

December 15, 1997

Mr. Michael J. Colomb  
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James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant  
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SUBJECT: FITZPATRICK EXAMINATION REPORT 50-333/97-09

Dear Mr. Colomb:

During the period of November 4-7, 1997, the NRC administered initial exams to eight employees of your company who had applied for licenses to operate the James A. FitzPatrick Nuclear Power Plant. At the conclusion of the examinations, the preliminary findings were discussed with Mr. Topley and members of your staff.

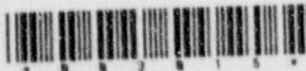
All eight applicants passed the exams. All applicants were well prepared for the examination.

Your staff developed the initial examinations. However, the quality of your staff's initial input did not meet our expectation. Based on the interaction between the chief examiner and your staff, an acceptable examination was eventually developed and subsequently administered. We hope that the lessons learned will be applied during future examination development efforts.

An unresolved item was identified related to a change made to your Emergency Operating Procedures.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR).

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Should you have any questions regarding this information, please contact Don Florek of my staff at (610) 337-5185 or me at (610) 337-5211.

Sincerely,

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