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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attention: Document Control Desk
Washington, DC 20555

Gentlemen:

Subject: Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station
Docket Number 50-219
10 CFR 50.44

By letter dated November 6, 1990, the NRC staff responded to GPUN's July 17, 1989 letter regarding compliance with 10 CFR 50.44 and requested that GPU Nuclear respond to the staff's letter within 60 days.

As indicated to Mr. Varga of the NRC during our telephone conversation on December 14, 1990, GPU Nuclear has reviewed the staff's letter in detail and will require additional time to develop an appropriate response.

The Safety Evaluation, Enclosure 2 of your letter, addressing NEDO-22155, represents the first time that the staff has provided a technical basis for its position that it is inappropriate to use NEDO-22155 for demonstrating compliance with 10 CFR 50.44(g). Members of our Technical Staff in concert with General Electric Company personnel are reviewing your staff's concerns. Based upon our current estimate a formal response will be submitted by May 31, 1991.

If there are any questions, please contact Mr. M. W. Laggart of my staff at (201) 316-7968.

Sincerely,

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