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December 2, 1999

**SUBJECT: SAFETY EVALUATION OF LICENSEE RESPONSE TO GENERIC LETTER 95-07,
"PRESSURE LOCKING AND THERMAL BINDING OF SAFETY-RELATED
POWER-OPERATED GATE VALVES," OYSTER CREEK NUCLEAR
GENERATING STATION (TAC NO. M93495)**

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Sincerely,

Original signed by:

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Docket No. 50-219

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