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NIAGARA MOHAWK POWER CORPORATION NINE MILE POINT 1 REPORT OF FAILURE OF MAIN STEAM ISOLATION VALVES TO MEET LEAK TEST REQUIREMENTS, DATED AUGUST 1, 1972 (COPY ATTACHED)

The subject report is considered to be inadequate and unacceptable for the following reasons:

- 1. Report does not provide (describe) the results of the initial tests on the main steam isolation valves, including specifically those for the two valves that failed the leakage rate criterion, as required by Technical Specification 6.7.1.
- 2. Report does not provide an analysis and evaluation of the safety implications of the test results, as required by the Technical Specifications, paragraph 6.7.1.
- Report does not outline the corrective actions, i.e., the specific repairs, as required by the Technical Specifications, paragraph 6.7.1.
- 4. Report does not outline the measures taken or planned to prevent recurrence of the problem as required by the Technical Specifications, paragraph 6.7.1.

In our view, inclusion in the report of the statement "Details of the test, calculations and procedures are on file at Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station, Unit No. 1 and may be examined or supplied to you if required." does not exempt the licensee from complying with the existing reporting requirements. Therefore, it is requested that your office recommend to Licensing that the licensee be required to satisfy these reporting requirements. Appropriate enforcement action will be made pending the results of this memorandum. Please keep this office informed accordingly.

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