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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

Docket No. 50-460

Mr. D. W. Mazur, Managing Director  
Washington Public Power Supply System  
3000 George Washington Way  
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Richland, Washington 99352

Dear Mr. Mazur:

SUBJECT: THE NRC STAFF'S SAFETY EVALUATION REPORT (NUREG-1231) ON  
THE B&W OWNERS GROUP PLANT REASSESSMENT PROGRAM

Enclosed is a copy of the NRC staff's Safety Evaluation Report (SER) and Supplement No. 1 to this report (SSER), NUREG-1231, on the B&W Owners Group (BWOOG) plant reassessment program which is contained in BAW-1919, Revision 5, "B&W Owners Group Safety and Performance Improvement Program (SPIP)." With the issuance of Supplement No. 1 the NRC staff evaluation of the BWOOG plant reassessment program has been completed.

Although the overall evaluation is favorable, the staff has identified areas where additional improvements could be made. The staff encourages you to consider incorporation of all the applicable staff recommendations during your plant specific implementation of the recommendations approved by the BWOOG.

The staff believes that proper implementation of the Owners Group recommendations is most important. Section 12.4 of the SER recommends, for B&W plants that have not yet been licensed, that implementation of the BWOOG recommendations be performed on a schedule acceptable to the staff prior to licensing. The Project Manager for your plant will be in contact with you to discuss your program and schedule for implementation of these recommendations. Section 12.2 of the SER and SSER states the staff intends to audit your recommendation implementation program, and process (interpretation of the recommendations), and to verify the implementation of the recommendations. To assure appropriate timing of these audits will require close coordination between your staff and the NRC Project Manager.

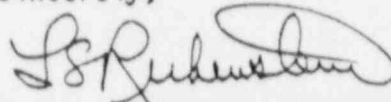
Because of the importance of this program in reducing complex transients and reactor trips at B&W plants we are requesting your cooperation and assistance

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in the above efforts. If you have any questions regarding this letter please contact the NRC Project Manager for your facility at (301) 492-1101.

Sincerely,

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Lester S. Rubenstein, Director  
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