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Docket No. 50-331/85-26

Iowa Electric Light and Power
Company

ATTN: Mr. Lee Liu
President and Chief
Executive Officer
IE Towers
P. O. Box 351
Cedar Rapids, IA 52406

Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Ms. P. L. Eng of this office on September 16-20, 1985, and October 7-10, 1985, of activities at the Duane Arnold Energy Center (DAEC) authorized by NRC Operating License No. DPR-49, and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. D. L. Mineck and others of your staff 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 violation of NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Appendix. A written response is required.

In addition to the violation, there is one unresolved item related to the operational readiness or condition of equipment in the plant. We request that you address this concern in your response to this inspection report, indicating your evaluation and schedule of any activities required for resolution.

The responses directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790, a copy of this letter and the enclosures will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room.

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

Sincerely,



C. J. Paperiello, Director
Division of Reactor Safety

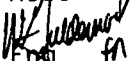
Enclosures:

1. Appendix, Notice
of Violation
2. Inspection Report No.
50-331/85026(DRS)
3. Attachments A, B, C,
and D


cc w/enclosure:

D. Mineck, Plant Superintendent
Nuclear
DCS/RSB (RIDS)
Licensing Fee Management Branch
Resident Inspector, RIII
Thomas Houvenagle, Iowa State
Commerce Commission

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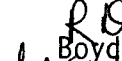
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