

ENCLOSURE 1

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

New York Power Authority
Indian Point 3 Nuclear Power Plant

Docket No. 50-286
License No. DPR-64

During an NRC inspection conducted on December 12, 1995 through January 13, 1996, a violation of NRC requirements was identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," (60 FR 34381; June 30, 1995), the violation is listed below:

10 CFR 50, Appendix B, section XVI, Corrective Actions, requires in part that for significant conditions adverse to quality, measures shall assure that the cause of the condition is determined and corrective actions taken to preclude repetition.

Contrary to the above, effective corrective actions were not taken in response to the July 1995 operation of the reactor coolant system at reduced pressure. The procedure change review effort performed in response to this event did not identify that a term procedure change (TPC) to station operating procedure (SOP)-RHR-1, revision 13, Residual Heat Removal System, had not been evaluated as required by 10 CFR 50.59. This TPC altered the method of cooling the reactor coolant system (RCS) as described in the final safety analysis report by allowing the closure of valve MOV-822A. The closure of this valve during RCS heatup on December 2, 1995, resulted in the lifting of relief valve AC-819A which failed to fully reseal, resulting in the undetected release of approximately 1300 gallons of CCW into the containment building.

This is a Severity Level IV violation. (Supplement I)

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, the New York Power Authority is hereby required to submit a written statement or explanation to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, D.C. 20555 with a copy to the Regional Administrator, Region I, and a copy to the NRC Resident Inspector at the facility that is the subject of this Notice, within 30 days of receipt of the letter transmitting this Notice of Violation (Notice). This reply should be clearly marked as a "Reply to a Notice of Violation" and should include for each violation: (1) the reason for the violation, or, if contested, the basis for disputing the violation, (2) the corrective steps that have been taken and the results achieved, (3) the corrective steps that will be taken to avoid further violations, and (4) the date when full compliance will be achieved. Your response may reference or include previous docketed correspondence, if the correspondence adequately addresses the required response. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

Because your response will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR), to the extent possible, it should not include any personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information so that it can be placed in the PDR without redaction. However, if you find it necessary to include such information, you should clearly indicate the specific information that you desire not to be placed in the PDR, and provide the legal basis to support your request for withholding the information from the public.

Dated at King of Prussia, PA
this 12th day of February 1996

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