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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION (NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-382/92-03)

This refers to the inspection conducted by Messrs. W. F. Smith, I. Barnes, S. D. Butler, M. E. Murphy, and D. R. Hunter of this office during the period February 2 through March 14, 1992. The inspection included a review of activities authorized for your Waterford Steam Electric Station, Unit 3, facility. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed report.

Areas examined during the inspection are identified in the report. The areas included plant status, followup, onsite response to events, monthly maintenance observation, bimonthly surveillance observation, operational safety verification, and reliable decay heat removal during outages. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examination of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations of the activities in progress.

Based on the results of this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice). We are concerned about the first violation because it reflected inadequate technical reviews of licensee event reports, which are required to be complete and accurate to accomplish their intended use in the interest of safety. This was the third licensee event report in the past year that had to be revised due to inaccurate or incomplete reporting identified by the resident inspectors. We are concerned about the second violation because inspection requirements in an instruction were deleted by a quality assurance examiner without proper review and approval.

Your staff identified a violation of NRC requirements involving operation of the safety injection tanks. This violation will not be subject to enforcement action because their efforts in identifying and correcting the violation meet the criteria specified in Section VII of the Enforcement Policy.

We have identified two unresolved items in this report. The first involved resolution of the use of helical coil threaded inserts on your steam generator primary manways, while not specifically allowed by the ASME Code. The second was pending an investigation of mispositioned valves on Emergency Diesel

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Generator A and their potential impact on operability. An unresolved item is a matter about which more information is required in order to ascertain whether it is an acceptable item, a deviation, or a violation.

We have also examined actions you have taken with regard to previously identified inspection findings. The status of these items is identified in paragraph 3 of the enclosed report.

You are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. In your response, you should document the specific actions taken and any additional actions you plan to prevent recurrence. After reviewing your response to this Notice, including your proposed corrective actions and the results of future inspections, the NRC will determine whether further NRC enforcement is necessary to ensure compliance with NRC regulatory requirements.

In accordance with 10 CFR Part 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

The response directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice is 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.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures:

1. Appendix A - Notice of Violation
2. Appendix B - NRC Inspection Report
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