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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-461/90021(DRF)

Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Messrs. P. G. Brochman and F. L. Brush of this office from October 4 through November 19, 1990, of activities at Clinton Power Station, authorized by NRC Operating License No. NPF-62, and to the discussion of our findings with you and others of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

The enclosed copy of our inspection report identifies areas examined during the inspection. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of a selective examination of procedures and representative records, observat ans, and interviews with personnel.

During this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as described in the enclosed inspection report. However, because the NRC wants to encourage and support licensee's initiatives for self identification and correction of problems, the NRC will not generally issue a Notice of Violation for a violation that meets the requirements of 10 CFR 2, Appendix C, Section V.A. This is the case with the violation discussed in Paragraph 7 of the enclosed inspection report. No reply to the violation is required and we have no further questions regarding this matter at this time.

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.

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

Sincerely,

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