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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION NO. 50-184/95-03

Dear Dr. Rowe:

This letter refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. Thomas Dragoun of this office and Mr. Marvin Mendonca of the Non-Power Reactors and Decommissioning Project Directorate in the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR) from September 25, through October 5, 1995. The inspection was of activities authorized by NRC License No. TR-5 at the National Institute of Standards and Technology. During the inspection, the inspectors were accompanied by representatives from the nuclear regulatory agencies of the Russian Republic and the Ukraine in accordance with an agreement reached under the Lisbon Initiatives on Nuclear Safety Assurance.

Areas examined in this inspection are described in the NRC 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.

Within the scope of this inspection, it was determined that your programs consistently exceed regulatory requirements. The international representatives also commented that members of the staff displayed exceptional knowledge regarding reactor equipment status. No safety concerns or violations of regulatory requirements were observed and no response to this letter is required.

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Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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