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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NOS. 50-325/90-38 AND 50-324/90-38

The NRC Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance (SALP) has been completed for your Brunswick facility. The facility was evaluated for the period September 1, 1989 through September 30, 1990. The results of the evaluation are documented in the enclosed Initial SALP Report. This report will be discussed with you at a public meeting to be held at the Brunswick Visitor's Center on December 19, 1990, at 10:00 a.m.

The performance of your Brunswick facility was evaluated in the functional areas of plant operations, radiological controls, maintenance/surveillance, emergency preparedness, security, engineering/technical support, and safety assessment/quality verification. With the exception of engineering/technical support, the assessment indicates that the overall performance of Brunswick was good and security continued to exhibit superior performance.

The implementation of Integrated Action Plan improvement programs and initiatives was recognized in nearly all the functional areas. However, preliminary improvements observed in engineering/technical support were overshadowed by initial design/implementation problems encountered during the Unit 2 recirculation pipe replacement and the unsatisfactory licensed operator requalification training program. As reflected in the SALP Board's recommendations for plant operations, engineering/technical support, and safety assessment/quality verification, the significant deficiencies revealed by NRC in the above important matters were indicative of inadequate management support and involvement at both the site and Corporate levels. Accordingly, increased management attention is warranted to bring about the desired improvements in these specific areas without neglecting improvement efforts presently underway and/or planned in other areas.

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Any comments you have concerning our evaluation of the performance of your Brunswick facility should be submitted to this office within 30 days following the date of our meeting. These comments will be considered in the development of the Final SALP Report. Your comments and a summary of our meeting will be issued as an appendix to the Final SALP Report.

Should you have any questions concerning this matter, we will be glad to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

(Original signed by SDEbnetter)

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