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OCT 18 1989

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Docket No. 50-312

Rancho Seco Nuclear Generating Station
Sacramento Municipal Utility District
14440 Twin Cities Road
Herald, California 95638-9799

Attention: Mr. D. R. Keuter, Assistant General Manager
Nuclear

Gentlemen:

Subject: NRC Inspection of Rancho Seco

This refers to the routine inspection conducted by Messrs. A. D'Angelo, C. Myers and P. Qualls of this office on July 22 through September 8, 1989, of activities authorized by NRC License No. DPR-54, and to the discussion of our findings held with Mr. Keuter and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during this inspection are described in the enclosed inspection report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspectors.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that one of your activities was not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements, as set forth in the Notice of Violation, enclosed herewith as Appendix A. The violation pertains to the failure to promptly initiate a Potential Deviation from Quality (PDQ) report following a diesel failure. We are concerned that this violation is similar to a violation identified in late 1988, as documented in report 50-312/88-33. We encourage you to take thorough corrective action to prevent any further similar violations.

Your response to this notice is to be submitted in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201 as stated in Appendix A, Notice of Violation.

The response directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice 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.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790(a), a copy of this letter and the enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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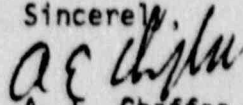
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Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,



A. E. Chaffee, Deputy Director
Division of Reactor Safety
and Projects

Enclosures:

- A. Notice of Violation
- B. Inspection Report No. 50-312/89-13

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