrook, New Hampshire and continued in the Region I office on December 4, 1989 and to the discussions of our findings held by Mr. Paolino with Mr. R. C. Feigenbaum and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection. The inspection covered activities authorized by NRC License No. NPF-56.

Areas examined during this inspection are described in the NRC Region I Inspection Report which is enclosed with this letter. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspector.

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. The violation involves licensee failure to demonstrate qualification of installed ASCO valves in a steam environment.

This violation has been categorized by Severity Level in accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC enforcement actions," 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C (Enforcement Policy). You are required to respond to this letter and in preparing your response, you should follow the instructions in Appendix A.

Your cooperation with us in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:  
William V. Johnston

Marvin W. Hodges, Director  
Division of Reactor Safety

Enclosures:

1. NRC Region I Inspection Report Number 50-443/89-17
2. Appendix A, Notice of Violation

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