

ENCLOSURE

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Washington Public Power Supply System  
Washington Nuclear Project-2

Docket No.: 50-397  
License No.: NPF-21

During an NRC inspection conducted on July 31 through August 9, 1996, a violations of NRC requirements was identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," NUREG-1600, the violation is listed below:

WNP-2 Technical Specification 6.8.1(a) states, in part, that written procedures be established, implemented, and maintained covering the applicable procedures recommended in Appendix A of Regulatory Guide 1.33, Revision 2, dated February 1978.

Appendix A of Regulatory Guide 1.33, Revision 2, lists activities that should be covered by written procedures, including, "Administrative procedures for log entries and record retention. . . ."

- Procedure PPM 3.1.2, "Reactor Startup," Revision 31, step 4.2.7 states, in part, "Enter the following here and in the CRO log at the time of criticality . . . Time, Neutron level, Period, Control Rod Number, Control Rod Position, Coolant Temperature."
- Procedure PPM 3.1.10, "Operating Data Logs," Revision 11, states, in part, "the purpose of recorder charts is to provide operations and management personnel with a permanent record of trends exhibited by specific plant parameters."

Contrary to the above, the inspectors identified the following:

- (1) On June 27, 1996, the reactor was declared critical at 0705 hours, with a Source Range Monitor Channel A detector reading 70,000 cps, a reactor period of 345 seconds, and a reactor coolant system temperature of 211 degrees F. This data was not accurately entered in the control room operator's log as required by the startup procedure. The control room operator's log was annotated as having a neutron level of 5000 cps.
- (2) On July 27, 1996, a source range monitor recorder was supplied with linear versus the required logarithmic strip chart paper which would not serve the purpose of an accurate historical permanent record.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement I) (50-397/9616-01).

The NRC has concluded that information regarding the reason for the violation, the corrective actions taken and planned to correct the violation and prevent recurrence and the date when full compliance will be achieved is already adequately addressed on the docket in your response to, and your amended response to NRC Inspection Report No. 50-397/96-16 dated October 14, and October 28, 1996, and the additional information you submitted on November 1, 1996. However, you are required to submit a written statement or explanation pursuant to 10 CFR 2.201 if the description therein does not accurately reflect your corrective actions or your position. In that case, or if you choose to respond, clearly mark your 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, 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).

If you choose to respond, your 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. If personal privacy or proprietary information is necessary to provide an acceptable response that identifies the information that should be protected and a redacted copy of your response that deletes such information. If you request withholding of such material, you must specifically identify the portions of your response that you seek to have withheld and provide in detail the bases for your claim of withholding (e.g., explain why the disclosure of information will create an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy or provide the information required by 10 CFR 2.790(b) to support a request for withholding confidential commercial or financial information). If safeguards information is necessary to provide an acceptable response, please provide the level of protection described in 10 CFR 73.21.

Because your 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 you find it necessary to include such information, you should clearly indicate the specific information that you desire not to be placed in the PDR, and provide the legal basis to support your request for withholding the information from the public.

Dated at Arlington, Texas  
this 10th day of December 1996