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Public Service Electric and Gas Company  
ATTN: Mr. C. A. McNeill, Jr.  
Senior Vice President - Nuclear  
P. O. Box 236  
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Gentlemen:

Subject: Inspection No. 50-354/87-23

This letter transmits the report of the routine resident safety inspection by Mr. R. Borchardt, Mr. D. Allsopp, and others conducted from October 27, 1987 to November 30, 1987 at the Hope Creek Nuclear Generating Station, Hancocks Bridge, New Jersey. The inspection consisted of observation of activities, document reviews and interviews. The findings were discussed with Mr. S. LaBruna of your staff.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that one of your activities was not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements, as set forth in the Notice of Violation, enclosed as Appendix A. This violation involves the installation of temporary modifications in the source range monitoring and control room annunciator circuits without completing the required review and approval process. You are required to respond to this letter and in preparing your response, you should follow the instructions in Appendix A.

The responses directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:

Edward C. Wenzinger, Chief  
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Enclosures:

1. Appendix A, Notice of Violation
2. NRC Inspection Report No. 50-354/87-23

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