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The Honorable William Carney
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Carney:

Thank you for your June 22, 1984 letter to Chairman Palladino, asking for information related to a number of safety questions that had been raised by one of your constituents, Mr. John W. Huber, regarding the Shoreham Nuclear Power Station. These concerns were highlighted in a list dated March 9, 1983, compiled by Mr. Huber. The issues identified by this list encompassed the design, construction and testing of the Shoreham Nuclear Power Station over a period of the past ten years. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff considered these concerns as serious allegations that merited detailed examination. Consequently, we made several initial phone contacts, followed by a meeting with Mr. Huber, and then conducted a number of on-site inspections to investigate the facts associated with his concerns.

The concerns, originally numbered as 37 by Mr. Huber's March 9, 1983 listing, were formally provided to the NRC in an April 21, 1983 letter, and later discussed with Mr. Huber and his attorney in a meeting held at Mr. Huber's request on July 13, 1983, at the NRC Region I Office in King of Prussia, Pennsylvania. While we have categorized and refer to these as 40 distinct allegations, over 100 different assertions were evaluated following the July 13th meeting. These allegations were then investigated as part of six separate inspections at the Shoreham site during the period August through December, 1983. Over 200 hours were spent on-site inspecting, and a comparable amount of time was spent in the NRC's Region I Office to define and prioritize the inspection effort, and to evaluate the inspection results.

To date, five of these inspections and their results have been documented in published reports. During the July 13th meeting, Mr. Huber's attorney, Robert C. Gottlieb, asked us to forward any written report which the NRC intended to issue, to him. We have done this as our reports have been issued. The first report was issued August 30, 1983 and three other reports were issued in December, 1983. The most recent report was issued on July 11, 1984, and was provided to Mr. Gottlieb on July 18, 1984. This completed our documentation of 22 allegations. As a matter of interest, these reports are also made available in the NRC Local Public Document Room which is located at the Wading River High School on Route 25A near the Shoreham Station.

After these concerns were more fully developed in our discussions with Mr. Huber, the Atomic Safety and Licensing Board (ASLB) for Shoreham, as well as all parties involved in the ASLB proceedings, were informed and then periodically apprised of our progress in resolving the concerns. The final report, which will cover the balance of Mr. Huber's allegations, is currently in preparation. The NRC Region I Office expects to issue this report in August 1984.

In summary, the issuance of a final report will complete the documentation of the NRC inspection findings. Our preliminary review of the findings leads us to conclude, at this time, that none of Mr. Huber's allegations were found to involve violations of NRC regulations or would be indicative of any public health and safety problems.

I hope that this additional information is responsive to your request regarding Mr. Huber's inquiry as to the current status of his list of concerns. If I may be of further help or if you would like copies of any or all of these inspection reports, please contact me.

Sincerely,

(Signed) William J. Dircks

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