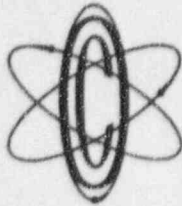


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JERSEY CENTRAL POWER & LIGHT COMPANY

NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION

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March 24, 1975

Mr. James P. O'Reilly, Director
Office of Inspection and Enforcement, Region I
United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
631 Park Avenue
King of Prussia, PA 19406

Subject: Oyster Creek Station
Docket No. 50-219
I&E Inspection Report No. 50-219/75/01

Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

This letter is in reply to your letter of February 28, 1975 to Mr. Ivan R. Finrock, Jr. regarding the 75-01 Inspection conducted by Mr. Greenman on January 14, 15, 17, and 20, 1975 at the Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station. As per your instructions, this response addresses Item I of the enclosure to your letter.

- (A) No capacity plate on the five (5) ton hook.
- (B) Cab access ladder does not comply with OSHA Standards.
- (C) Cab railing does not comply with OSHA Standards.

The five (5) ton hook is labeled as required by OSHA Standards. The crane manufacturer, Whiting Corporation, was contacted concerning Items B and C. Although our crane does not comply with OSHA Standards with respect to cab access ladder and cab railing, they felt that it is of equivalent safety and strength. Nevertheless, we plan to modify our crane access ladder and railing so that they comply with OSHA Standards. Modifications should be complete by October 1, 1975.

Very truly yours,

Donald A. Ross
Manager, Generating Stations - Nuclear

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March 18, 1975

Jersey Central Power & Light Co.
501 Grand Avenue
Asbury Park, N.J. 07712

Att: Mr. Henry K. Mayer,
Public Relations Director

Gentlemen:

We have a summer home at 35 Capstan Road, Waretown, (Sands Point), N.J. This home is situated on the first lagoon off Oyster Creek from Route 9. This home was purchased in 1957. We then had Cedar water. We could swim in the lagoon. We had no trouble with worms in the pilings, bulkheads or boats.

Since your plant has been opened we can no longer swim in the lagoon. It is generally covered with brown foam. Also, the water is too warm in the summer for swimming. We have to take the boat out in the Bay in order to swim. Also, we have the worry of worms getting into the boat. We have fog a lot of mornings from the warm water and cold air.

Last year we had to replace the bulkhead on our property. It cost \$2200.00. We still have about 5 pilings to which the boardwalk is connected to replace. We could not afford to have the work done at one time.

The discharge from the plant has certainly done a lot of damage to the homes on the lagoons and to the boats parked in the lagoons. This use to be a beautiful place to live, but no more.

What is going to happen when you put another plant in and discharge more waste and hot water into the creek. We think something should be done to correct this situation and to reimburse us home owners for the damage to our property.

Sincerely,

CC Commissioner David Bardine, State of New Jersey
Environmental Commission, Box 1390, Trenton, N.J. 08625

CC Mr. George Poerner, Ocean Township Mayor
Waretown, N.J.

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JCP&L to Buy Creek Marinas

By PAULETTE BROWNE
Staff Writer

LACEY TWP. - A running legal battle between Jersey Central Power and Light Co. and three Oyster Creek marinas has apparently been settled with the \$2 million sale of these marinas to the utility company.

Samuel Laird, spokesman for JCP&L, said Sunday the company is finalizing the sale with the owners of the Sands Point Marina, Oyster Creek Marina, and Briarwood Yacht Basin, all located on Oyster Creek. He said sale discussions started last week and are expected to be completed early this week.

The owners of the three marinas filed suit against JCP&L in 1972, charging that the Oyster Creek nuclear generating plant was responsible for bringing slipworms into Oyster Creek and the Forged River, both formerly fresh water estuaries.

The suit claimed that the plant pumps water with enough force to draw in salt water from Barnegat Bay. The slipworms have been breeding within the wood pilings and bulkheads of the marinas.

Laird said that the utility intends to remove the wood pilings and bulkheading as soon as possible, and then discuss with state officials any restoration needed. He said these discussions would include the state Department of Environmental Protection, but would not give any details about the plans.

The removal of the wood structures along the creek is expected to eliminate the slipworm problem the area has experienced in past years.

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Commission report last December pointed to JCP&L's Oyster Creek nuclear generating plant as the cause of the slipworm problem. The study said unusually high water tem-

peratures resulting from the plant's hot water discharge canal made it possible for the worms to breed in the wooden bulkheads and

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pilings.

The AEC gave the utility the option to either replace the wood structures, or to eliminate the structures altogether. The order is subject to a public hearing, scheduled for the spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Hank Kurtz, owners of the Oyster Creek Marina, said they plan to move to Florida, but haven't decided whether to open another marina. Mrs. Kurtz said the agreement between the marinas and the utility gives them until June 1 to remove the boats from the marinas, and until July 1 to completely abandon the property.

Mrs. Kurtz said approximately 400 boats are stored in the three marinas every year, and that the owners of these boats will have to find another area for storage. The only marina left on Oyster Creek, the Barnegat Marine Center, will remain in operation.

Mrs. Trudy Baumgardt, who owns the Sands Point Marina with her husband Edward, said "it happened so fast we really don't know what we're doing."

"It's a very difficult thing to say if we're satisfied with the settlement," she said. "I guess we all knew that this

