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Jersey Camtral Fower and Light Company Attention: Mr. Ivan E. Finfrock Vice President of Fower Cameration Madison Avanue at Funch Bowl Road Morristown, New Jersey 07906

Gentlemen:

This letter refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. Cantrell of this office on August 3 and 6 at Oyster Creek, Forked River, New Jersey of activities authorized by AEC License No. BFR-16, and to the discussions of our findings held by Mr. Cantrell and Mr. Carroll of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during this inspection are described in the Regulatory Operations Inspection Report which is enclosed with this letter. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with plant personnel and observations by the inspector.

During this inspection, it was found that one of your activities appeared to be in violation of an AEC requirement. The item and reference to the pertinent fequirement are listed in the enclosure to this letter. This letter constitutes a notice sent to you pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.201 of the AEC's "Rules of Practice", Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. Section 2.201 requires you to submit to this office within 20 days of your receipt of this notice a written statement of explanation in reply, including: (1) corrective steps which have been or will be taken by you, and the results achieved; (2) corrective steps which will be taken to svoid further violations; and (3) the date when full compliance will be achieved. We note that your letter to the Directores f Licensing dated August 6, 1973 covered parts (1) and (3) of the required reply. Accordingly, in your reply to this notice, you need only describe the corrective steps which will be taken to avoid further violations.

In addition to the need for corrective action regarding the above deficiency, we remain concerned about the implementation of your management control systems that paraitted this serious deficiency to occur. As you are aware, Regulatory Operations issued an immediate-release bulletin to the reactor community directing all operating nuclear power please to conduct prempt examinations of these suppressors. This immediate-release bulletin was issued shortly after we became aware of this problem and sixty days after your unreported discovery of

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this perious problem. Compaquently, in your reply, yo in particular, those actions taken or plasmed to impro of your consympt control systems that permitted this

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the ARC's "Rule of Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this elased inspection report will be placed in the AFC's 1 Boom. If this report metrins may indomnation that yo tractors) believe to be preprietary, it is necessary 1 written appliestion within 20 days to this office to : formation from public disclosure. Any such applicati full statement of reasons on the basis of which it is information is proprietary, and should be prepared 20 information identified in the application is contains part of the document. If we do not hear from you in the specified period, the report will be placed in th Room.

Should you have any questions concerning this inspect pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincere!

Jacobs P. Director

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1. Description of Violation

BC Inspection Report No. 50-219/73-12
cc: Mr. J. T. Carroll, Plant Superintendent

bcc: RO Chief, FS&EB RO: 10 (5) DL (4) DR Central Files RS (3) PDR Local PDR. RO Files NSIC DTIE State of Mew Jersey

