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Docket No. 50-443

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Dear Mr. Feigenbaum:

Subject: Motor-Operated Valve Inspection at Seabrook Station Inspection Report
50-443/91-81

This letter refers to the team inspection conducted on December 2-6, 1991, at the Seabrook Station to evaluate matters important to the health and safety of the public. Specifically, our inspectors reviewed the programs that you have developed in response to NRC Generic Letter 89-10, "Safety-Related Motor-Operated Valve (MOV) Testing and Surveillance." Generic Letter 89-10 provides recommendations for licensees to develop and implement programs to ensure that motor-operator switch settings (torque, torque bypass, position limit and overload) for MOVs in safety-related systems are selected, set, and maintained so that they will operate adequately during design-basis conditions.

Your initiatives in developing a multi-channel diagnostic system with stem mounted strain gauges and a training program for MOV personnel were noteworthy. Overall, the team found that your actions for the MOV program thus far were consistent with the Generic Letter recommendations. However, the team found several items that will require your attention to satisfy the letter's intent.

The results of this inspection, as detailed in the enclosed report, were discussed during the exit meeting on December 6, 1991 with the members of your staff denoted in Appendix A. At the exit meeting, your staff acknowledged the inspection findings and agreed to review the areas requiring clarifications or improvements for resolution as summarized in Table 1. Subsequent to the inspection, a telephone conversation was held with your staff on January 22, 1992, to further clarify the unresolved items documented in the report. If your understanding of the actions to enhance the MOV program as summarized in Table 1 is different, please notify me in writing as soon as possible.

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Your cooperation with us in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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