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Docket No. 50-331

Iowa Electric Light and Power
Company
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## Gentlemen:

This refers to the routine safety inspection conducted by Messrs. A. G. Januska and S. Rozak of this office on July 13-16 and 22-24, 1981, of activities at Duane Arnold Energy Center authorized by NRC Operating License No. DPR-49 and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. D. 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. In addition, our Mobile Laboratory was at the site during the inspection to perform independent measurements of radioactivity in samples split with the licensee.

No items of noncompliance with NRC requirements were identified during the course of this inspection.

Based on discussions with members of your staff during this inspection and at the exit interviews, it is our understanding that (1) a well counter found operating beyond its acceptable range, was to be replaced and completely operational by July 24, 1981, (2) a problem in accurate quantification of radioactivity on charcoal adsorbers would be studied and a solution with its implementation schedule reported to Region III by August 15, 1981, (3) the gas quantification problem discussed in Section 3 of this inspection report will be studied and the results or a status report submitted to Region III by August 15 and (4) a schedule for the revision of counting room procedures, discussed in Section 2 of this inspection report will be submitted to Region III. Please submit this schedule within twenty five days from the date of this letter.

1506 51/1 In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter, the enclosures, and your response to this letter will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room. If the enclosures contain any information that you or your contractors believe to be exempt from disclosure under 10 CFR 9.5(a)(4), it is necessary that you (a) notify this office by telephone within seven (7) days from the date of this letter of your intention to file a request for withholding; and (b) submit within twenty-five (25) days from the date of this letter a written application to this office to withhold such information. Section 2.790(b)(1) requires that any such application must be accompanied by an affidavit executed by the owner of the information which identifies the document or part sought to be withheld, and which contains a full statement of the reasons which are the bases for the claim that the information should be withheld from public disclosure. This section further requires the statement to address with specificity the considerations listed in 10 CFR 2.790(b)(4). The information sought to be withheld shall be incorporated as far as possible into a separate part of the affidavit. If we do not hear from you in this regard within the specified periods noted above, a copy of this letter, the enclosures, and your response to this letter will be placed in the Public Document Room.

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

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: IE Inspection Report No. 50-331/81-14

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