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Virginia Electric and Power Company
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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION
(NRC INSPECTION REPORT NOS. 50-280/88-04 AND 50-281/88-04)

This refers to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) inspection conducted by W. E. Holland, on February 1-27, 1988. The inspection included a review of activities authorized for your Surry facility. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed inspection report.

Areas examined during the inspection are identified in the report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observation of activities in progress.

The inspection findings indicate that certain activities appeared to violate NRC requirements. However, the violation identified in the enclosed report is being considered for escalated enforcement action. Accordingly, no Notice of Violation is being issued at this time for this violation and no response is required. However, please be advised that the characterization of this violation described in the enclosed Inspection Report may change as a result of further NRC review. You will be advised by separate correspondence of the results of our deliberations on this matter.

Your attention is invited to unresolved items identified in the inspection report. These matters will be pursued during future inspections.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

The responses directed by this letter and its enclosure are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

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Should you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact us.

Sincerely,

/s/
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Regional Administrator

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