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Docket No. 50-354

Mr. Steven E. Miltenberger Vice President and Chief Nuclear Officer Public Service Electric & Gas Company Post Office Box 236 Hancocks Bridge, New Jersey 08038

Dear Mr. Miltenberger:

SUBJECT: INSPECTION REPORT 50-354/92-19, INSERVICE INSPECTION OF SNUBBERS

This letter refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. J. Carrasco of this office on November 4-10, 1992, at the Hope Creek Generating Station. The inspector discussed the results of the inspection with Mr. J. Hagan and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

This inspection focused on activities important to the public health and safety and was directed toward engineering activities to assess your corrective action for the mechanical snubbers that failed the functional test, to verify that the failed snubbers were replaced or restored to their as-designed condition prior to the restart of the plant, to review your inservice inspection (ISI) snubber program, and to assess the snubber reduction program.

Details on the areas examined during the inspection are described in the NRC Region I inspection report, which is enclosed with this letter. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selected examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observation by the inspector.

No reply to this letter is required. Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

original Signed by
Michael Modes
Jacque P. Durr, Chief

Engineering Branch Division of Reactor Safety

Enclosure: NRC Region I Inspection Report No. 50-354/92-19

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