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Docket/License: 50-334/DPR-66

Duquesne Light Company  
ATTN: Mr. J. J. Carey  
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Gentlemen:

Subject: Inspection 50-334/85-03

This refers to the special resident safety inspection conducted by Messrs. W. Trostoski and D. Johnson of this office on January 8-15, 1985, at the Beaver Valley Power Station, Unit 1, Shippingport, Pennsylvania of activities authorized by NRC License No. DPR-66 and to the discussions of our findings held by Messrs. L. Tripp, W. Trostoski, and D. Johnson with Messrs. J. Sieber, T. Jones, and W. Lacey of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during this inspection are described in the NRC Region I inspection report which is enclosed with this letter. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspectors.

We are concerned about the two operating events described in the report involving plant heatup without establishing containment integrity identified by the resident inspectors and the incorrect pressurizer level trip settings identified by your staff. You will be contacted at a later date concerning an Enforcement Conference to discuss those matters. As that conference, we also wish to discuss two previous operating events described in routine resident safety Inspection Report 84-33 involving excessive boron dilution on December 15, 1984, and an unnecessary challenge of the main steam safety valves on December 31, 1984.

We have noted that these events have occurred during plant startup activities from the fourth refueling outage, and are concerned that the same level of management control exercised during normal plant operation had not been achieved during this period of accelerated activity. Since we view this matter as serious, you should be prepared to discuss how each item occurred under your current management control system and those corrective actions taken and planned to prevent recurrence. We are considering appropriate enforcement actions for the apparent violations. These actions will be transmitted to you by letter at a later time.

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No reply to this letter is required. Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,

**Original Signed By:**

Richard W. Starostecki, Director  
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Enclosure: NRC Region I Inspection Report  
50-334/85-03

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