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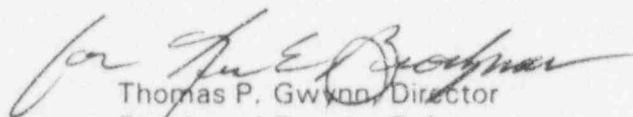
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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT 50-498/96-23; 50-499/96-23

Dear Mr. Cottle:

Thank you for your letter dated December 16, 1996, in response to the emergency preparedness exercise weakness identified in NRC Inspection Report 50-498/96-23; 50-499/96-23 dated November 15, 1996. We examined your reply and find it responsive to the concerns raised in our inspection report. We will review the implementation of your corrective actions during a future inspection.

Sincerely,


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