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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT 50-352/99-02, 50-353/99-02

Dear Mr. Rainey:

This refers to the inspection conducted on March 2, 1999, through April 12, 1999, at your Limerick Units 1 and 2 reactor facilities. The enclosed report presents the results of this inspection.

During the 6-week inspection period covered by this report, the conduct of activities at Limerick Units 1 and 2 was characterized by safe and conservative operations and decision making. In particular, your operators continue to identify problems early, such as the de-energized shutdown cooling isolation logic. However, the NRC observed that housekeeping and general area material condition had degraded in the vicinity of fire barrier modification activities.

Based on the results of this inspection, the NRC has determined that three violations of NRC requirements occurred. These violations are being treated as Non-Cited Violations (NCVs), consistent with Appendix C of the Enforcement Policy. These NCVs involved a locked valve surveillance, fire protection and safeguards information. These NCVs are described in the subject 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 I, and the Director, Office of Enforcement, United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, DC 20555-0001.

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Sincerely,

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