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Salem Generating Station

November 22, 1982

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Mr. R. C. Haynes
Regional Administrator
USNRC
Region 1
631 Park Avenue
King of Prussia, Pennsylvania 19406

Dear Mr. Haynes:

REPORTABLE OCCURRENCE 82-090/01P SALEM NO. 1 UNIT LER

This letter is to confirm our verbal report to the NRC Headquarters on Monday, November 22, 1982, advising of a potential reportable occurrence in accordance with Technical Specification Section 6.9.1.8c.

During routine refueling operations on November 21, camera scanning of removed fuel elements revealed an apparent breach of fuel cladding in Assembly D-20. The element had been in the core for 3 fuel cycles; it was in Core Location L-3 during the most recent cycle. Following completion of the inspection, the assembly was placed in Spent Fuel Pit Location E-4.

An investigation is in progress, and a detailed report will be submitted in the time period specified by the Technical Specification.

Sincerely yours,

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H. J. Midura General Manager -Salem Operations

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