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Docket No. 50-219

GPU Nuclear Corporation
ATTN: Mr. P. B. Fiedler
Vice President and Director
Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station
P.O. Box 388
Forked River, New Jersey 08731

Gentlemen:

Subject: Inspection No. 50-219/82-24

This refers to the routine inspection conducted by J. J. Kottan of this office on September 27 - 30 and October 5 - 8, 1982, at the Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station, Forked River, New Jersey, of activities authorized by NRC License No. DPR-16 and to the discussions of our findings held by Mr. J. J. Kottan with you at the conclusion of the inspection. This also refers to the telephone conversation between Mr. R. Haynes of this office and Mr. P. Clark on October 4, 1982.

Areas examined during this inspection are described in the NRC Region I Inspection Report which is enclosed with this letter. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspector.

In addition, our Mobile Laboratory was also brought to your site and used by the inspector to make certain independent measurements. The basic purpose of these independent measurements is to verify your capability for analyzing radioactive effluents and to achieve and maintain comparable methods of analyses between your facility and the NRC. The complete data from these measurements will be reported in a subsequent inspection report.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that certain of your activities were not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements, as set forth in the Notice of Violation, enclosed herewith as Appendix A. These violations have been categorized by severity level in accordance with the NRC Enforcement policy (10 CFR 2, Appendix C) published in the Federal Register Notice (47 FR 9987) dated March 9, 1982. You are required to respond to this letter; and, in preparing your response, you should follow the instructions in Appendix A. In addition to the need for corrective action regarding these specific violations, we are concerned about the implementation of your management control systems that permitted them to occur. Consequently, in your reply, you should describe, in particular, these actions taken or planned to improve the effectiveness of your management control systems.

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The responses directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

With respect to Appendix A, we note that you have corrected Item D; and, therefore, with respect to this item in your response you need address only those actions taken or which will be taken to avoid further violations of this type and the date when full compliance will be achieved for this matter.

In addition, it is our understanding that all effluent data generated, using the improperly calibrated detector, will be reviewed and corrected as necessary. If this understanding of your planned actions is not in accordance with the actual plans and actions being implemented, please contact this office in writing within ten (10) days of your receipt of this letter.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790(a), a copy of this letter and the enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room, unless you notify this office, by telephone, within 10 days of the date of this letter and submit written application to withhold information contained therein within 30 days of the date of this letter. Such application must be consistent with the requirements of 2.790(b)(1). The telephone notification of your intent to request withholding, or any request for an extension of the 10-day period which you believe necessary, should be made to the Supervisor, Files, Mail and Records, USNRC, Region I, at (215) 337-5223.

Your cooperation with us in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

original signed by:

Thomas T. Martin, Director
Division of Engineering and Technical
Programs

Enclosures:

1. Appendix A, Notice of Violation
2. NRC Region I Inspection Report Number 82-24

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