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Docket No. 50-331/77-7

Iowa Electric Light and Power
Company
ATTN: Mr. Duane Arnold
President
IE Towers
P. O. Box 351
Cedar Rapids, IA 52406

Gentlemen:

Thank you for your letter dated May 31, 1977, informing us of the steps you have taken to correct the noncompliance identified in our letter dated May 10, 1977. We will examine your corrective action during a future inspection.

Your cooperation with us is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Gaston Fiorelli, Chief
Reactor Operations and
Nuclear Support Branch

cc: J. A. Wallace, Vice
President-Generation
E. L. Hammond, Chief
Engineer

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IOWA ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY

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May 31, 1977

JAMES A. WALLACE
VICE PRESIDENT - GENERATION

Mr. James G. Keppler
Office of Inspection and Enforcement
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region III
799 Roosevelt Road
Glen Ellyn, Illinois 60137

Re: Duane Arnold Energy Center
Subject: Response to Letter from Gaston
Fiorelli to Duane Arnold dated
May 10, 1977
File: A-102 Inspection Report 77-07

Dear Mr. Keppler:

This letter is in response to Mr. Fiorelli's letter of May 10, 1977 concerning an inspection of activities at the Duane Arnold Energy Center conducted on April 26-27, 1977. The following responses indicate the actions which have been or will be taken to correct the infraction noted in your letter.

Infraction

Contrary to 10CFR50, Appendix B, Criterion V, Administrative Control Procedure 1401.4 was not adhered to in that a Maintenance Action Request (MAR) was not used to authorize and control work involving the drilling of fuel assembly lower tie plates.

Response

1. Corrective action taken and the results achieved:

The authorization and procedure for fuel bundle drilling was approved by the Operations Committee via Fuel and Reactor Component Handling Procedure #19 "Electro-Discharge Machine Setup, Installation and Operating Procedure for DAEC", Rev. #2, which was approved on March 11, 1977. The fact that a MAR was not written to authorize fuel drilling was an oversight which was corrected the same day drilling commenced, April 26, 1977.

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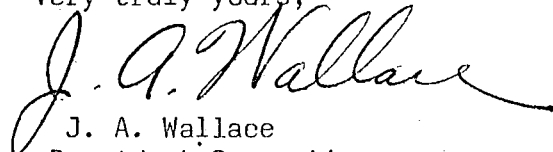
2. Corrective action to be taken to avoid further noncompliance:

Since this was an isolated instance of not preparing a MAR prior to commencing work and since a thorough review and approval of the work to be done was given by the Operations Committee prior to the work commencing, no further corrective action is planned.

3. Date when full compliance will be achieved:

Full compliance was achieved on April 26, 1977.

Very truly yours,



J. A. Wallace
Vice President-Generation

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cc: Director, Office of Inspection and Enforcement
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555



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Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. I. N. Jackiw of this office on April 26 and 27, 1977, of activities at the Duane Arnold Energy Center authorized by NRC Operating License No. DPR-49 and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. Hammond at the conclusion of the inspection.

The enclosed copy of our inspection report identifies areas examined during the inspection. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of a selective examination of procedures and representative records, observations, and interviews with personnel.

During this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in noncompliance with NRC requirements, as described in the enclosed Appendix A.

This notice is sent to you pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.201 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. Section 2.201 requires you to submit to this office within twenty days of your receipt of this notice a written statement or explanation in reply, including for each item of noncompliance: (1) corrective action taken and the results achieved; (2) corrective action to be taken to avoid further non-compliance; and (3) the date when full compliance will be achieved.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter, the enclosures, and your response to this letter will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room, except as follows. If the enclosures contain information that you or your contractors believe to be proprietary, you

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must apply in writing to this office, within twenty days of your receipt of this letter, to withhold such information from public disclosure. The application must include a full statement of the reasons for which the information is considered proprietary, and should be prepared so that proprietary information identified in the application is contained in an enclosure to the application.

We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely,

Gaston Fiorelli, Chief
Reactor Operations and
Nuclear Support Branch

Enclosures:

1. Appendix A, Notice of Violation
2. IE Inspection Report No. 50-331/77-07

cc w/encl:

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