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Docket No. 50-219  
License No. DRP-16

GPU Nuclear Corporation  
ATTN: Mr. P. B. Fiedler  
Vice President and Director  
Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station  
P. O. Box 388  
Forked River, New Jersey 08731

Gentlemen:

Subject: Inspection Report No. 50-219/87-41

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Mr. J. Wechselberger, other Region I personnel, and resident inspectors from other sites from November 16 through December 20, 1987. The inspection focused primarily on plant startup activities and operations during which supervisory personnel assumed the duties normally performed by striking personnel. The inspections consisted of document reviews, interviews and observations of activities as documented in the enclosed inspection report. The findings were discussed with you and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

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 herewith as Appendix A. This violation has been categorized by severity level in accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C (Enforcement Policy). You are required to respond to this letter and in preparing your response you should follow the instructions in Appendix A.

An additional inspection finding which is discussed in this report related to the rework that was necessary on the torus to drywell vacuum breakers. This rework was necessary after the valves had been inspected for deficiencies, as required, during the outage. We note that this matter was still under review by your staff and request that upon completion of your evaluation you provide us with the deficiencies which were uncovered and the corrective actions which will be taken.

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 in these matters is appreciated.

Sincerely,  
Original Signed By:  
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Enclosures:

- 1. Appendix A, Notice of Violation
- 2. NRC Region I Report No. 50-219/87-41

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