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SUBJECT: MID-CYCLE PERFORMANCE REVIEW AND INSPECTION PLAN - R.E. GINNA
NUCLEAR POWER PLANT

Dear Dr. Mecredy:

On August 5, 2002, the NRC staff completed its mid-cycle plant performance assessment of R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant. In accordance with NRC Inspection Manual Chapter 0305 "Operating Reactor Assessment Program," the mid-cycle review involved the participation of all technical divisions in evaluating the performance of the Ginna facility for the first half of the current assessment cycle, January 1 - December 31, 2002. The purpose of this letter is to inform you of our assessment of your safety performance during this period and our plans for future inspections at your facility so that you will have an opportunity to prepare for these inspections and to inform us of any planned inspections which may conflict with your plant activities.

Plant performance for the most recent quarter was within the Licensee Response Column of the NRC's Action Matrix, based on all inspection findings being classified as having very low safety significance (Green) and all performance indicators (PIs) indicating performance at a level requiring no additional NRC oversight (Green). Therefore, we plan to conduct only baseline inspections at your facility through September 30, 2003. However, the significance of one preliminary finding, of low to moderate safety significance (White), is still under review as part of the Significance Determination Process. This preliminary finding was associated with the capability of the alert and notification system (ANS) to perform its function. Specifically, long standing problems with the ANS siren feedback system prevented Rochester Gas and Electric or the Counties within the 10 mile emergency planning zone (EPZ) from being able to identify which, if any, siren(s) activated and to conduct backup route alerting within 45 minutes for the populace covered by the failed siren(s).

The enclosed inspection plan details the inspections scheduled through September 30, 2003. The inspection plan is provided to minimize the resource impact on your staff, and to allow for scheduling conflicts and personnel availability to be resolved in advance of inspector arrival on site. Routine resident inspections are not listed due to their ongoing and continuous nature. The last six months of the inspection plan is tentative and may be revised at the end-of-cycle review.

In addition, the NRC is in the process of finalizing a Temporary Instruction (TI) that will be used to review implementation of the Interim Compensatory Measures required by the Agency's Security Order to all commercial nuclear power plants dated February 25, 2002. Schedules have not yet been finalized, but it is anticipated that these inspections will begin within the next calendar quarter. Once finalized, the details will be communicated by separate correspondence.

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If circumstances arise which cause us to change the inspection plan, we will contact you to discuss the change as soon as possible. Please contact me at 610-337-5224 with any questions you may have regarding this letter or the inspection plan.

Sincerely,

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Ginna
Inspection / Activity Plan
06/30/2002 - 09/30/2003

Unit Number	Inspection Activity	Title	No. of Staff on Site	Planned Dates Start	End	Inspection Type
	7111107B	- HEAT SINK	1			
1	IP 7111107B	Heat Sink Performance		08/05/2002	08/09/2002	Baseline Inspections
	7112103	- OCC RAD SAFETY - INSTRUMENTATION	1			
1	IP 7112103	Radiation Monitoring Instrumentation and Protective Equipment		07/22/2002	07/26/2002	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		07/22/2002	07/26/2002	Baseline Inspections
	7111117B	- MODS & 50.59	4			
1	IP 7111102	Evaluation of Changes, Tests, or Experiments		09/23/2002	09/27/2002	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7111117B	Permanent Plant Modifications		09/23/2002	09/27/2002	Baseline Inspections
	71152B	- PROBLEM IDENTIFICATION AND RESOLUTION	6			
1	IP 71152B	Identification and Resolution of Problems		10/07/2002	10/11/2002	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 71152B	Identification and Resolution of Problems		10/21/2002	10/25/2002	Baseline Inspections
	71151	- PI VERIFICATION - OCC RAD SAFETY	1			
1	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		12/02/2002	12/06/2002	Baseline Inspections
	7111401	- EP EXERCISE & PI VERIFICATION	4			
1	IP 7111401	Exercise Evaluation		03/03/2003	03/07/2003	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		03/03/2003	03/07/2003	Baseline Inspections
	7111112B	- MAINTENANCE RULE	1			
1	IP 7111112B	Maintenance Effectiveness		03/24/2003	03/28/2003	Baseline Inspections
	7111121	- SSDI	6			
1	IP 7111121	Safety System Design and Performance Capability		03/31/2003	04/02/2003	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7111121	Safety System Design and Performance Capability		04/14/2003	04/18/2003	Baseline Inspections
	71122.01	- RETS	1			
1	IP 7112201	Radioactive Gaseous and Liquid Effluent Treatment and Monitoring Systems		06/02/2003	06/06/2003	Baseline Inspections
	71130.03	- SECURITY	2			
1	IP 7113003	Response to Contingency Events (Protective Strategy and Implementation of Protective Strategy)		06/02/2003	06/06/2003	Baseline Inspections
	7112101	- OCC RAD SAFETY - ACCESS	1			
1	IP 7112101	Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas		07/07/2003	07/11/2003	Baseline Inspections
	71130	- SECURITY	1			
1	IP 7113001	Access Authorization Program (Behavior Observation Only)		08/18/2003	08/22/2003	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7113002	Access Control (Search of Personnel, Packages, and Vehicles: Identification and Authorization)		08/18/2003	08/22/2003	Baseline Inspections
	71121.02	- OCC RAD SAFETY - ALARA	1			
1	IP 7112102	ALARA Planning and Controls		09/22/2003	09/26/2003	Baseline Inspections
	ISI	- INSERVICE INSPECTION	2			
1	IP 7111108	Inservice Inspection Activities		09/22/2003	09/26/2003	Baseline Inspections

This report does not include INPO and OUTAGE activities.
This report shows only on-site and announced inspection procedures.