

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

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(Name and Address withheld in accordance with 10 CFR 2.790)

Dear

NRC Operator Licenses implicitly require consistent exercise of mature judgment in all matters related to nuclear safety. Your April 14, 1979 entry into a potentially high radiation area in violation of the facility Technical Specifications, VEPCO procedures and Commission's regulations demonstrate a failure to follow basic radiation protection requirements and a serious lack of good judgment. Accordingly, you are put on notice that future occurrences of such flagrant violations of requirements or demonstration of poor judgment may result in stringent NRC enforcement actions, including license modifications, revocations, or suspensions and civil penalties. This Commission will not hesitate to take such action for failure to observe any terms or conditions of licenses, or any rule, regulation or Order of the Commission or any conduct determined to be a hazard to safe operation of the facility.

Letters are being sent to all NRC Operator Licensees notifying them of our intention to consider taking enforcement actions directly against their licenses in all future cases where poor judgment raise concerns about their ability to perform their job functions safely or where NRC requirements are violated.

Sincerely,

Victor Stello, Jr. Director Office of Inspection and Enforcement

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