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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NOS. 50-325/88-19 AND 50-324/88-19

This refers to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Operational Performance Assessment (OPA) conducted by B. Breslau and team on June 27 - July 1 and July 11-15, 1988. The inspection included a review of activities authorized for your Brunswick facility. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed inspection report.

The OPA was a performance based team assessment which identified significant operational strengths and weaknesses, rather than a compliance oriented inspection. The inspection included an evaluation of the effectiveness of various plant groups including Operations, Maintenance, Quality Assurance, Engineering, and Training, in supporting safe plant operations. Particular attention was directed to assessing management awareness of, involvement in, and support of safe plant operations. A number of strengths and areas needing improvement were identified in your programs and are discussed in the enclosed report.

We direct your attention to those areas identified as weaknesses during the inspection. The more significant areas where improvements were needed included improving accuracy and adequacy of status information presented in meetings; improving direct involvement of management in the resolution of identified deficiencies; and improving management's personal involvement in plant activities. We encourage prompt management attention to these areas. We also support your actions to improve areas previously targeted by you for enhancement and encourage aggressive implementation of these improvements.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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Should you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact us.

Sincerely,

(original signed by J. N. Grace)

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Enclosure:
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