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SUBJECT: NINE MILE POINT 1 HARDENED VENT INSPECTION 95-02

Dear Mr. Sylvia:

This letter transmits the results of the safety inspection conducted by Ms. Beth Korona of this office from February 13 to February 16, 1995, at Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station, Unit 1. The inspection focused on issues important to public health and safety, specifically, the modification implemented in response to NRC Generic Letter (GL) 89-16, "Installation of a Hardened Wetwell Vent." At the conclusion of the onsite inspection, the preliminary findings were discussed with Mr. R. Abbott and other members of your staff.

Our inspection found that the torus vent system was designed in accordance with the NRC-approved BWR Owners' Group guidelines and supported by a comprehensive safety evaluation. The system was also found to be appropriately installed and tested. Emergency operating procedures were available to direct the initiation of venting, and operators were found to be knowledgeable of the design and function of the system.

A controlled print was not updated and a quality record not properly maintained, but these appeared to be isolated cases and you initiated appropriate corrective actions for both. These instances had no safety impact, and meet the requirements for enforcement discretion, in accordance with NRC Enforcement Policy, Section VII.B(1).

No response to this letter is required. Your cooperation with us is appreciated, and we would be pleased to discuss our findings and conclusions.

Sincerely,

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