

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Pacific Gas and Electric Company
Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant

Docket 50-323
License No. DPR-82

During an NRC inspection conducted January 1 through February 3, 1992, 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 (1991), the violation is listed below:

Technical Specifications 3.3.3.6 requires that both reactor cavity sump wide range level channels be operable in Modes 1 (Power Operation), 2 (Startup), and 3 (Hot Standby). Technical Specifications Action Statement 3.3.3.6.a requires that an inoperable channel be returned to service within seven days.

Contrary to the above, from October 15, until October 22, 1991, one of two reactor cavity sump wide range level channels was inoperable in Modes 2 and 3, for a period time of greater than seven days.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement I), applicable to Unit 2.

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Pacific Gas and Electric Company is hereby required to submit a written statement or explanation to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, DC 20555 with a copy to the Regional Administrator, Region V, and a copy to the NRC Resident Inspector, Diablo Canyon, within 30 days of the date of the letter transmitting this 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. If an adequate reply is not received within the time specified in this Notice, the Commission may issue an order or demand for information as to why the license should not be modified, suspended, or revoked or why such other actions as may be proper should not be taken. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

Dated at Walnut Creek, California
This 28th day of February, 1992

