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Dear Mr. Smith:

SUBJECT: INSPECTION REPORT NOS. 50-277/93-32 AND 50-278/93-32

This letter refers to an announced safety inspection of the engineering and technical support activities related to Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station Units 2 and 3, conducted by Mr. A. Lohmeier of this office during the period November 29, 1993, through December 3, 1993, at Delta, Pennsylvania. Discussions of his findings were held with members of your engineering and licensing staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during the inspection, described in the NRC Region I inspection report enclosed with this letter, include an assessment of changes in the engineering and technical support organization through implementation of the NEEDS reorganization program. Included in this assessment was a review of engineering performance, engineering quality assurance, modification design engineering, plant operations review committee, shift engineering personnel qualification, and cyclic operation data retention and monitoring.

It was found that NEEDS engineering-related tasks are on schedule for completion in early 1994. Extensive monitoring of the performance of your engineering staff is being implemented; allowing management to focus on problem areas related to NEEDS reorganization. Careful attention to engineering performance under the organization changes is consistent with protection of the public health and safety.

The NEEDS reorganization of engineering quality assurance responsibility to the line organizations represents a major redirection of engineering quality assurance performance.

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We have noted the schedule provided in your response to the operational data monitoring issue, and will monitor the fulfillment of the milestones in this effort toward assessment of remaining plant life. Because Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station components are now past half their design life, it becomes important to ascertain that the design life of these components will not be exceeded without careful analysis and evaluation.

As a result of this inspection, no deviations or violations were noted.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:

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Enclosure: NRC Region I Combined Inspection Report Nos. 50-277/93-32 and  
50-278/93-32

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