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Dear Mr. Smith:

SUBJECT: NRC REGION I COMBINED INSPECTION REPORT NOS. 50-352/94-01
AND 50-353/94-01

This letter transmits the report of the announced safety inspection conducted by Mr. L. L. Scholl of this office for the period of January 3-10, 1994, at the Limerick Generating Station located in Sanatoga, Pennsylvania. The inspector discussed the inspection findings with members of your staff on January 10, 1994.

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

The primary focus of this inspection was the review of the plant modification designed to provide a constant backfill flow from the control rod drive system to the reactor vessel level instrumentation reference legs to prevent the accumulation of noncondensable gases in the reference leg water.

The engineering system testing and operating procedure associated with the modification were found to be thorough and of good quality. However, we noted that procedure guidance was not yet established to control the allowable backfill system outage times. We understand that you plan to develop guidance that will ensure a timely evaluation of each system outage.

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Sincerely,

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Enclosure: NRC Inspection Report Nos. 50-352/94-01 and 50-353/94-01

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