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SUBJECT: NRC INTEGRATED INSPECTION REPORT 50-334/96-03 AND 50-412/96-03

Dear Mr. Cross:

This report transmits the findings of all the safety inspections conducted by NRC inspectors at the Beaver Valley Power Station from February 13 to March 25, 1996 and the first week of the operations staffing inspection which began on January 29, 1996. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with T. P. Noonan and other members of your staff. We are providing one report for all the inspections conducted during this period in order to better integrate our inspection findings into a consistent regulatory message and more clearly communicate how these findings may reflect a change in your performance.

Areas examined during the inspection are identified in the report. The inspection consisted of document reviews, interviews, and observation of activities important to public health and safety. The purpose of the inspection was to determine whether activities authorized by the license were conducted safely and in accordance with NRC requirements.

Our inspectors found that, overall, the activities observed were effective in assuring the safe operation of the Beaver Valley Power Station. However, we are concerned with the length of time that you plan to operate with only four qualified individuals as shift technical advisors (STAs). We expect that your staff will minimize the time that only four STAs are performing the shift STA function.

We continue to be concerned with the limited number of individuals actively performing senior reactor operator (SRO) functions due to the workload this places on these individuals. The individuals actively performing the SRO functions were performing appropriately and as such, your staffing levels are not an immediate safety concern. We acknowledge your plans to develop a substantial number of additional SROs.

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No reply to this letter is necessary. Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,

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