Docket No. 50-443

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Dear Mr. Feigenbaum:

Subject: Inspection No. 50-443/92-14

An inspection of the radiological controls program at Seabrook Station was conducted by S. Sherbini on June 15-19, 1992. Areas inspected are important to health and safety and included a review of the procedures, calibration, quality assurance and records connected with the instrumentation program, including laboratory and survey instruments, the whole body counting facility, and the personnel dosimetry programs. The respirator maintenance and fit testing programs also were reviewed. Details of the inspection are described in the enclosed inspection report.

The areas reviewed were all found to be well managed and operated efficiently and in accordance with current technical guidelines. The staff responsible for these areas were also found to be dedicated and well qualified. The procedures were found to be generally adequate, but there were several weaknesses identified. These weaknesses were mainly omission of important information needed to properly implement the procedures, such as failure to specify acceptance criteria for some quality control checks, or to clearly specify the nature of the sources to be used in various calibration or source check applications.

Nevertheless, these procedural weaknesses did not diminish from the quality of the programs because they were compensated for by the staff's technical competence, their training, and their experience in implementing the procedures.

Within the scope of this inspection, no violations were identified and no response to this letter is required.

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Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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NRC Inspection Report No. 50-443/92-14

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