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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Attn: Document Control Desk Washington DC 20555

Dear Sir:

Subject:

Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station

Docket No. 50-219

Core Spray Sparger - 17R Inspections

5-176.09

The Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station Operating License paragraph 2.C.(5), and Technical Specification Section 6.9.3.d, require that a special report presenting the results of the In-Service Inspection of the core spray spargers be submitted to the USNRC prior to restart from a refueling outage. Commission approval is required for restart.

Enclosed with this letter is Topical Report TR-119, which provides the information referenced above. In order to support a scheduled restart date of November 2, 1998, NRC approval is requested to be docketed by October 30, 1998.

If any additional information or assistance is required, please contact Mr. John Rogers of my staff at 609.971.4893.

Very truly yours,

Michael B. Roche

Vice President and Director

Oyster Creek

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cc: Administrator, Region I NRC Project Manager Senior Resident Inspector

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