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Nebraska Public Power District ATTN: Guy R. Horn, Vice President - Nuclear P.O. Box 98 Brownville, Nebraska 68321

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT 50-298/94-06 (NOTICE OF VIOLATION)

This refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. W. M. McNeill of this office and Mr. K. A. Connaughton of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation on January 31 through February 4, 1994. The inspection included a review of activities authorized for your Cooper Nuclear Station facility. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with you and those members of your staff identified in the enclosed report.

Areas examined during the inspection are identified in the report. The areas included your program pursuant to 10 CFR 50.59 for performing safety evaluations and the implementation of your program. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observation of activities in progress. The purpose of the inspection was to determine whether activities authorized by the license were conducted safely and in accordance with NRC requirements.

Based on the results of this inspection, certain licensed activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice).

Although 10 CFR 2.201 provides for a written statement of explanation to this office within 20 days of your receipt of this Notice, based on our review during this inspection of your corrective actions, including your root cause analysis, no response with respect to this matter is required. 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.

The inspectors also identified that two 10 CFR 50.59 screenings failed to identify that the plant as described in the safety analysis report was changed. This was in violation of the implementing procedure. This violation is not being cited because the criteria in paragraph VII.B.(1) of Appendix C to 10 CFR Part 2 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," were satisfied.

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

Thomas P. Gwynn, Director Division of Reactor Safety

Enclosures:

 Appendix A - Notice of Violation
 Appendix B - NRC Inspection Report 50-298/94-06 w/attachments

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