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Docket No. 70-1113 License No. SNM-1097 EA 94-013

General Electric Company ATTN: Mr. Craig Kipp, General Manager Nuclear Energy Production P. O. Box 780 Wilmington, NC 28402

Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF MEETING ARRANGEMENTS

This refers to the conversation between you and Mr. E. J. McAlpine of this office on January 13, 1994, concerning an Enforcement Conference to be held at the Region II offices at 1:00 p.m. on January 26, 1994. This Enforcement Conference will be open for public observation in accordance with the Commission's trial program. A copy of the Federal Register Notice discussing the trial program was sent to you with the Inspection Report.

We requested this meeting to discuss NRC findings documented in Inspection Report No. 70-1113/93-12 which was sent to you on January 19, 1994. The inspection findings involved the apparent failures to implement nuclear criticality safety controls for rotary pellet presses and to implement adequate corrective actions for audit findings. The purposes of this conference are to discuss the apparent violations, their causes and safety significance; to provide you the opportunity to point out any errors in our inspection report; and, to provide an opportunity for you to present your proposed corrective actions. In addition, this is an opportunity for you to provide any information concerning your perspective on 1) the severity of the issue, 2) the factors that the NRC considers when it determines the amount of a civil penalty that may be assessed in accordance with Section VI.B.2 of the Enforcement Policy, and 3) the possible basis for exercising discretion in accordance with Section VII of the Enforcement Policy. A proposed meeting agenda is enclosed.

Should you have any questions regarding these arrangements, we will be pleased to discuss them.

Sincerely,

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J. Philip Stohr, Director Division of Radiation Safety and Safeguards

Enclosure: Proposed Meeting Agenda

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ENFORCEMENT CONFERENCE AGENDA U. S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION AND GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY - NUCLEAR ENERGY PRODUCTION

January 26, 1994

- I. INTRODUCTION AND OPENING REMARKS Mr. Reyes, Deputy Regional Administrator
- II. DISCUSSION OF THE NRC ENFORCEMENT PROCESS Mr. Uryc, Acting Director Enforcement and Investigation Coordination Staff
- III. OVERVIEW Mr. Reves
- IV. APPARENT VIOLATIONS AND NRC CONCERNS Mr. Stohr, Director Division of Radiation Safety and Safeguards
- V. LICENSEE PRESENTATION

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- VI. NRC FOLLOW-UP QUESTIONS
- VII. CLOSING REMARKS Mr. Reyes