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Mr. Joseph Gryzlo  
Vice President & Chief Ethics and Compliance Officer  
New York Power Authority  
123 Main Street  
White Plains, New York 10601

Re: NYS IG 1539-020-2011

Dear Mr. Gryzlo:

On June 28, 2011, an investigation was commenced into allegations that two New York Power Authority (NYPA) employees stationed at the Richard M. Flynn Plant in Holtsville ordered materials for personal use through the NYPA procurement process. This letter advises you of the findings of this investigation.

My office reviewed NYPA's initial investigative report into the allegations against the two employees, [REDACTED] the Flynn Plant Maintenance Superintendent, and [REDACTED], a Gas Turbine Mechanic II. We also analyzed documentation for purchases made by [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] during the period January 2008 through February 2012. In addition, [REDACTED], [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] the Director of Operations at the Flynn Plant were interviewed.

The investigation found three incidents at the Flynn Plant that warrant further action by NYPA. The first involved both [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. In the summer of 2011, [REDACTED] removed a NYPA-owned Honda generator from the Flynn Plant and took it with him on a personal camping trip to Montauk, where he used it for a week. At the conclusion of the week, [REDACTED] gave the generator to [REDACTED], who then used it while vacationing the following week. At the conclusion of the trip, the generator was returned to the Flynn Plant. Both [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] admitted that they removed and used the generator without [REDACTED] permission.

A second incident involved [REDACTED] having a NYPA employee paint the fuel tank of his personal boat. [REDACTED] asked the employee to paint the fuel tank while on

duty and instructed him to use paint that had been purchased by NYPA for work-related purposes.

The third incident occurred when [REDACTED] purchased a laboratory coat (valued at approximately \$70) and paper for his personal use through NYPA's procurement credit card process. [REDACTED] approved the request.

Based on these findings, I recommend NYPA review the conduct of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and take appropriate action.

Within 45 days of this letter, please provide information concerning NYPA's review and actions, including copies of any revised policies. If you require any further information about our investigation, please contact Special Deputy Inspector General Philip Foglia at (212) 635-3150.

Sincerely, /

[REDACTED]  
Catherine Leahy Scott  
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