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Docket No. 50-443 File No. RI-88-A-0061

Mr. Stephen B. Comley Post Office Box 277 Rowley, Massachusetts 01969

Dear Comley:

Subject: Concerns you Raised to the NRC Regarding Seabrook Station

This refers to your letter dated January 11, 1988 to the Department of Justice and tr your subsequent telephone conversation with both myself and Mr. A. Cerne of this office, on June 1, 1988, in which you expressed concerns related to the conduct of inspections at Seabrook by an unqualified Authorized Nuclear Inspector and to the appearance of a deliberate attempt by the ANI Insurance Company to conceal discovery of this fact.

We have initiated actions to examine your concerns as characterized above and when our review is complete, we will inform you of our findings. As was discussed on June 1, our initial review of the facts provided in your letter revealed some discrepancies with the information gained from NRC inspections already conducted at the Seabrook site. These inconsistencies should be reconciled by you to ensure our complete understanding of the events related to your concerns. Of particular relevance is the question of what provision in either the ASME Code or the letter of instruction from Lumberman's to its site supervisors was violated, since the answer to this question provides the specific basis for your allegation of wrongdoing.

While we are aware that you do not have any more detailed information than was provided in your letter of January 11, 1988, we recommend that such details be obtained from the person or persons with first-hand knowledge to ensure proper direction to our further investigation of this matter. We intend to initiate additional follow-up activities to address your concerns, as currently documented. However, we also intend to recontact you in approximately two weeks to determine what additional information you have been able to gather to clarify the existing discrepancies and inconsistencies.

Should you have any additional ouestions, or if I can be of further assistance in this matter, please call me collect ϵt (215) 337-5120.

Sincerely,

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