

In Reply Refer
To: JYV2F017B

September 25, 1981

Dear

This refers to your letter to you dated June 10, 1981 which indicated that we had initiated an inquiry into your concerns regarding inadequate QC practices at Carolina Power and Light Company's Harris nuclear power plant site as documented in the enclosure to that letter.

Our inquiry regarding this matter has been completed and our findings are documented in the enclosed Statement of Concerns and Findings. This concludes the Enforcement and Investigation Staff's activities regarding this matter.

We appreciate your informing us of your concerns and feel that our actions have been responsive to those concerns; however, should you have further questions regarding this matter, please contact me. Please be assured that we will continue to perform inspections to ensure that QC procedures are properly followed at nuclear power plants to protect the public health and safety.

Sincerely,

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Regional Investigator

Enclosure: Statement of Concerns
and Findings-2F017B

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STATEMENT OF CONCERNS AND FINDINGS-2F017B

1. Concern

The QA Director has order an individual to confine his activity to areas within his discipline only. For example, if during the inspection of an electrical cable tray, a welding and/or mechanical problem is found and the electrical aspects are acceptable, he is to restrict his comments to the electrical only and make no comments on the other problems. No specific examples could be provided.

Finding

As part of the review and evaluation of NCRs, DDRs and DRs the inspector interviewed the Carolina Power and Light QA/QC supervisors responsible for mechanical, welding, and receipt inspection and civil projects.

The inspector was informed during the above interviews and by other Carolina Power and Light QA/QC personnel interviewed that if QC personnel discover questionable work practices during their routine inspections, the condition is either documented by those finding the condition or it is referred to other QA/QC personnel for evaluation as appropriate.

2. Concern

The QA Director has instructed an individual not to issue NCRs for QC inspection reports found to contain discrepancies. Instead, the individual was instructed to bring the problem to the responsible party and have it corrected. The following is an example of the above: Form TP-09, Concrete Embedded Electrical Equipment Inspection form, for pour numbers 1-ACSL-305-005 (1/14/81) and 1-ACSL-305-007 (2/4/81). No other examples could be given.

Finding

During the inspection interviews and review of documentation outlined in Concern No. 1, the inspector also addressed this matter. No information was developed which would substantiate that individuals were instructed not to issue NCRs for QC inspection reports found to contain discrepancies.