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Subject: Beaver Valley Power Station, Unit No. 1 and No. 2

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Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance (SALP)

Report Nos. 50-334/92-99 and 50-412/92-99

On February 18, 1994, a meeting was held to discuss the NRC SALP Board Assessment Report for Beaver Valley Power Station, Units 1 and 2. The SALP report, dated February 1, 1994, assessed station activities for the period of June 14, 1992 through November 27, 1993.

Attached are our comments concerning the report and our plans to improve performance as discussed at the SALP meeting.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact my office.

Sincerely,

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Reply to SALP Report

NRC SALP Report Nos. 50-334/92-99 and 50-412/92-99 dated February 1, 1994, provided the SALP Board assessment of activities at Beaver Valley Power Station, Units 1 and 2 for the period June 14, 1992 through November 27, 1993. The report identified strengths and weaknesses in the four functional areas of Operations, Engineering, Maintenance, and Plant Support. It is recognized that the strengths identified in the SALP report constitute the foundation upon which excellence is built. Beaver Valley is therefore committed to build on these strengths as well as correcting those deficiencies which detract from our overall performance.

The report identified weaknesses in the following areas:

- · Control of the Motor Operated Valve (MOV) Program
- · Erosion/Corrosion Program
- Engineering activities related to the Unit 2 Emergency Diesel Generator (EDG) load sequencer issue
- · Maintenance tracking of preventive maintenance and calibrations
- Personnel errors resulting in plant transients, abnormal plant conditions, and degraded equipment
- · Quality Services Unit surveillances of infrequently performed activities
- Operator self-checking practices, and recognition and disposition of equipment deficiencies
- · Oversight of liquid and solid radioactive waste processing

With regard to the MOV Program, Erosion/Corrosion Program and the EDG load sequencer issue, we have already provided our actions in separate correspondence concerning these issues. In those other areas where improvements are required, we are committed to improving our overall control so that these issues will not reoccur.

Concerning human performance, emphasis on our "self-checking" programs has already increased and other steps to improve worker performance have been taken.

In addition, two review teams were created to look at both process and performance issues which may be influencing the overall performance of the Beaver Valley personnel. We have recently completed formulation of a corrective action plan to address the results of our review teams' efforts. The results of our review teams' reports and our corrective action plans will be discussed with the NRC staff during a meeting scheduled for April 29, 1994.

In the future, Beaver Valley will remain committed to achieving excellence in operations, maintenance and support activities.