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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. 50-219/87-27

This refers to the routine safety inspection by Messrs. W. Bateman, J. Wechselberger, W. Baunack, and R. McBrearty during the period of August 21 through October 4, 1987 at the Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station. 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.

Within the scope of this inspection, no violations were identified.

Paragraph 11 of this report describes an event where the operability of a control rod drive mechanism was impaired when the associated accumulator could not hold gas pressure. Our review of this event noted that your technical specifications and system operating procedures were not clear with regard to criteria for operability. We request that you review the event and provide us with your actions to correct this problem.

Your cooperation with us in these matters is appreciated.

Sincerely,
Original Signed By:
Lee H. Bettenhausen
Lee H. Bettenhausen, Chief
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Enclosure: NRC Region I Report No. 50-219/87-27

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