



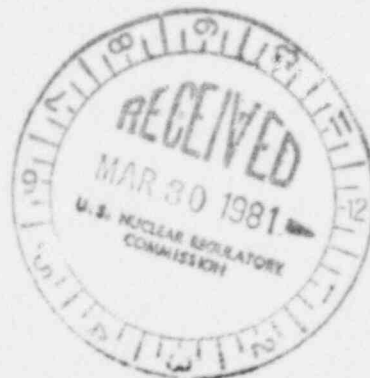
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March 20, 1981

In Reply Refer To:
Docket Nos. 50-313/80-24
50-368/80-24

Arkansas Power and Light Company
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Gentlemen:

Thank you for your letter of March 5, 1981, in reply to our letter and Notice of Violation dated February 5, 1981. The Notice of Violation was issued as a result of conditions identified by the Resident Inspector and our review of your August 27, 1980 commitment to establish certain administrative controls of keys to doors to high radiation areas.

Our re-evaluation of the Notice of Violation, the mitigating circumstances discussed in your March 5, 1981 letter, discussions with cognizant on-site personnel, and our continuing on-site inspection efforts indicated that the lack of an immediate threat to the health and safety of the public, or to your personnel, does not warrant the original classification by Region IV of this item as a Severity Level IV violation. Therefore, this item is reclassified as a deviation. We are concerned, however, with your failure to fully implement the corrective action you committed to take in your August 27, 1980 letter. As you know, the corrective action you failed to implement was designed to prevent the conditions identified by the Resident Inspector during a routine inspection.

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

Sincerely,

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