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Dear Mr. Fiedler:

SUBJECT: FIRE PROTECTION SCHEDULAR EXEMPTION

Re: Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station

Mr. M. Laggart of your staff has advised the Oyster Creek licensing project manager of a discrepancy in the schedular exemption for fire protection issued to GPU on August 23, 1984. In the GPU submittal dated July 11, 1984, it was stated that for fire areas FA-14 (circulating water intake) a continuous fire watch will be provided consisting of security guards, and that in addition the area would be monitored by a TV camera 24 hours a day. In the same submittal GPU committed to providing a continuous fire watch for fire areas FZ-1D (reactor building, 51-foot level), FZ-11C (switch gear room, west end of turbine building, mezzanime level), and FZ-11B (turbine lube oil storage, pumping and purification area). In these three areas GPU did not commit to using a security guard as the fire watch, or that the areas would be monitored by TV cameras. However, in the exemption we inadvertently placed a statement that relates the security guards and TV cameras to all four areas.

The requirements per Section 3.12 (Fire Protection) of the Technical Specification "A" to the Oyster Creek license requires only that a continuous fire watch be established when the appropriate fire protection feature for the area is inoperable. Therefore, for clarification purposes, the staff considers that a continuous qualified fire watch in these areas meets the required compensatory measures of the exemption. This may be, but need not be, security personnel and the TV monitoring is not a part of the requirement. We regret any inconvenience this discrepancy may have caused you.

Sincerely,

Original signed by

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