NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Virginia Electric and Power Company Docket No.: 50-281
Surry 2 License No.: DPR-37

During an NRC inspection conducted on March 24 through May 4, 1996, a violation 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:

Technical Specification (TS) 3.21.A.5 requires that the low pressure carbon dioxide system be operable to the extent that when equipment in the emergency diesel generator (EDG) rooms is required to be operable, fire suppression can be provided upon demand. TS 3.21.B.4 requires that with the required system in TS 3.21.A.5 inoperable, a continuous fire watch be established within one hour.

Contrary to the above, on April 8, 1996, the low pressure carbon dioxide system for the number 2 EDG room was inoperable when the EDG was required to be operable and a continuous fire watch was not established within one hour.

This is a Severity Level IV Violation (Supplement I).

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Virginia Electric and Power Company 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 II, 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 previously 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 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 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

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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 Atlanta, Georgia This 31 day of May, 1996