

ENCLOSURE 1
NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Washington Public Power Supply System
Washington Nuclear Project-2

Docket: 50-397
License: NPF-21

During an NRC inspection conducted on February 18 through March 30, 1996, two violations of NRC requirements were identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions" (60 FR 34381; June 30, 1995), the violations are listed below:

- A. The Technical Specification Surveillance Requirement specifies that the specific activity of the reactor coolant be demonstrated to be within the limits (of the Limiting Condition of Operation) by performance of the sampling and analysis program of Table 4.4.5-1.

Table 4.4.5-1, Item 4.b, requires, in part, that primary coolant isotopic analysis for iodine be performed on a sample between 2-6 hours following a change in thermal power of greater than 15 percent of rated power in 1 hour, as required by Action c.

Action c states, in part, to perform, in operational Condition 1 or 2 and with a thermal power changed by more than 15 percent of rated thermal power in 1 hour, the sampling and analysis requirements of Table 4.4.5-1, Item 4.b.

Contrary to the above, on March 1, 1996, a power change of greater than 15 percent in 1 hour occurred; however, a reactor coolant was not sampled nor an isotopic analysis for iodine performed between 2-6 hours after the power level change.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement I) (50-397/9603-02).

- B. 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix B, Criterion V, states, in part, that activities affecting quality shall be accomplished in accordance with instructions, procedures, or drawings.

WNP-2 Plant Procedures Manual 1.3.12, Revision 20, "Problem Evaluation Request (PER)," requires the reporting and documenting of actual or potential conditions or events adverse to quality on a PER and timely PER initiation (typically less than 1 day).

Contrary to the above, a PER was not initiated in a timely manner as required by Plant Procedures Manual 1.3.12 for each of the following events adverse to quality.

- a. During the week of July 17, 1995, engineers concluded that three snubbers, which connect to and affect the containment wetwell-to-drywell safety-related vacuum breakers, were degraded. A PER was not initiated until August 17, 1995.

- b. On July 19, 1995, a torque head which was used to torque the flange fasteners on a safety-related main steam safety/relief valve could not be located to perform the required post-use calibration. A PER was not signed by the originator until July 31, 1995.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement I) (50-397/9603-06)."

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Washington Public Power Supply System is hereby required to submit a written statement or explanation regarding Violation A to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, D.C. 20555 with a copy to the Regional Administrator, Region IV, 611 Ryan Plaza Drive, Suite 400, Arlington, Texas 76011, and a copy to the NRC Resident Inspector at the facility that is the subject of this Notice, 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.

The NRC has concluded that information regarding the reason for Violation B, the corrective actions taken and planned to correct the violation and prevent recurrence, and the date when full compliance was achieved is already adequately addressed on the docket in NRC Inspection Report 50-397/96-03, Enclosure 2. However, Washington Public Power Supply System (Licensee) is required to submit a written statement or explanation pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201 if the description therein does not accurately reflect the Licensee's corrective actions or position. In that case, or if the Licensee chooses to respond, clearly mark the response as a "Reply to a Notice of Violation" and send it to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, D.C. 20555 with a copy to the Regional Administrator, Region IV, 611 Ryan Plaza Drive, Suite 400, Arlington, Texas 76011, and a copy to the NRC Resident Inspector at the facility that is the subject of this Notice, within 30 days of the date of the letter transmitting this Notice of Violation (Notice).

Because the 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 it is necessary to include such information, it should

clearly indicate the specific information that should not be placed in the PDR, and provide the legal basis to support the request for withholding the information from the public.

Dated at Arlington, Texas
this 9th day of *May* 1996

