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Subject: NUCLEAR PLANT NO. 2  
LICENSE NO. NPF-21  
NRC INSPECTION REPORT 86-06

The Washington Public Power Supply System hereby replies to the Notice of Violation contained in your letter dated April 7, 1986. Our reply pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.201, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, consists of this letter and Appendix A (attached).

In Appendix A an explanation of our position regarding the validity of the violation is provided. Should you have any questions concerning our response, please do not hesitate to contact me.

*for* *R.B. Sorenson*  
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APPENDIX A

During an NRC inspection conducted February 3 - March 14, 1986, a violation of NRC requirements was identified. The following has been excerpted from the Notice of Violation:

- I. The operating license for WNP-2 contains condition #14 which states, "(14) Fire Protection Programs, (Section 9.5.1, SER, SSER #3, SEER #4). The licensee shall maintain in effect all provisions of the approved fire protection program." The program that was approved in the license condition is the program in the FSAR, Appendix F, Amendments 19 and 24.

The approved program, FSAR Appendix F Amendment 19, Section F.3 reads, in part, "Nitrogen and compressed air cylinders are stored along the interior wall of the reactor building railroad airlock."

Contrary to the above, on February 20, 1986, one nitrogen gas bottle was stored and attached by light gauge wire to the seal return line of the 'A' RHR pump located in the reactor building.

This is a Severity Level V Violation (Supplement 1).

VALIDITY OF VIOLATION

The Supply System acknowledges the validity of this violation. This particular nitrogen bottle was not stored in accordance with FSAR Appendix F Amendment 19, Section F.3 Response to NRC Position D2(b).

CORRECTIVE STEPS TAKEN/RESULTS ACHIEVED

1. Upon being made aware of the violation, the nitrogen bottle was removed from the vicinity of the 'A' RHR pump and stored properly.
2. A follow-up inspection was conducted to discover any other problems with gas bottle storage. No other violations were found.
3. The Plant Maintenance Manager reiterated to his supervisors the importance of proper storage of gas bottles.

CORRECTIVE ACTION TO BE TAKEN

1. Guidance concerning the proper storage of gas bottles will be added to the Housekeeping Procedure, PPM 1.3.19.
2. Guidance concerning the proper storage of gas bottles will be added to both the plant maintenance and contractor maintenance personnel training programs.



DATE OF FULL COMPLIANCE

1. PPM 1.3.19 will be changed by June 1, 1986.
2. Plant and Contractor training programs will be modified by July 1, 1986.

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