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Docket Nos. 50-277/DPR-44
50-278/DPR-56

Philadelphia Electric Company
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Gentlemen:

Subject: Combined Inspection 50-277/85-44; 50-278/85-44

The findings of a routine safety inspection conducted by Messrs. J. H. Williams and T. P. Johnson are being transmitted. The NRC inspection for Unit 3, Inspection Report 50-278/85-44, was performed on December 7, 1985 - January 31, 1986; and, for Unit 2, Inspection Report 50-277/85-44, was performed on January 1, 1986 - January 31, 1986, at the Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station, Delta, Pennsylvania. These findings were based on observation of activities, interviews, measurements and document reviews, and have been discussed with Mr. R. S. Fleischmann of your staff.

Within the scope of this inspection, no violations were noted. However, as discussed in Detail 11 of the attached inspection report, an apparent weakness in the Philadelphia Electric Company Quality Assurance Program was observed. The Philadelphia Electric Company specification for obtaining quality control inspector services does not require the contractor to verify the validity of education and experience claimed by inspector candidates. We are concerned that no verification of education and experience is required or conducted relative to contracted quality control services.

In addition, as discussed in Detail 7.2 of the attached inspection report, an apparent weakness in the Peach Bottom surveillance testing program was identified. It appears that neither the Peach Bottom Technical Specifications nor the Site Administrative Procedures address requirements or guidance regarding actions to be taken relative to surveillance tests which are overdue. Furthermore, as discussed in Detail 4.4.1 of the attached inspection report a surveillance test, ST 12.8, may not have been conducted during Unit 2 startup in July 1985. It appears that this occurrence is similar to the missed surveillance tests identified in Inspection Report 50-277/85-29; 50-278/85-33. We are concerned that management controls for the Peach Bottom surveillance testing program may not be adequate with respect to control of overdue surveillance tests and, in some instances, to the tracking of surveillance test completion status.

You are requested to respond to these apparent weaknesses, including actions taken or planned, within 30 days of receipt of this letter.

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Sincerely,

Original Signed By:

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Enclosure: NRC Region I Combined Inspection Report No. 50-277/85-44 and 50-278/85-44

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