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SUBJECT: MID-CYCLE PERFORMANCE REVIEW AND INSPECTION PLAN
- NINE MILE POINT

Dear Mr. Mueller:

On November 6, 2000, the NRC staff completed its Mid-Cycle plant performance assessment of Nine Mile Point. The Mid-Cycle Review for Nine Mile Point involved the participation of the responsible technical divisions in Region I in evaluating performance indicators (PIs) and inspection results for the period of April 2, 2000 through September 30, 2000. 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 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, 2001.

Enclosure 1 details the scheduled inspections that will occur through September 30, 2001. 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. The last six months of the inspection plans are tentative and may be revised at the end-of-cycle review meeting.

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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) 337-5074 with any questions you may have regarding this letter or the inspection plan.

Sincerely,

/RA/

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Nine Mile Point
Inspection / Activity Plan
12/03/2000 - 09/29/2001

ENCLOSURE

Unit Number	Inspection Activity	Title	No. of Staff on Site	Planned Dates Start	Planned Dates End	Inspection Type
	7111105T - FIRE PROTECTION - UNIT 1		5			
1	IP 7111105T	Fire Protection		12/11/2000	12/15/2000	Baseline Inspections
	7111111B - RQ INSP		2			
1, 2	IP 7111111B	Licensed Operator Requalification		12/11/2000	12/15/2000	Baseline Inspections
	71114B - EMERG.PROG.RVW & PI		1			
1, 2	IP 7111402	Alert and Notification System Testing		01/08/2001	01/12/2001	Baseline Inspections
1, 2	IP 7111403	Emergency Response Organization Augmentation Testing		01/08/2001	01/12/2001	Baseline Inspections
1, 2	IP 7111404	Emergency Action Level and Emergency Plan Changes		01/08/2001	01/12/2001	Baseline Inspections
1, 2	IP 7111405	Correction of Emergency Preparedness Weaknesses and Deficiencies		01/08/2001	01/12/2001	Baseline Inspections
1, 2	IP 71151	Performance Indicator Verification		01/08/2001	01/12/2001	Baseline Inspections
	7112102 - OCCUPATIONAL RAD SAFETY - ALARA		1			
1	IP 7112102	ALARA Planning and Controls		01/08/2001	01/12/2001	Baseline Inspections
	7111108 - INSERVICE INSPECTION - UNIT 1		1			
1	IP 7111108	Inservice Inspection Activities		03/26/2001	03/30/2001	Baseline Inspections
	7112101 - OCCUPATIONAL RAD SAFETY		1			
1	IP 7112102	ALARA Planning and Controls		04/02/2001	04/06/2001	Baseline Inspections
	7112203 - REMP		1			
1, 2	IP 7112203	Radiological Environmental Monitoring Program		04/23/2001	04/27/2001	Baseline Inspections
	71152 - PROBLEM IDENTIFICATION & RESOLUTION		4			
1, 2	IP 71152	Identification and Resolution of Problems		05/07/2001	05/11/2001	Baseline Inspections
1, 2	IP 71152	Identification and Resolution of Problems		05/21/2001	05/25/2001	Baseline Inspections
	7112101 - OCC RAD SAFETY		1			
1, 2	IP 7112101	Access Control to Radiologically Significant Areas		05/21/2001	05/25/2001	Baseline Inspections
	7112201 - RETS		1			
1	IP 7112201	Radioactive Gaseous and Liquid Effluent Treatment and Monitoring Systems		07/09/2001	07/13/2001	Baseline Inspections
	7112102 - OCC RAD SAFETY		1			
1	IP 7112102	ALARA Planning and Controls		07/23/2001	07/27/2001	Baseline Inspections
	7112201 - RETS		1			
2	IP 7112201	Radioactive Gaseous and Liquid Effluent Treatment and Monitoring Systems		07/23/2001	07/27/2001	Baseline Inspections
	7112202 - PUB RAD SAFETY		1			
1, 2	IP 7112202	Radioactive Material Processing and Transportation		08/13/2001	08/17/2001	Baseline Inspections
	10/8EXAM - INIT OPER LIC EXAM		4			
2	U01255	NINE MILE POINT 2 INITIAL EXAM		09/10/2001	09/14/2001	Not Applicable
	711117B - MODS & 50.59		4			
1	IP 7111102	Evaluation of Changes, Tests, or Experiments		09/17/2001	09/21/2001	Baseline Inspections
1	IP 711117B	Permanent Plant Modifications		09/17/2001	09/21/2001	Baseline Inspections

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