

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 March 25-28, 1996, a violation of NRC requirements was identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions." (60 FR 34381; June 30, 1995), the violation is listed below:

Section 6.8.1.A of the facility's Technical Specification requires that procedures be established, implemented, and maintained covering the activities of applicable procedures recommended in Appendix A of Regulatory Guide 1.33, Revision 2, February 1978. Section 9 of Appendix A, Regulatory Guide 1.33, Revision 2 states, in part, that maintenance that can affect the performance of safety-related equipment should be properly preplanned and performed in accordance with written procedures.

Licensee Procedure 1.3.42, Revision 13, "Troubleshooting Plant Systems and Equipment," requires that a troubleshooting plan be developed prior to performing troubleshooting and that the troubleshooting activities be described in step-by-step detail. The procedure further requires that prior to conducting troubleshooting, a briefing involving the Control Room Supervisor/Shift Manager, work supervisor, work performer, and others, as necessary, be conducted and that prior to implementation, the troubleshooting plan be approved by two senior reactor operators. Section 4.3 of Procedure 1.3.7G, Revision 9, "Work Implementation," requires that the Operations Support Team ensure that the craft assigned to perform the Job Investigation are briefed on the limits of the Job Investigation at hand and that the craft should investigate the problem described on the Job Investigation Sheet.

Contrary to the above, on March 27, 1996, craft performing investigative troubleshooting in accordance with Job Investigation Work Sheet DIC: 1008.5 worked outside the defined scope of the plan when they performed work on the "A" channel of the Average Power Range Monitor. Job Investigation Work Sheet DIC: 1008.5 directed work to be performed solely upon the "D" channel of the Average Power Range Monitor. The investigative troubleshooting performed on the "A" channel was not preplanned, documented, briefed, nor properly authorized.

•This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement I) 50-397/9601-01.

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Washington Public Power Supply System 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 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.

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 1st day of May 1996