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Docket No. 50-443

Mr. Ted C. Feigenbaum  
Senior Vice President and Chief Nuclear Officer  
North Atlantic Energy Service Corporation  
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Dear Mr. Feigenbaum:

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION (NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-443/94-08)

This letter transmits the report of the safety inspection findings of the resident staff at Seabrook Station for the period of April 12 through May 23, 1994. The inspection consisted of document reviews, personnel interviews, and observations of activities important to the health and safety of the public. The inspector discussed the findings with Mr. B. Drawbridge and other members of your staff after the inspection.

Overall, this inspection found that activities were conducted safely. We note that your extensive use of PRA methodology and shutdown risk reduction planning continues to provide a solid base for the defense-in-depth safety practices observed during the current refuel outage. The inspection identified one violation of regulatory requirements, which involved deficient programmatic controls in establishing the suitable training requirements and proficiency for a maintenance worker assigned to perform a procedure involving the operation of the containment personnel air-lock doors. The incorrect operation of the air-lock doors, which is a safety-related activity, resulted in equipment damage and personnel injuries. Although your event evaluation team review was generally complete, your review did not adequately develop the aspects of this event that involved problems with training, job task analysis and personnel proficiency to perform the assigned work. We do recognize, as an indication of immediate and strong management actions, the plant manager's decision to temporarily stop all physical plant work to brief all plant personnel on the significance of this event to emphasize the importance of following plant procedures.

The violation is cited in the enclosed Notice of Violation. You are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. In your response, you should document the specific actions taken and any additional actions you plan to prevent recurrence.

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In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRCs "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:  
John F. Rogge

John F. Rogge, Chief  
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Enclosures:

1. Notice of Violation
2. NRC Inspection Report No. 50-443/94-08

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