

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

March 13, 1978

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Docket No. 50-313

Arkansas Power and Light Company
ATTN: William Cavanaugh III
Executive Director of Generation
and Construction
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Little Rock, Arkansas 72203

Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Messrs. E. H. Johnson and W. D. Johnson of our staff on February 13-16, 1978, of activities authorized by NRC Operating License No. DPR-51 for the Arkansas Nuclear One, Unit 1 facility, and to the discussion of our findings held with members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during the inspection and our findings are discussed 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.

During this inspection it was found that certain of your activities were not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements, as set forth in the Notice of Violation, enclosed herewith as Enclosure (1). This notice is 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 20 days of your receipt of this notice, a written statement or explanation in reply including: (1) corrective steps which have been taken by you, and the results achieved: (2) corrective steps which will be taken to avoid further noncompliance; and (3) the date when full compliance will be achieved.

In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "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 or your contractors 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 why it is claimed that the information is proprietary. The

application should be prepared so that proprietary information identified in the application is contained in a separate part of the document. 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,

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

Enclosures:

1. Appendix A - Notice of Violation

2. IE Inspection Report No. 50-313/78-04