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Docket No. 50-331

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

Gentlemen:

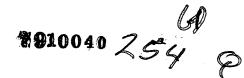
This refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. T. J. Madeda of this office on September 6 and 7, 1979, of activities at the Duane Arnold Energy Center authorized by NRC Operating License No. DPR-49 and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. D. Mineck and Ms. M. Juvik at the conclusion of the inspection.

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. This inspection also examined corrective action taken with respect to the items of noncompliance noted in IE Inspection Report No. 50-331/79-14 and the Immediate Action Letter dated June 11, 1979.

During this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in noncompliance with NRC requirements, as described in the enclosed Appendix A. The inspection showed that action had been taken to correct the identified noncompliance and to prevent recurrence. Consequently, no reply to this noncompliance is required and we have no further questions regarding this matter at this time. As a result of this inspection, certain verbal commitments were made by your staff, concerning an Item of Concern (See Paragraph 4 of the attached Details). It is our understanding that action will be initiated and/or implemented as described in this report. Should changes or revisions to this item be necessary please notify this office within ten days.

Areas examined during the inspection concern a subject matter which is exempt from disclosure according to Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. Consequently, the enclosure to this letter and our report of this inspection will not be placed in the Public Document Room.

> ATTACHMENT CONTAINS 10 CFR 2.790 (d) INFORMATION



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

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Sincerely,

J. A. Hind, Chief

Safeguards Branch

Enclosures:

- Appendix A, Notice of Violation
 IE Inspection Report No. 50-331/79-22
- (Part 2.790(d) Information)

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