Docket Nos. 50-272 50-311

License Nos. DPR-70 DPR-75

Public Service Electric and Gas Company ATTN: Mr. Richard A. Uderitz Vice President - Nuclear P. O. Box 236 Hancock's Bridge, New Jersey 08038

Gentlemen:

Subject: Inspection Nos. 50-272/84-16 & 50-311/84-16

This refers to the special safety inspection conducted by Mr. T. L. Harpster of this office on April 30 - May 4, 1984, May 8 - 10, 1984, and May 18, 1984, of activities authorized by NRC License Nos. DPR-70, DPR-75 and to the discussions of our findings held by Mr. Harpster with Mr. J. Zupko and others of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during this inspection 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.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that certain of your activities were not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements, as set forth in the Notice of Violation, enclosed herewith as Appendix A. This violation has been categorized by severity level in accordance with the revised NRC Enforcement Policy (10 CFR 2, Appendix C) published in the Federal Register Notice (49 FR 8583) dated March 8, 1984. You are required to respond to this letter and in preparing your response, you should follow the instructions in Appendix A. In addition to the need for corrective action regarding this specific violation, we have two additional concerns: (1) the lack of aggressive management actions to evaluate the effectiveness of your program to correct discrepancies in the Master Equipment List, and (2) the adequacy of training for system sponsor engineers. Consequently, in your reply, you should describe in particular, those actions taken or planned to improve the effectiveness of your management control systems, and those actions taken or planned to improve the knowledge of the system sponsor engineers.

Item A in the Notice of Violation enclosed with this letter was identified during a previous inspection of your license activities on March 2-6, 1983 and was documented in the enclosure to our letter dated May 5, 1983. Your letters to this office dated March 8, 14 and April 7, 8, 1983 describe the corrective actions taken and planned to assure that the Master Equipment List would provide a valid controlled document for use in the classification of work orders and procurement documents. From our April 30 - May 18, 1984 inspection it appears that the stated corrective actions were not effective since this item has not been fully corrected. In your response to this letter, you should give particular attention to those actions taken or planned to ensure that identified items of noncompliance will be completely corrected and will not recur.

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In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790(a), a copy of this letter and the enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room unless you notify this office, by telephone, within ten days of the date of this letter and submit written application to withhold information contained therein within thirty days of the date of this letter. Such application must be consistent with the requirements of 2.790(b)(1). The telephone notification of your intent to request withholding, or any request for an extension of the 10-day period which you believe necessary, should be made to the Supervisor, Files, Mail and Records, USNRC Region I, at (215) 337-5223.

The responses directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

Your cooperation with us in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by

Thomas T. Martin, Director Division of Engineering and Technical Programs

Enclosures:

1. Appendix A, Notice of Violation

2. Combined NRC Region I Inspection Report Number

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