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Dear Ms. Garde:

This is in response to your letter to me dated January 21, 1985, wherein you asked several questions about NRC Inspection Report No. 50-445/84-39.

as general answer to your questions, you should know that the inspection conducted was an unannounced inspection which is part of routine program to determine whether the licensee is carrying out its activities in a manner consistent with its ultimate responsibility for safety. All inspection reports undergo supervisory review to assure that they are comprehensive enough to adequately cover the subject matter treated in the report. Similar supervisory reviews are applied to reviews of any licensee responses that may be required.

As a matter of prudent use of resources, I am unable to justify the expenditure of staff time to respond to the spectrum of questions that could be raised by members of the public regarding the background or reasons for any particular statement in a given inspection report. However, we appreciate your thoughts on the report, and you can be assured that the points you raised will be factored into our normal followup process.

Sincerely.

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