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Mr. James P. O'Reilly, Chief
Reactor Inspection & Enforcement Branch
Division of Compliance
U. S. Atomic Energy Commission
Washington, D. C. 20545

Re: AEC Docket Nos. 50-250 and 50-251 -
Turkey Point Units Nos. 3 and 4

Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

Pursuant to your telephone request we are pleased to forward to you this letter concerning a recent Atlanta Compliance Division report concerning the receipt of nuclear fuel at our Turkey Point Plant.

Please be advised that there was no failure of quality assurance at either the Westinghouse fuel plant or at our plant. Control rods, plugs, and fuel assemblies were placed in shipping containers at the Westinghouse plant in Columbia, South Carolina, in a manner consistent with past practice, and in accordance with routine shipping procedures. Shipping documents were completely accurate and were 100% descriptive of the contents of the containers. The shipments were checked by Florida Power & Light Company plant operating personnel, and the contents verified. Fuel assembly loading procedures are completely adequate to insure that there is a proper mating of plugs, rods, and assemblies prior to loading. Plant personnel have at all times been aware that relocations of rods and plugs would be necessary prior to loading, and procedures are in effect to carry this out.

Other fuel customers of Westinghouse (namely: Virginia Electric and Power Company, Carolina Power & Light Company, Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation, and Wisconsin Michigan Power Company/Wisconsin Electric Power Company) have received fuel elements shipped in the identical manner to those shipped to us.

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Consequently, we must vigorously object to the continued existence in your records of reports, statements, or opinions which are contrary to the above statement. To permit a report of a discrepancy or failure concerning this situation to remain on the books is an unfair and unwarranted reflection on the integrity, competence, and dedication of both our organization and that of Westinghouse, and does a disservice to the cause of safety.

We must therefore respectfully urge the removal of any reports of discrepancies concerning fuel shipments to Turkey Point from your records.

Very truly yours,

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Senior Vice President

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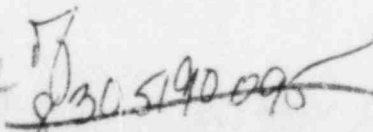
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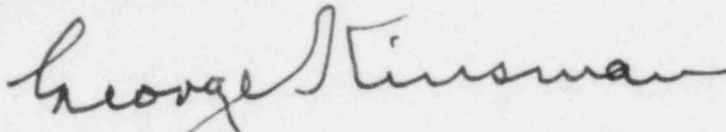
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A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "George Kinsman". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

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