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Docket No.: 50-339
License No.: NPF-7
NOED 2-94-03

Virginia Electric and Power Company
ATTN: Mr. W. L. Stewart
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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF ENFORCEMENT DISCRETION FOR VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER
COMPANY REGARDING NORTH ANNA UNIT 2

By letter dated March 11, 1994, you requested the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) to exercise discretion not to enforce compliance with the required actions in Technical Specification (TS) 3.7.1.2 which required an inoperable auxiliary feedwater (AFW) pump to be restored to operable status within 72 hours or be in at least Hot Shutdown within the following 6 hours. The discretion would permit continued operation of North Anna Unit 2 in MODE 1 for an additional 24 hours beyond the 72 hours specified in TS 3.7.1.2 to effect repairs to the steam-driven AFW pump. By a telephone conference on March 11, 1994, at 11:00 a.m., you informed the NRC that North Anna Unit 2 compliance with TS 3.7.1.2 would require the plant to be in Hot Shutdown by 5:03 a.m. on March 12, 1994. You provided as justification for continued operation an assessment that concluded that an allowance for the additional time was acceptable due to the availability of redundant equipment.

As compensatory actions, you stated that no planned maintenance would be performed on the motor-driven AFW pumps; no planned maintenance would be performed in the switchyard; no planned maintenance would be performed on the emergency diesel generators which were all operable; all main feedwater pumps were available with no maintenance planned during this time period; all condensate pumps were available with no maintenance planned during this time period, and operating shifts would be briefed on the actions of abnormal procedure AP-22.1, Loss of 2-FW-P-2 Turbine Driven Auxiliary Feedwater Pump.

Based on our review of your justification, including the compensatory measures identified above, we have concluded that this course of action involves minimum or no safety impact, and we are clearly satisfied that this exercise of enforcement discretion is warranted from a public health and safety perspective. Therefore, we will not enforce compliance with TS 3.7.1.2 for the period from 5:03 a.m. on March 12, 1994, to 5:03 a.m. on March 13, 1994. This discretion was granted by the Acting Deputy Regional Administrator and verbally conveyed to Mr. J. P. O'Hanlon, Virginia Electric and Power Company,

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by Mr. J. R. Johnson, NRC, on March 11, 1994. It is our understanding that repairs were completed on the AFW pump and you exited the TS 3.7.1.2 action statement at 8:52 a.m., on March 12, 1994. Therefore, this discretion has been terminated. However, we will consider enforcement action, as appropriate, for the conditions that led to the need for this exercise of enforcement discretion.

Sincerely,

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