

September 18, 1995

Mr. B. Ralph Sylvia
Executive Vice President - Nuclear
Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation
Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station
P.O. Box 63
Lycoming, New York 13093

Dear Mr. Sylvia:

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION NO. 50-220/95-21 AND 50-410/95-21

This letter refers to the safety inspection conducted by Mr. James Kottan and Ms. Nancy McNamara of this office on August 21-25, 1995, of activities authorized by NRC License Nos. DPR-63 and NPF-69 at the Nine Mile Point Site, Scriba, New York, and to the discussions of our findings held by Mr. Kottan and Ms. McNamara with Mr. M. McCormick and other members of your staff.

Areas examined during this inspection are important to public health and safety and are described in the NRC Region I Inspection Report which is enclosed with this letter. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspector.

In addition, our Mobile Laboratory was brought to your site and used by the inspector to make certain independent measurements. The basic purpose of these independent measurements is to verify your capability for analyzing radioactive effluents, and to achieve and maintain comparable methods of analyses between your facility and the NRC. The data from these measurements are included in this report with the exception of the wet radiochemistry results, which will be documented in a subsequent inspection report.

Within the scope of this inspection, you had in place effective programs for measuring radioactivity in process and effluent samples. No violations of regulatory requirements were observed and no response to this letter is required.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:
Robert J. Bores

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