

May 5, 1980

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OFFICE OF INSPECTION AND ENFORCEMENT
NOTIFICATION OF SIGNIFICANT ENFORCEMENT ACTION

Licensee: Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corporation
Westborough, Massachusetts
(Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station)
Docket No. 50-251 (License No. DPR-28)

Subject: PROPOSED IMPOSITION OF A CIVIL PENALTY - \$4,000

This is to inform the Commission that a Notice of Violation and a Notice of Proposed Imposition of a Civil Penalty in the amount of Four Thousand Dollars will be issued on or about May 7, 1980, to Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corporation. This action is based on an alleged item of noncompliance relating to the delivery of a package of low specific activity radioactive material to a carrier for transport with a radiation dose rate exceeding 200 millirem per hour. A news release has been prepared and will be issued about the time the licensee receives the Notices. The State of Vermont will be informed.

It should be noted that the licensee has not been specifically informed of the enforcement action. The schedule of issuance and notification is:

Action signed	5/5/80
Mailing of Notices	5/7/80
Telephone Notification of Licensee	5/7/80
Telephone Notification of State	5/7/80
NRC News Release	5/9/80

The licensee has 25 days from the date of the Notice in which to respond. Following NRC staff evaluation of the response, the civil penalty may be remitted, mitigated or imposed by Order.

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