

May 30, 2001

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SUBJECT: ANNUAL ASSESSMENT LETTER - THREE MILE ISLAND STATION, UNIT 1

Dear Mr. Warner:

On May 8, 2001, the NRC staff completed its end-of-cycle plant performance assessment of Three Mile Island Nuclear Station. The end-of-cycle review for Three Mile Island Nuclear Station involved the participation of all technical divisions in evaluating performance indicators (PIs) for the most recent quarter and inspection results for the period April 1, 2000, to March 31, 2001. 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. On June 27, 2001, at 2:00 p.m. we plan to discuss this assessment with you and your staff in a meeting at the Three Mile Island Training Center, room 118. The meeting will be open for public observation.

Overall, Three Mile Island Nuclear Station operated in a manner that preserved public health and safety and fully met all cornerstone objectives. 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 PIs indicating performance at a level requiring no additional NRC oversight (Green). However, a recent inspection finding involving a loose bearing housing cover that existed on the 'A' motor driven emergency feedwater pump has been preliminary determined to be a finding of low to moderate safety significance (White). The preliminary determination was described in NRC Inspection Report 05000289/2001-002, dated May 9, 2001. The final determination of significance will be issued after a regulatory conference, which is currently scheduled for June 18, 2001.

The enclosure details the scheduled inspections that will occur through May 31, 2002. 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 onsite. Routine resident inspections are not listed due to their ongoing and continuous nature.

For your information, the NRC is in the process of aligning the inspection and assessment cycle with the calendar year. In order to transition to a calendar year cycle (January 1 - December 31), the next inspection and assessment cycle will consist of only three quarters (i.e. the second, third and fourth calendar quarters of CY 2001). As a result, a quarterly review will be conducted for the third calendar quarter (July 1 - September 30) in lieu of a mid-cycle review. The impact on the inspection plan, which is included as an enclosure, is minimal.

Mr. Mark E. Warner
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If circumstances arise which cause us to change this inspection plan, we will contact you to discuss the change as soon as possible. Please contact me at (610)-337-5146 with any questions you may have regarding this letter or the inspection plan.

Sincerely,

/RA/

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Enclosure: Three Mile Island Station, Unit 1 Inspection/Activity Plan

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Three Mile Island
Inspection / Activity Plan
06/01/2001 - 05/31/2002

Unit Number	Inspection Activity	Title	No. of Staff on Site	Planned Dates		Inspection Type
				Start	End	
	7111121 - SSDI		6			
1	IP 7111102	Evaluation of Changes, Tests, or Experiments		06/25/2001	06/29/2001	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7111121	Safety System Design and Performance Capability		06/25/2001	06/29/2001	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7111121	Safety System Design and Performance Capability		07/09/2001	07/13/2001	Baseline Inspections
	7/23EXAM - INIT OPER LIC EXAM		4			
1	U01428	THREE MILE ISLAND 1 & 2 O/L INITIAL EXAM 07/23-07/27/2001		06/25/2001	06/29/2001	Not Applicable
1	U01428	THREE MILE ISLAND 1 & 2 O/L INITIAL EXAM 07/23-07/27/2001		07/23/2001	07/27/2001	Not Applicable
	71121 - OCC RAD SAFETY		1			
1	IP 7112101	Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas		07/30/2001	08/10/2001	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7112102	ALARA Planning and Controls		07/30/2001	08/10/2001	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7112103	Radiation Monitoring Instrumentation		07/30/2001	08/10/2001	Baseline Inspections
	7111108 - INSERVICE INSPECTION		1			
1	IP 7111108	Inservice Inspection Activities		09/17/2001	09/21/2001	Baseline Inspections
	71121 - OCC RAD SAFETY		1			
1	IP 7112101	Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas		09/17/2001	09/21/2001	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7112102	ALARA Planning and Controls		09/17/2001	09/21/2001	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		09/17/2001	09/21/2001	Baseline Inspections
	7111107B - HEAT SINK		1			
1	IP 7111107B	Heat Sink Performance		11/05/2001	11/09/2001	Baseline Inspections
	7112203 - REMP		1			
1	IP 7112203	Radiological Environmental Monitoring Program		11/05/2001	11/09/2001	Baseline Inspections
	7111111B - LIC OPER RQ INSP		3			
1	IP 7111111B	Licensed Operator Requalification		01/28/2002	02/01/2002	Baseline Inspections
	71121 - OCC RAD SAFETY		1			
1	IP 7112101	Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas		02/11/2002	02/15/2002	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7112102	ALARA Planning and Controls		02/11/2002	02/15/2002	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7112103	Radiation Monitoring Instrumentation		02/11/2002	02/15/2002	Baseline Inspections
	71130 - SECURITY		1			
1	IP 7113001	Access Authorization Program (Behavior Observation Only)		02/11/2002	02/15/2002	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7113002	Access Control (Search of Personnel, Packages, and Vehicles: Identification and Authorizatio		02/11/2002	02/15/2002	Baseline Inspections
	71152 - PROBLEM IDENTIFICATION & RESOLUTION		3			
1	IP 71152	Identification and Resolution of Problems		03/04/2002	03/08/2002	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 71152	Identification and Resolution of Problems		03/18/2002	03/22/2002	Baseline Inspections
	71114 - EP PROGRAM REVIEW & EP PI VERIFICATION		1			
1	IP 7111402	Alert and Notification System Testing		02/25/2002	03/01/2002	Baseline Inspections

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

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	71114	- EP PROGRAM REVIEW & EP PI VERIFICATION	1			
1	IP 7111403	Emergency Response Organization Augmentation Testing		02/25/2002	03/01/2002	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7111404	Emergency Action Level and Emergency Plan Changes		02/25/2002	03/01/2002	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 7111405	Correction of Emergency Preparedness Weaknesses and Deficiencies		02/25/2002	03/01/2002	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		02/25/2002	03/01/2002	Baseline Inspections
	711117B	- PERMANENT PLANT MODS	3			
1	IP 7111102	Evaluation of Changes, Tests, or Experiments		05/20/2002	05/24/2002	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 711117B	Permanent Plant Modifications		05/20/2002	05/24/2002	Baseline Inspections