

December 8, 1995

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SUBJECT: SALP REPORT FOR V. C. SUMMER NUCLEAR STATION
(NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-395/95-99)

Dear Mr. Taylor:

This refers to the NRC's Systematic Assessment of Licensee Performance (SALP) report for your Summer facility which was sent to you on March 17, 1995; our meeting on March 24, 1995, at which we discussed the report; and your written comments dated May 26, 1995. We appreciate your efforts in evaluating our SALP report and providing comments on the findings of the SALP Board.

In your communication of May 26, 1995, you expressed concerns that the SALP Board's assessment of the Engineering functional area may not have given adequate consideration to the successful completion of the steam generator project (SGP) or the magnitude of overall engineering effort during the SALP cycle. In addition to the submittal, your staff provided additional insights at a presentation in Region II on July 18, 1995. This feedback was considered by the SALP Board when it reconvened to review the SALP results. It was the consensus of the Board members that adequate consideration was given to the SGP and was appropriately weighted in considering the final rating. Therefore, the SALP narrative and rating will remain unchanged.

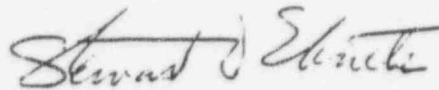
It is essential that the Agency receive your views when they are not in agreement with ours. I appreciate the effort you and your staff exerted in compiling the additional information, and though it did not result in a change in this instance, the process of licensee challenge and subsequent NRC review of our assessment procedures improves NRC internal procedures which, in the case of SALP, do have an element of subjectiveness to them.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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No reply to this letter is required; however, should you have any questions, I would be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,



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