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March 4, 2011

Mr. Sam Belcher
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SUBJECT: ANNUAL ASSESSMENT LETTER FOR NINE MILE POINT NUCLEAR STATION
(REPORT 05000220/2010001 AND 05000410/2010001)

Dear Mr. Belcher:

On February 9, 2011, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) completed its end-of-cycle performance review of Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station (NMPNS), Units 1 and 2. The NRC reviewed the most recent quarterly performance indicators (PIs) in addition to inspection results and enforcement actions from January 1, 2010, through December 31, 2010. This letter informs you of the NRC's assessment of your facility during this period and its plans for future inspections at your facility. This performance review and enclosed inspection plan do not include security information. A separate letter will include the NRC's assessment of your performance in the Security Cornerstone and its security-related inspection plan.

The NRC determined that overall, NMPNS Units 1 and 2 operated in a manner that preserved public health and safety and met all cornerstone objectives. The NRC determined the performance at NMPNS Units 1 and 2 during the most recent quarter was within the Licensee Response column of the NRC's Reactor Oversight Process (ROP) Action Matrix, because all inspection findings had very low (i.e., green) safety significance, and all PIs indicated that your performance was within the nominal, expected range (i.e., green).

On March 25, 2010, the NRC completed a supplemental inspection for a White PI, associated with high unavailability of service water pumps, and determined that NMPNS's actions addressing these issues were appropriate. The inspection was conducted using Inspection Procedure (IP) 95001, "Inspection for One or Two White Inputs in a Strategic Performance Area," and the results were documented in inspection report 05000410/2010006. Therefore, the White PI was removed from the assessment process resulting in NMPNS transitioning from the Regulatory Response Column to the Licensee Response Column of the NRC's Action Matrix in the second quarter of 2010. The NRC plans to conduct ROP baseline inspections at NMPNS Units 1 and 2.

The enclosed inspection plan details the inspections, less those related to physical protection, scheduled through June 30, 2012. Routine inspections performed by resident inspectors are not included in the inspection plan. The inspections listed during the last nine months of the inspection plan are tentative and may be revised at the mid-cycle performance review. The NRC provides the inspection plan to allow for the resolution of any scheduling conflicts and personnel availability issues. In addition to the baseline inspection program, we plan to conduct Inspection Procedure 60853, "On-Site Fabrication of Components and Construction of an Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation." We also plan on conducting Inspection Procedure

71004, "Power Uprate," regarding NMPNS Unit 2 power uprate activities. The NRC will contact you as soon as possible to discuss changes to the inspection plan should circumstances warrant any changes.

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Please contact Glenn Dentel of my staff at 610-337-5233 with any questions you have regarding this letter.

Sincerely,



Darrell J. Roberts, Director
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01/01/2011 - 06/30/2012

Unit Number	Planned Dates Start End	Inspection Activity	Title	No. of Staff on Site
		71124 - RETS		
1, 2	01/31/2011 02/04/2011	IP 71124.06	Radioactive Gaseous and Liquid Effluent Treatment	1
		7111108G - U1 INSERVICE INSPECTION		
1	03/28/2011 04/01/2011	IP 7111108G	Inservice Inspection Activities - BWR	1
		71124 - HP		
1	04/04/2011 04/08/2011	IP 71124.01	Radiological Hazard Assessment and Exposure Controls	1
1	04/04/2011 04/08/2011	IP 71124.02	Occupational ALARA Planning and Controls	
1	04/04/2011 04/08/2011	IP 71124.03	In-Plant Airborne Radioactivity Control and Mitigation	
		EP EX - EP EXERCISE EVALUATION		
1, 2	05/23/2011 05/27/2011	IP 7111401	Exercise Evaluation	5
1, 2	05/23/2011 05/27/2011	IP 7111404	Emergency Action Level and Emergency Plan Changes	
1, 2	05/23/2011 05/27/2011	IP 71151-EP01	Drill/Exercise Performance	
1, 2	05/23/2011 05/27/2011	IP 71151-EP02	ERO Drill Participation	
1, 2	05/23/2011 05/27/2011	IP 71151-EP03	Alert & Notification System	
		71124 - HP		
1, 2	06/27/2011 07/01/2011	IP 2515/179	Verification of Licensee Responses to NRC Requirement for Inventories of Materials Tracked in NSTS	1
1, 2	06/27/2011 07/01/2011	IP 71124.01	Radiological Hazard Assessment and Exposure Controls	
1, 2	06/27/2011 07/01/2011	IP 71124.02	Occupational ALARA Planning and Controls	
1, 2	06/27/2011 07/01/2011	IP 71124.05	Radiation Monitoring Instrumentation	
		7111121 - CDBI		
1, 2	07/11/2011 07/15/2011	IP 7111121	Component Design Bases Inspection	6
1, 2	07/25/2011 07/29/2011	IP 7111121	Component Design Bases Inspection	
1, 2	08/01/2011 08/05/2011	IP 7111121	Component Design Bases Inspection	
		11/7EXAM - NMP2 INITIAL EXAM		
2	10/10/2011 10/14/2011	U01841	FY12-NMP2 INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSING EXAM	4
2	11/07/2011 11/18/2011	U01841	FY12-NMP2 INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSING EXAM	
		71124 - HP		
1, 2	08/29/2011 09/02/2011	IP 71124.01	Radiological Hazard Assessment and Exposure Controls	1
1, 2	08/29/2011 09/02/2011	IP 71124.02	Occupational ALARA Planning and Controls	
1, 2	08/29/2011 09/02/2011	IP 71124.04	Occupational Dose Assessment	
1, 2	08/29/2011 09/02/2011	IP 71124.05	Radiation Monitoring Instrumentation	
		7152B - PI&R		
1	10/03/2011 10/07/2011	IP 71152B	Identification and Resolution of Problems	5
1, 2	10/17/2011 10/21/2011	IP 71152B	Identification and Resolution of Problems	

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1, 2	11/28/2011 12/02/2011	711111B - NMP2 REQUAL INSPECTION W/ P/F RESULTS	Licensed Operator Requalification Program	2
2	04/16/2012 04/20/2012	7111108G - U2 INSERVICE INSPECTION	Inservice Inspection Activities - BWR	1
2	04/16/2012 04/20/2012	71124 - OCC RAD SAFETY	Radiological Hazard Assessment and Exposure Controls	1
2	04/16/2012 04/20/2012	71124.01	Occupational ALARA Planning and Controls	1
2	04/16/2012 04/20/2012	71124.02	Occupational ALARA Planning and Controls	1
1, 2	05/14/2012 05/18/2012	71124.07 - PUB RAD SAFETY - REMP	Radiological Environmental Monitoring Program	3
1, 2	06/04/2012 06/08/2012	TRI FI - TRIENNIAL FIRE PROTECTION INSPECTION	Fire Protection [Triennial]	3
1, 2	06/18/2012 06/22/2012	7111105T	Fire Protection [Triennial]	3

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