

October 28, 1999

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SUBJECT: NRC INTEGRATED INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-219/99-07

Dear Mr. Roche:

On September 26, 1999, the NRC completed an integrated inspection at your Oyster Creek reactor facility. The enclosed report presents the results of that inspection.

During the six-week period covered by this inspection report, your conduct of activities at the Oyster Creek facility was characterized by safe operations, sound engineering and maintenance practices, and careful radiological work controls.

Based on the results of this inspection, the NRC has determined that two Severity Level IV violations of NRC requirements occurred. In one instance that you identified, an operator error resulted in a momentary unavailability of a core spray pump. Separately, inspectors identified that operators did not comply with administrative and independent verification requirements specified by equipment control procedures on three occasions. These violations are being treated as Non-Cited Violations (NCV), consistent with Appendix C of the Enforcement Policy. These NCVs are described in this inspection report. If you contest the violation or severity level of these NCVs, you should provide a response within 30 days of the date of this inspection report, with the basis for your denial, to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington DC 20555-0001; with copies to the Regional Administrator, Region 1; the Director, Office of Enforcement, United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001; and the NRC Resident Inspector at the Oyster Creek facility.

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We appreciate your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:

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