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NOTE TO EDITORS, NEWS DIRECTORS:

NRC STAFF CITES DIABLO CANYON, DOES NOT PROPOSE CIVIL PENALTY

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff has issued a Notice of Violation and Notice of Deviation to the Pacific Gas & Electric Co., operator of the Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant. The action does not carry a civil penalty. The company was cited for two Severity Level IV violations and one deviation from a written commitment.

The violations and deviation involve issues related to main steam safety valves at Diablo Canyon, near Avila Beach, Calif. The issues were discussed at a predecisional enforcement conference held at the NRC Region IV office in Arlington, Texas, on July 1. That conference, which was open to the public, was announced in a June 26 NRC news release.

Copies of the Notice of Violation and Notice of Deviation are available from this office upon request.

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