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Docket No. 50-344

Portland General Electric Company 121 S. W. Salmon Street Portland, Oregon 97204

Attention: Mr. Charles Goodwin, Jr. Assistant Vice President

Gentlemen:

This Information Notice is being reissued to correct a word omission and a punctuation error that, when taken together, completely changed the intent of a statement. The changed statement is underlined in the test of the Information Notice.

It is requested that the facility licensee provide copies of this Information Notice to all NRC licensed individuals at the facility. No specific response is requested at this time. If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact the Director of the appropriate NRC Regional Office.

Sincerely,

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R. H. Engelken Director

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NRC ENFORCEMENT POLICY - NRC LICENSED INDIVIDUALS

Background:

In the past, NRC licensed individuals have been cited by the NRC for failure to comply with the conditions of their licenses. These items of noncompliance can generally be characterized as serious or repeated failures to follow reactor operating procedures. Two recent events involving the radiation overexposure of NRC licensed individuals through their violation of utility procedures, facility Technical Specifications and the Code of Federal Regulations have raised questions about the exercise of their responsibilities.

The purpose of this Information Notice is two-fold:

- To remind the NRC licensed individuals of their responsibilities, not only in the proper operation of the facility controls, but in compliance with the facility administrative procedures, and
- (2) To summarize the enforcement sanctions available to the NRC for use against licensed individuals.

Description of Circumstances:

1. Responsibilities

Facility licensees are charged with the responsibility to design, construct and operate their plants in accordance with NRC requirements to assure that public health and safety are protected. The role of NRC licensed individuals is no less important in the overall Regulatory scheme. The NRC recognizes that timely actions by NRC licensed individuals are an important part of safety. Reliance on these actions is a part of the defense-in-depth concept

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- Only licensed operators are per that directly affect reactivity
- (2) Licensed operators are required all times during the operation

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