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Docket No. 50-333

Mr. Harry P. Salmon, Jr.
Resident Manager
New York Power Authority
James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant
Post Office Box 41
Lycoming, New York 13093

Dear Mr. Salmon:

SUBJECT: INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-333/94-03

From January 24-27, 1994, Messrs. D. Florek and A. Burritt of this office conducted an announced safety inspection of activities authorized by NRC License No. DPR-59, at the James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant, Lycoming, New York. Mr. D. Florek discussed the findings with you and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

The inspection addressed plant operations and the areas examined during this inspection are important to the protection of the health and safety of the public. The areas examined and results are described in the enclosed NRC Region I Inspection Report. The inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspectors. The primary objective was to ensure that the facility's operations were conducted in a safe manner and in accordance with both regulatory requirements and licensee approved procedures. A secondary objective was to assess the interface and support between operations and the other departments. A review of previous inspection findings was also done (section 4).

Overall, operations were conducted safely, in accordance with regulatory requirements, and in accordance with licensee approved procedures. Within the scope of this inspection, no violations, deviations or unresolved items were identified.

During the exit meeting, you agreed to provide a written response 30 days following receipt of the inspection report to two items identified during the inspection, as noted below.

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For the first item (section 3.3), you do not follow the guidance provided in NRC Generic Letter 91-18 for entry into a technical specification limiting condition for operation during a surveillance test if during the test the system is inoperable. You agreed to reassess your staff's practice against the generic letter and respond with your assessment.

For the second item (section 4.8), the inspection report questions whether the FitzPatrick EOP support procedures can be reliably implemented. You agreed to review your ability to reliably implement EOP support procedures, in light of the specific inspection findings and your inhouse QA audit recommendations, and to take appropriate actions to resolve these issues. Further, you agreed to provide a response addressing both the short-term corrective actions and longer term EOP program enhancements.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

The responses requested by this letter are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, Pub. L. No. 96.511.

Your cooperation with us in this matter is appreciated. Should you have any questions, please contact me at (215) 337-5210.

Sincerely,

*Original signed by
J. Wiggins for*

Richard J. Conte, Chief
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Enclosure:

NRC Region I Inspection Report No. 50-333/94-03

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