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SUBJECT: INITIAL EXAMINATION REPORT NO. 50-223/OL-96-03

Dear Dr. Kegel:

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In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

Should you have any questions concerning this examination, please contact me on (301) 415-2170.

Sincerely,
Original signed by Marvin Mendonca for:
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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

Docket No. 50-223

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- 2. Facility comments with NRC resolution
- 3. Examination and answer key

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