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Jersey Central Power and Light Company
Attention: Mr. R. H. Sims,
Vice President
Madison Avenue at Punch Bowl Road
Morristown, New Jersey 07960

Docket No. 50-219

Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. Cantrell of this office on March 13, 1973, at Oyster Creek, Forked River, New Jersey, of activities authorized by AEC License No. DPR-16 and to the discussions of our findings held by Mr. Cantrell with Mr. McCluskey at the conclusion of the inspection, and to subsequent telephone discussions between Mr. McCluskey and Mr. Cantrell on March 14 - 15, 1973, and Mr. Ross and Mr. Capton on March 15 - 16, 1973.

Areas examined during this inspection included: the circumstances relating to the transient associated with starting a cold recirculation loop on March 10, 1973; the procedures for starting a recirculation loop; the stack release rate for the period January 17 through March 12, 1973; and the Shift Foreman's Log and the Control Room Log for the period March 9 - 10, 1973. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspector.

During this inspection, it was found that certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of AEC requirements. The items and references to the pertinent requirements 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

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results achieved; (2) corrective steps which will be taken to avoid further violations; and (3) the date when full compliance will be achieved. In addition to the need for corrective action regarding these specific deficiencies, we are concerned about the implementation of your management control system that permitted these deficiencies to occur. Consequently, in your reply, you should describe in particular, those actions taken or planned to improve the effectiveness of your management control system.

During our review of the Control Room Log and the Shift Foreman's Log, it was noted that there was no reference to indicate that abnormalities resulted from starting the B recirculation pump on March 10, 1973, as discussed in Item 1 of the enclosure. The subject of information recording requirements with respect to the Shift Foreman's Log and the Control Room Log was discussed with your representatives during the exit interviews following the inspections conducted on February 23 - 25 and 29 and March 1, 1972 and July 5 - 7, 10, 12 - 14, 1972. At that time, your representatives agreed that in order for their logs to serve as a record of plant operation, more detailed information should be provided concerning abnormal conditions and abnormal occurrences. In your reply to this letter, please describe the steps you have taken, or will take, to assure that an accurate and complete record is maintained of plant operations.

Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

James P. O'Reilly
Director

Enclosure:
Description of Violations

cc: Mr. T. J. McCluskey, Station Superintendent

bcc: RO Chief, Reactor Testing & Operations Branch, HQ
RO:HQ (4)
Directorate of Licensing (4)
DR Central Files
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Local PDR
NSIC
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State of New Jersey