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Docket No. 50-410

Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation  
ATTN: Mr. B. G. Hooten  
Executive Director  
Nuclear Operations  
300 Erie Boulevard, West  
Syracuse, New York 13202

Gentlemen:

Subject: Inspection No. 50-410/84-08

This refers to the independent measurements inspection conducted by Mr. Harry W. Kerch of this office on April 30 - May 25, 1984, at Nine Mile Point Nuclear Power Station, Unit No. 2, at Scriba, New York, of activities authorized by NRC License No. CPPR-112 and to the discussions of our findings held by Mr. Kerch with Mr. M. Burchell, Mr. W. Morrison, and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during this inspection included independent nondestructive examinations of safety related materials and components and a review of the associated quality records.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that some 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. These violations have 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. Two of these violations are repetitive, or similar in nature, to issues previously identified by the NRC. These nonconforming conditions were reinspected by your staff in response to the NRC Construction Assessment Team Inspection findings. The failure of your staff to detect these conditions during the reinspection/reinterpretation indicates that your corrective actions may not have been effective. In your response to the Notice of Violation, address what additional steps you have taken or plan to take to assure that previous corrective actions were effective. You are required to respond to this letter and in preparing your response, you should follow the instructions in Appendix A.

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.

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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:

*Lee H. Betterhausen*

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

Enclosures:

- 1. Appendix A, Notice of Violation
- 2. NRC Region I Inspection Report Number 50-410/84-08

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