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Docket No. 50-443

Public Service Company of New Hampshire
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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: INSPECTION NO. 50-443/90-84

During the period of September 17 - 21, 1990, the NRC conducted an announced team inspection of the emergency procedures used by the operators at the Seabrook Station.

At the conclusion of the inspection, the preliminary findings were discussed with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed report. Within the context of this report, the term emergency procedures includes the Emergency Operating Procedures (EOPs), Abnormal Operating Procedures (AOPs), and all procedures directly referenced within the EOPs.

The overall assessment, by the inspection team, is that the program for the development and maintenance of symptom based Emergency Operating Procedures at the Seabrook Station is adequate. It is noted that you recently completed a review and subsequent revision of all emergency procedures. This review undoubtedly contributed to the fact that only minor problems were identified by the inspection team. Utilization of the emergency procedures by licensed operators, as witnessed during simulator observations, was also deemed acceptable.

Attachment 3 to the enclosed inspection report summarizes the weaknesses identified relative to the emergency procedures. You are requested to respond to the Attachment 3 weaknesses within sixty days of receipt of this letter, identifying actions taken or planned.

The response requested by this letter is not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

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

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Should you have any questions regarding this inspection, please contact me at 215-337-5291.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by

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Enclosure: Inspection Report No. 50-443/90-84; w/Attachments 1, 2, and 3

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