

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Duke Power Company  
Oconee 1, 2, and 3

Docket Nos. 50-269, 270, and 287  
License Nos. DPR-38, 47, and 55

During an NRC inspection conducted on November 5 - December 16, 1995, a violation of NRC requirements was identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," NUREG-1600, the violation is listed below:

10CFR50, Appendix B, Criterion V, "Instructions Procedures, and Drawings", and the licensee's Quality Assurance program (Duke-1-A, Section 17.3.2.13) require in part that activities affecting quality shall be prescribed by documented instructions, procedures, or drawings of a type appropriate to the circumstances.

Oconee Nuclear System Directive 202, 10CFR50.72 Reports, Revision 5, provides the guidance for station personnel to determine whether an event or situation should be reportable per the requirements of 10CFR50-72.

Oconee Block Tagout Procedure, OP/1/B/1502/08, Enclosure 4-10B, BTO Tagout 10B-HPI Makeup/Seal Injection/Seal Return provides the requirements for establishing the isolation boundaries for portions of the High Pressure Injection System under the Block Tagout Program.

Contrary to the above:

1. Nuclear System Directive 202 was inadequate in that a condition which required a 4 hour report per 10CFR50-72(b)2.i, was not identified by the procedure. As a consequence, licensee personnel using the directive as guidance for reportability, did not recognize that a reportability condition existed after determining on December 7, 1995, that one train of Low Pressure Injection had been inoperable from December 12, 1992, to November 2, 1995.
2. Block Tagout Procedure OP/1/B/1502/08 was inadequate in that it did not include IHP-79, or its downstream isolation valves, as an isolation boundary. As a consequence, when IHP-79 was removed for maintenance a breach was created in the Block Tagout 10B isolation boundary. This resulted in a spill of approximately 350 gallons of contaminated water into the Unit 1 Letdown Storage Tank Room on November 20, 1995.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement I).

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Duke Power Company is hereby required to submit a written statement or explanation to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, D.C. 20555

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with a copy to the Regional Administrator, Region II, and a copy to the NRC Resident Inspector at the Oconee Nuclear Plant, within 30 days of the date of the letter transmitting this Notice of Violation (Notice). This reply should be clearly marked as a "Reply to a Notice of Violation" and should include for each violation: (1) the reason for the violation, or, if contested, the basis for disputing the violation, (2) the corrective steps that have been taken and the results achieved, (3) the corrective steps that will be taken to avoid further violations, and (4) the date when full compliance will be achieved. Your response may reference or include previous docketed correspondence, if the correspondence adequately addresses the required response. If an adequate reply is not received within the time specified in this Notice, an order or a Demand for Information may be issued as to why the license should not be modified, suspended, or revoked, or why such other action as may be proper should not be taken. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

Because your response will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR), to the extent possible, it should not include any personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information so that it can be placed in the PDR without redaction. However, if you find it necessary to include such information, you should clearly indicate the specific information that you desire not to be placed in the PDR, and provide the legal basis to support your request for withholding the information from the public.

Dated at Atlanta, Georgia.  
this 11th day of January 1995