Docket No. 51-219

MEMORANDUM FOR: F. L. Jordan, Assistant Director for Technical Programs.

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PROV. E. C. McCabe, Jr., Chief, Peactor Projects Section No. 2,

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SUBJECT: OYSTER CREEK OFFGAS RELEASES (AITS F01004778)

Pepresentative offgas levels at the Oyster Creek nuclear powerplant exceed 200,000 microcuries per second at the air ejectors and 30,000 microcuries per second at the stack. Those values are about one order of magnitude above those for other RI PWR's. The cause appears to be fuel problems and the argumented offgas system not being in operation. A facility refueling shutdown is planned for September 1979, and there is no assurance that either the offgas system or the fuel problems will be resolved by the end of that outage.

It is hereby recommended that this licensee be required to specifically address to NRR, fuel quality measures to be taken during the forthcoming refueling outage, and that a termination date of December 31, 1979 be established for continued operation at power without the augmented offgas system becoming operational.

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July 10, 1979

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Mr. I. R. Finfrock, Jr. Vice President - Generation Jersey Central Power & Light Company Madison Avenue at Punch Bowi Road Morristown, New Jersey 07960

Dear Mr. Finfrock:

RE: SEP TOPIC IV-1.A, OPERATION WITH LESS THAN ALL LOOPS IN SERVICE

By letter dated May 30, 1979, we issued Amendment No. 35 to License No. DPR-16 for the Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station. Please note that our supporting Safety Evaluation for Amendment No. 35 supersedes the evaluation of Topic IV-1.A issued by our letter dated February 8, 1979, and completes this topic. This evaluation will be used as input to the integrated review of Oyster Creek.

Sincerely,

Dennis L. Ziemann, Chief

Operating Reactors Branch #2 Division of Operating Reactors

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Jersey Central Power and Light Company ATTN: Mr. D. Ross Manager, Nuclear Generation Madison Avenue at Punch Bowl Road Morristown, New Jersey 07980

Gentlemen:

Subject: Meeting Confirmation

This letter confirms the scheduling of a meeting requested by your office in a telephone conversation between yourself and Mr. J. Allan on June 26, 1979, concerning activities authorized by NRC License No. DPR-16. The meeting will be held at this office on July 6, 1979 to discuss your planned improvements in Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station's radiation protection program.

No reply to this letter is required; however, should you have any questions concerning this meeting, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

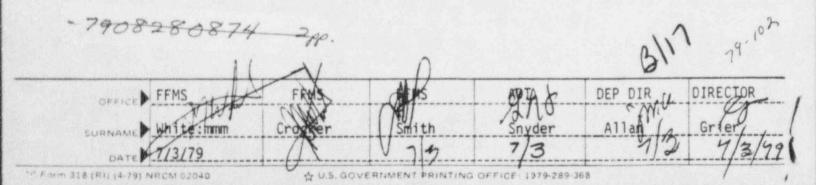
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Docket No. 50-363

Mr. Steven P. Russo 248 Washington Street P.O. Box 1060 Toms River, New Jersey 08753

Dear Mr. Russo:

SUBJECT: FORKED RIVER NUCLEAR STATION - INFORMATION SERVICE LIST

You have been receiving copies of correspondence to the Jersey Central Power and Light Company, relating to the construction permit for the Forked River Nuclear Station, that originates in the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Division of Project Management and Division of Site Safety and Environmental Analysis.

Documents filed by the licensee and correspondence from us regarding the construction and operation of the facility have been and will continue to be made available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, 1717 is Street, NW, Washington, DC 20655 and at the Ocean County Library, Brick Township Branch, Brick Town, New Jersey 08723. In addition the Commission's Office of Inspection and Enforcement will issue public announcements of any significant events that might occur with respect to the facility.

Since the construction permit proceeding for the Forked River facility was completed in 1973 and in light of the availability of documents in the public document rooms, we will discontinue sending you copies of our correspondence to the Jersey Central Power and Light Company. We hope that we have been helpful over the years and that the above sources of information will adequately serve your future needs.

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