

DIVISION OF COMPLIANCE
MONTHLY REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 1971

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Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation (Nine Mile Point) - The licensee informed Region I (Newark) by telephone on November 15 that reactor power had just been increased to 1720 Mwt. Nine Mile Point is following a power ascension program recommended by the General Electric Company as a means of "pampering the fuel" in order to minimize stack release rates. The stack release rate at 1720 Mwt was 22,000 uCi/second. New fuel and reconstituted fuel was installed to replace the 39 fuel bundles identified by fuel sipping as "leakers." Based on the stated schedule, full power (1850 Mwt) was achieved on November 19 and the required turbine trip was conducted on the weekend of November 27.

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