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Docket No. 50-461

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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-461/94004(DRP)

Dear Mr Cook:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Messrs. P. G. Brochman, F. L. Brush, and D. V. Pickett of this office on February 23 through April 4, 1994. The inspection included a review of authorized activities for your Clinton Power Station facility. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed report.

Areas examined during the inspection are identified in the report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of a selective examination of procedures and representative records, observations of activities in progress, and interviews with personnel.

During this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements. However, as described in the enclosed inspection report, you identified this violation. Therefore, this violation will not be subject to enforcement action because your efforts in identifying and correcting the violation meet the criteria specified in Section VII.B of the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," (Enforcement Policy), 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C.

Additionally, a declining trend in the performance of maintenance activities has become apparent over the last 4 months. There have been several personnel errors over this period, none of which have led to a safety significant event. However, we are concerned that the overall trend is significant. The events appear to stem from complacency, lack of attention to detail, and communication weaknesses. We acknowledge that your management team is aware of this trend and attempting to deal with these issues; however, we urge you to take aggressive actions to arrest this declining performance.

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In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosed inspection report will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely,

Original signed by E. G. Greenman

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Enclosure: Inspection Report
No. 50-461/94004(DRP)

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