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Docket No. 50-333

Mr. Harry P. Salmon, Jr.
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New York Power Authority
James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant
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Dear Mr. Salmon:

SUBJECT: NRC REGION I INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-333/93-16

This letter transmits the report of the routine announced safety inspection conducted by Messrs. R. J. Paolino and L. L. Scholl of this office for the period of August 9-13, 1993, and November 15-19, 1993, at the James A. FitzPatrick (JAF) Nuclear Power Plant, located in Scriba, New York. The inspectors discussed the inspection findings with members of your staff on August 13, 1993, and at the conclusion of the inspection on November 19, 1993.

The inspection was directed toward areas important to public health and safety. Areas examined are described in the NRC inspection report, that is enclosed with this letter. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of document reviews and personnel interviews.

The primary focus of the inspection was a review of surveillance test deficiencies identified by your staff. In all of the examples reviewed, the problems were procedural inadequacies, that when corrected, resulted in satisfactory test results. The inspectors found that as additional deficiencies were identified your corrective action plan was appropriately expanded. The NRC encourages the continued self-identification and correction of these problems and as these deficiencies satisfy the criteria specified in Section VII.B.2 of the Enforcement Policy, a violation will not be cited.

We understand that additional procedure reviews are continuing and you plan to review all surveillance tests. Although the findings to date have not identified any significant safety issues, we expect that these reviews will be completed in a reasonable time. As such, we request that within 60 days of the date of this letter you inform us in writing of your schedule for the review of the remaining surveillance tests.

The inspectors also found that responses to many of the items in your corrective action tracking system were overdue. Additional management attention appears to be warranted in this area.

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Your cooperation in these matters is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:

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Enclosure: NRC Inspection Report No. 50-333/93-16

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