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Docket Nos. 50-387
50-388

Pennsylvania Power & Light Company
ATTN: Mr. Bruce D. Kenyon
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Nuclear Operations
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Gentlemen:

Subject: Inspection Nos. 50-387/84-31; 50-388/84-37

This refers to an inspection conducted by a representative of the State of Washington, Department of Social and Health Services, on June 27, 1984, of a shipment of radioactive waste from the Susquehanna Nuclear Generating Station. The shipment was inspected upon its arrival at the U. S. Ecology, Incorporated burial site at Richland, Washington.

Areas examined during the inspection are described in a report by a representative of the State of Washington, Department of Social and Health Services which is attached to the NRC Region I Inspection Report enclosed with this letter. The inspection consisted of a review of shipping papers, placarding, marking and labeling, radiation measurements, selective contamination surveys, and examination of the packages and the tractor-trailer.

Based on the results of the inspection, it appears that one of your activities was not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements, as set forth in the Notice of Violation, enclosed herewith as Appendix A. This violation has been categorized by severity level in accordance with the NRC Enforcement Policy (10 CFR 2, Appendix C) published in the Federal Register Notice (49 FR 8583) dated March 8, 1984. You are required to respond to this letter and in preparing your response, you should follow the instructions in Appendix A.

The violation for which you have been cited has already been the subject of enforcement action by the State of Washington. On July 3, 1984, the State of Washington issued a warning communication. The State also strongly recommended that corrective action be taken to assure that your future activities will be in compliance with all applicable state and federal regulations.

In view of the circumstances surrounding this matter, we have exercised our discretion under the NRC Enforcement Policy and have chosen to issue at this time the enclosed Notice of Violation. After reviewing your response to this Notice of Violation and your proposed corrective actions, the NRC will determine whether further action is necessary in order to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements.

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,

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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.

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:

M. SHANBARY

for Thomas T. Martin, Director
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Enclosures:

1. Appendix A, Notice of Violation
2. Combined NRC Region I Inspection Report Numbers 50-387/84-31; 50-388/84-37

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