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Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
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Dear Sir:

Subject: Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station  
Docket No. 50-219  
Response to NRC Bulletin 88-03  
Inadequate Latch Engagement in HFA-Type Relays

On March 10, 1988, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission issued Bulletin 88-03, "Inadequate Latch Engagement in HFA Type Latching Relays Manufactured by General Electric (GE) Company." This bulletin contained several reporting requirements, including:

"Any addressee who does not have HFA type latching relays subject to this bulletin shall provide a letter to the NRC stating this fact within 120 days of receipt of this bulletin.

General Electric first notified the NRC (and GPUN) of the concern with latching type HFA relays in November 1987. An inspection was performed at the Oyster Creek site and in December 1987 it was determined that:

1. GPU Nuclear does not utilize latching HFA relays in any safety related system at the Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station.
2. Three latching HFA relays were identified in a non-safety related application; one each in three Dilution Pump Switchgear.

These three applications of the specified relays were inspected and found acceptable. To ensure the continuing acceptability of the relay's performance, a routine inspection of the relays is being included in the surveillance testing program for the specified switchgear, commencing with our next refueling outage. GPUN closed this concern in January 1988.

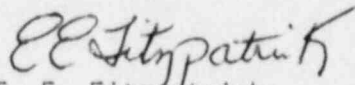
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Very truly yours,



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