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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT 50-313/94-12; 50-368/94-12

This refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. S. J. Campbell and Ms. L. J. Smith on February 2-8, 1994. The inspection included a review of activities authorized for your Arkansas Nuclear One, Units 1 and 2, facility. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed report.

Areas examined during the inspection are identified in the report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observation of activities in progress.

Based on the results of this inspection, two apparent violations were identified and are being considered for escalated enforcement action in accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions" (Enforcement Policy), 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C. Accordingly, no Notice of Violation is presently being issued for these inspection findings. Please be advised that the number and characterization of apparent violations described in the enclosed inspection report may change as a result of further NRC review.

The first apparent violation is the failure to comply with the Technical Specification action statement for placing the unit in hot shutdown within the allowed time because an emergency feedwater flow path was inoperable. This violation is significant because 15 licensed operators failed to recognize that an emergency feedwater flow path was inoperable as a result of a drifting level transmitter indication and, as a consequence, failed to perform a Technical Specification required plant shutdown.

The second apparent violation involves multiple failures to comply with facility procedures as required by the Technical Specifications. Reactor control board operators failed to perform licensed responsibilities described in the conduct of operations procedure and the log taking procedure. This

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apparent violation is of concern because a lack of ownership and questioning attitude by a number of reactor control board operators resulted in several missed opportunities to identify the inoperable level transmitter.

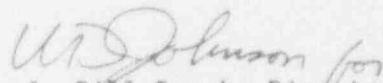
An enforcement conference to discuss these apparent violations has been scheduled for March 8, 1994, at 1 p.m. The decision to hold an enforcement conference does not indicate that the NRC has determined that a violation has occurred or that enforcement action will be taken. The purposes of this conference are to discuss the apparent violations, their causes and safety significance; to provide you the opportunity to point out any errors in our inspection report; and to provide an opportunity for you to present your proposed corrective actions. In addition, this is an opportunity for you to provide any information concerning your perspective on: (1) the severity of the issues, (2) the application of the factors that the NRC considers when it determines the amount of a civil penalty that may be assessed in accordance with Section VI.B.2 of the Enforcement Policy, and (3) the possible basis for exercising application of the Enforcement Policy to this case, including the exercise of discretion in accordance with Section VII. You will be advised by separate correspondence of the results of our deliberations on this matter. No response regarding these apparent violations is required at this time.

This enforcement conference will be open to public observation in accordance with the Commission's trial program as discussed in the enclosed Federal Register notice (Enclosure 2). Although not required, we encourage you to provide your comments on how you believe holding this conference open to public observation affected your presentation and your communications with the NRC.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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

Sincerely,


A. Bill Beach, Director
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Enclosures:

1. Appendix - NRC Inspection Report
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2. Federal Register Notice

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