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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
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Docket No. 50-331

Iowa Electric Light and Power  
Company

ATTN: Mr. Lee Liu  
Chairman of the Board  
and Chief Executive  
Officer

IE Towers  
P. O. Box 351  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52406

Dear Mr. Liu:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Messrs. M. Parker, C. Miller, B. Bartlett, G. O'Dwyer, and J. Hopkins of this office on July 1 through August 31, 1992. The inspection included a review of activities authorized for your Duane Arnold Energy Center (DAEC) facility. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed report.

Areas examined during the inspection are identified in the report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of a selective examination of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observation of activities in progress.

Based on the results of this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Notice of Violation and in the enclosed report. The violation is of concern because of the breakdown in your program which resulted in the installation of incompatible breakers. You are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. In your response, you should document the specific actions taken and any additional actions you plan to prevent recurrence. After reviewing your response to this Notice, including your proposed corrective actions and the results of future inspections, the NRC will determine whether further NRC enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with NRC regulatory requirements.

As described in the enclosed inspection report, you identified two violations. Therefore, these violations will not be subject to enforcement action because your efforts in identifying and correcting the violations meet the criteria specified in Section V.G of the "General Statement of Policy and Procedures for NRC Enforcement Actions," (Enforcement Policy, 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C (1992)). As described in the inspection report, one violation which you did not identify was categorized at Severity Level V and is not being cited because the criteria specified in Section VII.B.1 of the "General Statement of

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Policy for NRC Enforcement Action," (Enforcement Policy 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C (1992)), was satisfied.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the Commission's regulations, a copy of this letter, the enclosure, and your response to this letter will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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.

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

Sincerely,



L. Robert Greger, Chief  
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Enclosures:

1. Notice of Violation
2. Inspection Report  
No. 50-331/92017(DRP)

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