

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION REGION IV 611 RYAN PLAZA DRIVE, SUITE 1000 ARLINGTON, TEXAS 76011

May 16, 1977

Docket No. 50-313

Arkansas Power and Light Company ATTN: Mr. J. D. Phillips Senior Vice President Sixth and Pine Streets Pine Bluff, Arkansas 71601

Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. Blaine Murray of this office during April 25-27, 1977, of activities authorized by NRC Operating License No. DPR-51, and to the discussion of the inspection findings held by Mr. Murray with J. W. Anderson and other members of his staff at the conclusion of the inspection on April 27, 1977.

Areas examined during the inspection and our findings are discussed in the enclosed inspection report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examination of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspector.

Based on the results of the inspection, it appears that certain of your activities were not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements. The item and references to the pertinent requirements are listed in Enclosure 1 to this letter.

This letter constitutes a notice sent to you pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.201 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. Section 2.201 requires you to submit to this office within twenty (2) days of your receipt of this notice, a written statement or explanation in reply including: (1) corrective steps which have been or will be taken by you, and the results achieved; (2) corrective steps which will be taken to avoid further violations; and (3) the date when full compliance will be achieved.

During this inspection it was also found that one of your activities appeared to deviate from Reg. Guide 1.101. This item and reference to the specific item is listed in Enclosure 2 to this letter. In your reply please include your comments concerning this item, a description of steps that will be taken to prevent recurrence, and date corrective action will be completed.

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In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosed inspection report will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room. If this report contains any information that you believe to be proprietary, it is necessary that you make a written application within 20 days to this office to withhold such information from public disclosure. Any such application must include a full statement of the reasons it is claimed that the information is proprietary. It should be prepared so that proprietary information identified is contained in a separate part of the document, since the application, excluding this separate part, will also be placed in the Public Document Room. If we do not hear from you in this regard within the specified period, the report will be placed in the Public Document Room.

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

Sincerely,

7. L. Wester for

G. L. Madsen, Chief Reactor Operations and Nuclear Support Branch

Enclosures: 1. Notice of Violation 2. IE Inspection Report No. 50-313/77-08



