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Mr. Harry P. Salmon, Jr. Resident Manager New York Power Authority James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Flant Post Office Box 41 Lycoming, NY 13093

SUBJECT: FITZPATRICK ENGINEERING INSPECTION 95-13

Dear Mr. Salmon:

This letter refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. F. Bower of this office from July 10-28, 1995. Inspection activities were conducted at New York Power Authority's White Plains office (WPO), the NRC's Region I office, and at the James A. FitzPatrick (JAF) Nuclear Power Plant. The inspection was focused on areas important to public safety, and consisted of an independent evaluation of engineering activities for the JAF site. The preliminary inspection findings were discussed with you and other members of the New York Power Authority staff on July 28, 1995.

An orderly transition was observed from the previously centralized engineering to a de-centralized engineering organization. The technical services workload has been effectively managed, and excellent communications exist between various engineering organizations. System engineering presentations were performed well, and the risk insights from the JAF individual plant examination report have been effectively used. Management oversight and direct involvement at all levels of engineering activities were evident.

Your cooperation with us during this inspection is appreciated, no reply to this letter is required, and we would be pleased to discuss our conclusions with you.

Sincerely,

Eugene M. Kelly, Chief Systems Section Division of Reactor Safety

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