OFFICE OF INSPECTION AND ENFORCEMENT NOTIFICATION OF SIGNIFICANT ENFORCEMENT ACTION

Licensee: Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corporation

Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Station Docket No. 50-271, License No. DPR-28

Subject: PROPOSED IMPOSITION OF CIVIL PENALTY - \$40,000

This is to inform the Commission that a Notice of Violation and a Notice of Proposed Imposition of Civil Penalty in the amount of \$40,000 will be issued to the Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corporation on or about October 15, 1982. This action is based upon one violation concerning the failure of station personnel to promptly recognize changes in the status of safety-related equipment and, therefore, to promptly classify and report events in accordance with the emergency plan.

It should be noted that the licensee has not been specifically informed of the enforcement action. The Regional Administrator has been authorized by the Director of Inspection and Enforcement to sign this action. The schedule of issuance and notification is:

Mailing of Notice October 15, 1982
Telephone Notification of Licensee October 15, 1982

A news release will be issued at about the time the license receives the Notice. The State of Vermont will be notified.

The licensee has 30 days from the date of the Notice in which to respond. Following NRC Staff evaluation of the response, the civil penalties may be remitted, mitigated or imposed by Order.

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