

APPENDIX A

Notice of Violation

Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation  
Nine Mile Point Unit No. 2

Docket No. 50-410  
License No. NPF-54

As a result of the inspection conducted on June 1, 1987 to June 12, 1987, and in accordance with NRC Enforcement Policy (10 CFR 2, Appendix C) the following violation was identified:

10 CFR 50, Appendix B, Criterion XI "Test Control" requires that "a test program shall be established to assure that all testing required to demonstrate that structures, systems, and components will perform satisfactorily in service is identified and performed in accordance with written test procedures." Technical Specification 6.8 and 10 CFR 50, Appendix B, Criterion V, Procedures, also requires that activities affecting quality be performed in accordance with approved procedures.

Also, 10 CFR 50.59 "Changes, Tests and Experiments" requires that "the licensee shall maintain records of tests and experiments not described in the Safety Analysis Report. These records must include a written safety evaluation which provides the basis for the determination that the test or experiment does not involve an unreviewed safety question."

Contrary to the above, on May 25, 1987 and again on May 30, 1987, the licensee operated the feedwater system in a manner not authorized by a procedure (on one loop) and performed a test to determine the effect of isolation of a single feedwater line on feedwater temperature stratification. This test is not described in the Safety Analysis Report and was performed without a written procedure and without the performance of a written safety evaluation to determine that an unreviewed safety question did not exist.

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

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation is hereby required to submit to this office within thirty days of the date of the letter which transmitted this Notice, a written statement or explanation in reply, including: (1) the corrective steps which have been taken and the results achieved; (2) corrective steps which will be taken to avoid further violations; and (3) the date when full compliance will be achieved. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending this response time.

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