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Mr. R. W. Starostecki, Director
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Division of Reactor Projects
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Dear Mr. Starostecki:

Re: Nine Mile Point - Unit 2
Docket No. 50-410

Enclosed is an interim report in accordance with 10CFR50.55(e) for the problem concerning the unqualified weld filler material used on the primary containment liner. This problem was reported via tel-con to S. Hudson of your staff on May 22, 1985.

Very truly yours,

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Interim Report for a Problem
Concerning Unqualified Weld
Filler Material (55(e)-85-16)

Description of the Problem

The welding of attachments to the primary containment liner requires the use of weld filler material qualified by impact testing. However, welded attachments to the liner were made using an unapproved grade of weld filler material which was not impact tested. Also, since an unapproved grade of weld filler material was used, the welding procedure was no longer qualified. The matter is still under investigation, and a final report will be submitted by December 2, 1985.