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Mr. Thomas T. Martin, Director
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Dear Mr. Martin:

Subject: Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station
Docket No. 50-219
IE Inspection No. 82-23

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.201, the attachment to this letter provides our response to Violation A of the Notice of Violation contained in your letter of November 18, 1982. Our response to Violation B will be forwarded by January 3, 1983. An extension of response time was requested by GPU Nuclear on December 20, 1982 and granted by NRC Region I on the same day during a telecon with Mr. Todd Jackson.

If there are any questions, please contact me or Mr. Michael Laggart of my staff at (609) 971-4643.

Very truly yours,

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Attachment

cc: Mr. Ronald C. Haynes, Administrator
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Violation A

Section 4.6.B(3) of Appendix A to the Provisional Operating License No. DPR-16 requires that the environmental program described in Section B.II.6 of Amendment 65 to the Application for the Reactor Operating License shall be conducted. The sampling frequencies specified in Table B-II-1 of Amendment 65 shall be adhered to as closely as conditions permit. Table B-II-1 of Amendment 65 to the Operating License requires that airborne particulate samples be collected from five specified locations every two weeks and analyzed for gross beta activity.

Contrary to the above, as of September 17, 1982, the air particulates at Air Sampling Station No. 1 were not collected from September 6, 1982 to September 16, 1982 in that this sampler was out of service. In addition, air particulates were collected from December 6, 1981 until December 30, 1981 at Air Sampling Stations Nos. 2 and 3 and A, a period exceeding two weeks.

This is a Severity Level V.

Response:

We agree with the violation as stated.

The air sampler which was noticed to be missing from its location during the inspector's tour on September 16, 1982, had been removed earlier in the day for maintenance. It was returned to service later that same day. A job order had been initiated on September 6, 1982, when the air sampler was observed to be inoperative.

In regard to the previous occurrence in December of 1981, the sampling frequency of twelve days was exceeded at three sampling locations. The air samplers at these locations had been operable during that time.

The Environmental Controls Department, which is responsible for the Radiological Effluent Monitoring Program (REMP), interfaces with other plant departments which provide maintenance, sample handling, and analysis support. Environmental Controls has requested all cognizant departments to immediately report any deviation from sampling procedures, thereby ensuring full compliance with REMP survey performance. In addition, managerial controls within the Environmental Controls Department have been and will continue to be improved. REMP field sampling reports now provide a constant running record of REMP survey performance to assure timely accomplishment. This program is currently in effect.