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Dear Mr. Opeka:

Subject: Millstone Unit 3 Inspection 91-26

This refers to your letter dated February 27, 1992, in response to our letter dated January 10, 1992.

Thank you for informing us of the corrective and preventive actions documented in your letter. Your efforts to communicate and share information across all four nuclear units will be examined during future inspections of your licensed programs at Millstone and Haddam Neck.

Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By

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- References:
- (1) C. W. Hehl letter to J. F. Opeka, "Millstone 3 Inspection Report 91-16," dated November 1, 1991.
 - (2) J. F. Opeka letter to U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, "Reply to Inspection Report 91-26," dated December 20, 1991.

Gentlemen:

Haddam Neck Plant

Applicability of Corrective Actions Taken at Millstone Unit No. 3 to
the Haddam Neck Plant--Inspection Report 50-423/91-26

In a letter dated November 1, 1991 (Reference (1)), the NRC Staff transmitted the results of an inspection conducted on August 1 through September 23, 1991, at Millstone Unit No. 3. In that letter, the NRC Staff noted repetitive equipment problems involving the air compressors for the emergency diesel generator air receivers and DC grounds caused by wetting of the hypochlorite injection valve in the service water system at Millstone Unit No. 3. The NRC Staff requested that we address the actions we intend to take to prevent additional repetitive personnel and hardware problems at Millstone Unit No. 3 and application of corrective actions regarding these issues at our other units. Specific actions taken to correct the repetitive problems at Millstone Unit No. 3 and application of these corrective actions regarding these issues at the other two Millstone units were provided in Reference (2). In addition, we also stated that the application of corrective actions to the Haddam Neck Plant will be addressed in a separate letter by the end of February 1992.

The specific issue related to the Millstone Unit No. 3 emergency diesel generator starting air compressor failures has been shared with the Haddam Neck Plant. Based on the information available, we have determined that the Haddam Neck Plant has not experienced a similar high failure rate for the diesel generator air compressors. The other issue regarding the DC ground problem has also been reviewed with the Haddam Neck Plant. At the Haddam Neck Plant, there are no other similar locations containing vital electrical equipment which have experienced repetitive DC ground problems. The Haddam Neck Plant also has several flooding alarms in areas where there is a leakage potential which could otherwise go undetected.

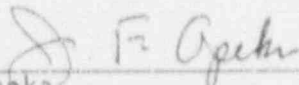
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If you have any questions regarding the information contained in this letter, please contact us.

Very truly yours,

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