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Dear Mr. Opeka:

SUBJECT: MILLSTONE COMBINED INSPECTION 50-245/94-17; 50-336/94-16;
50-423/94-15

This refers to a special safety inspection conducted by Messrs. R. Barkley and N. Blumberg of this office from March 6, 1994, through April 16, 1994, at Millstone Station in Waterford, Connecticut. Preliminary inspection findings were discussed with Mr. Harry Haynes and others of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection. Areas examined during the inspection included work and modification control, the qualification of contractor maintenance mechanics and other operational and maintenance concerns, primarily at Unit 1.

The inspectors noted minor weaknesses in the implementation of various work control and Plant Design Change Record (PDCR) procedural requirements which, while not safety significant, reflect the need for continued emphasis on procedure adherence. A violation of administrative procedures requiring the issuance of a work request prior to actually performing work was not cited since the examples noted occurred prior to the implementation of corrective actions for a recent similar violation. Also, while your efforts to resolve concerns with the qualification of contractor personnel were good, management expectations regarding the oversight of unqualified employees need to remain emphasized.

It is anticipated that this special inspection effort in these performance areas will continue for the foreseeable future. We appreciate your continued support and cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

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