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Docket No. 50-286

Power Authority of the State of New York
Indian Point 3 Nuclear Power Plant
ATTN: Mr. J. C. Brons
Resident Manager
P. O. Box 215
Buchanan, New York 10511

Gentlemen:

Subject: Inspection No. 50-286/84-04

This refers to the special inspection conducted by Mr. A. Varela of this office on February 27 - March 2, 1984 at Buchanan Nuclear Power Plant, Indian Point 3 of activities authorized by NRC License No. DPR-64 and to the discussions of our findings held by Mr. A. A. Varela with you and to a subsequent telephone discussion between Mr. A. A. Varela, Mr. R. Barton of UE&C and L. Kelley of your staff on March 6 and 8, 1984 at the conclusion of the inspection.

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.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that one of your activities was not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements, as set forth in the Notice of Violation, enclosed herewith as Appendix A. This violation has been categorized by severity level in accordance with the revised NRC Enforcement Policy (10 CFR 2, Appendix C) published in the Federal Register Notice (49 FR 8583) dated March 8, 1984. You are required to respond to this letter and in preparing your response, you should follow the instructions in Appendix A.

This violation has revealed certain inadequacies in your piping seismic analytical practices as discussed during a telephone conversation between members of our staff on April 24, 1984. In your response to the foregoing violation, address what further corrective actions are planned to assure the facility safety related piping systems have been adequately modelled and analyzed.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790(a), a copy of this letter and the enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room unless you notify this office, by telephone, within ten days of the date of this letter and submit written application to withhold information contained therein within thirty days of the

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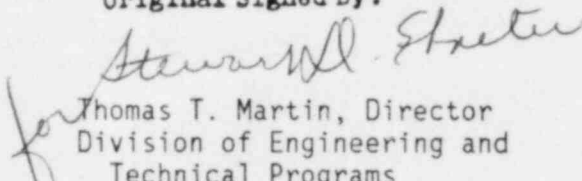
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date of this letter. Such application must be consistent with the requirements of 10 CFR 2.790(b)(1). The telephone notification of your intent to request withholding, or any request for an extension of the 10-day period which you believe necessary, should be made to the Supervisor, Files, Mail and Records, USNRC Region I, at (215) 337-5223.

Sincerely,

original Signed By:

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

Enclosure:

- 1. Appendix A, Notice of Violation
- 2. NRC Region I Inspection Report Number 50-286/84-04


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
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