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Docket Nos. 50-220
50-410

Mr. B. Ralph Sylvia
Executive Vice President - Nuclear
Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation
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Dear Mr. Sylvia:

Subject: NRC Inspection Nos. 50-220/94-04; 50-410/94-04

An announced safety inspection of the radiation protection program at your facility was conducted by Mr. J. Furia of this office on January 31 - February 4, 1994. The inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspector. The inspection findings were discussed with members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection on February 4, 1994.

Areas reviewed during this inspection are important to health and safety and are discussed in the enclosed report. Areas reviewed included your program to maintain occupational radiation exposures of workers as low as reasonably achievable (ALARA), the radiation protection organization and staffing, radiation protection activities during normal operations, and assurance of quality in the area of radiation protection.

The inspectors review indicated that ALARA performance at Unit 2 during 1993 demonstrated significant improvement, while good performance was maintained at Unit 1. Significant improvement in radiological housekeeping, especially in the reduction of contaminated spaces at Unit 1, was noted. Post-outage clean-up at Unit 2, however, appears to need additional attention. The radiation protection programs at Units 1 and 2 were considered effective. Your efforts in the area of assurance of quality of radiation protection activities was of high quality.

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No response to this letter is required. Your cooperation with us in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:
James H. Joyner

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Enclosure: NRC Region I Inspection Report Nos. 50-220/94-04; 50-410/94-04

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