

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Duke Power Company
Oconee 3

Docket Nos. 50-287
License Nos. DPR-55

During an NRC inspection conducted on May 28 - June 24, 1995, a violation of NRC requirements was identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C, the violation is listed below:

10 CFR Part 50, Appendix B, Criterion XVI, "Corrective Action," and the licensee's Quality Assurance program (Duke-1-A, Section 17.3.2.13) require that measures be established to assure that conditions adverse to quality are promptly identified and corrected.

Duke Power Nuclear System Directive 208, "Problem Investigation Process (PIP)," defines the process by which 10 CFR 50, Appendix B, Criterion XVI requirements are implemented at the nuclear stations. Section 208.1 states in part that this directive provides a mechanism by which problems are identified, documented, and responded to with a level of effort and timeliness commensurate with their significance. Section 208.5.1 requires that upon identification of a problem, the employee will initiate the PIP.

Contrary to the above, on May 23, 1995, the licensee identified a problem requiring an operability evaluation for three High Pressure Injection system containment isolation valves (3HP-3, 3HP-4 and 3HP-20), but did not initiate the PIP for this problem until June 6, 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 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 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

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should not be taken. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

Dated at Atlanta, Georgia
this 12th day of July 1995

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