

James A. FitzPatrick  
Nuclear Power Plant  
268 Lake Road  
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Michael J. Colomb  
Site Executive Officer

January 31, 2000  
JAAP-00-0023

New York State Department of  
Environmental Conservation  
Division of Water  
615 Erie Boulevard West  
Syracuse, NY 13204-2400

Attn: Mr. William McCarthy

Dear Mr. McCarthy,

Please find enclosed a "Report of Noncompliance Event" on 21 January 2000 through 22 January 2000, we exceeded the total residual chlorine limit at the outfall of our Sewage Treatment Plant. Immediate corrective actions and long-term corrective actions are described on the report.

Per your request, a copy of a letter to Quality Management Services, the contracted plant operator, outlining our expectations for long-term corrective actions is attached.

Please direct any further requests for information to John Loeffert at 315-349-6732 or Al Jarvis at 315-349-6721.

Very truly yours,

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Michael J. Colomb

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Cc: A. Zaremba  
W. O'Malley  
A. Jarvis  
C. Boucher  
D. Costo  
L. Leiter  
W. Slade (WPO)  
J. Kahabka (WPO)  
S. DuBois (QMS)  
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USNRC Document Control Desk  
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NRC Resident Inspector

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SECTION 1

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation  
Division of Water



Report of Noncompliance Event

To: DEC Water Contact William McCarthy DEC Region: 7

Report Type:  5 Day  Permit Violation  Order Violation  Anticipated Noncompliance  Bypass/Overflow

SECTION 2

SPDES #: NY-002 0109 Facility: J. A. FitzPatrick Power Plant

Date of noncompliance: 01 / 22 / 00 Location (Outfall, Treatment Unit, or Pump Station): Outfall

Description of noncompliance(s) and cause(s): Total residual chlorine exceeded 2 Mg/L at Sewage Treatment Plant effluent pipe. Excursion was not discovered by permittee until 1500 hrs. on 1/24/00.

Has event ceased? (Yes)  If so, when? 1/22/00 Was event due to plant upset?  (No) SPDES limits violated? (Yes)

Start date, time of event: 01 / 21 / 00 . 22 :00  (PM) End date, time of event: 01 / 22 / 00 . 12 :00  (PM)

Date, time oral notification made to DEC? 01 / 25 / 00 . 13 :00  (PM) DEC Official contacted: Sandy Lizlovs

Immediate corrective actions: On 1/22/00 the chlorine injection pump stroke was reduced. On Monday, 1/24/00, the total residual chlorine at the outfall was 0.2 Mg/L.

Preventive (long term) corrective actions: Instruct plant operators on proper notification procedures. Stress the importance of knowing plant limits. Ensure chlorine injection rate for weekend periods is reduced.

SECTION 3

Complete this section if event was a bypass:

Bypass amount: \_\_\_\_\_ Was prior DEC authorization received for this event? (Yes) (No)

DEC Official contacted: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of DEC approval: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Describe event in "Description of noncompliance and cause" area in Section 2. Detail the start and end dates and times in Section 2 also.

SECTION 4

Facility Representative: John M. Loeffert Title: Chief Technician Date: 01 / 25 / 00

Phone #: ( 315 ) 349 - 6732 Fax #: ( 315 ) 349 - 6053

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Quality Management Services  
1504 Rt. 9W Suite 2  
Marlboro, NY 12542

Attn: Mr. Sam DuBois

Dear Mr. DuBois,

On January 21 - 22, 2000 the total residual chlorine limit for the SPDES permit at our Sewage Treatment Plant was exceeded for approximately 14 hours. The outfall was sampled on Saturday, January 21, 2000. The total chlorine residual was greater than 2.0 mg/l. We were not made aware of the excursion until the afternoon of Monday, January 24, 2000. On Tuesday, January 25, 2000, we notified the N.Y. State D.E.C. of the excursion.

Our expectations are to have the Treatment Plant operated within the parameters specified by the SPDES permit. To assure the D.E.C. that our expectations and SPDES parameters are met, we have committed to the following corrective actions:

1. Ensure that Sewage Treatment Plant operators are knowledgeable in the SPDES permit limits.
2. Inform the Sewage Treatment Plant operators of the importance of notifying NYPA Management if SPDES permit limits are exceeded.
3. Provide written work instructions formalizing chlorine injection reduction during weekends and holidays.


We have completed items 1 and 2 through discussions with your plant operators on Thursday, January 27, 2000 and will be initiating item 3 in the very near future. These corrective actions were previously discussed with you by John Loeffert. Again, our expectation is to operate the plant within the SPDES permit parameters.

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