

APPENDIX A

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Hoke Incorporated
Spartanburg, South Carolina

Docket No.: 99901205/90-01

During an inspection conducted at Hoke Incorporated (HI), Assembly and Test Facility, Spartanburg, South Carolina on September 17-20, 1990 a violation of Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) requirements was identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedures for NRC Enforcement Actions," 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C (1990), the violation is listed below:

- A. Section 21.21, "Notification of failure to comply or existence of a defect," of 10 CFR Part 21 states, in part, that each individual or other entity subject to the regulations in this part shall adopt appropriate procedures to provide for evaluating deviations or informing the licensee or purchaser of the deviation in order that the licensee or purchaser may cause the deviation to be evaluated.

Contrary to the above Hoke, Quality Instruction (HQI)-174, "Reporting of Defects and Noncompliance," Revision B, dated April 19, 1989 provides for evaluating or notifying licensees or purchasers of only those nonconformances affecting a pressure boundary safety-related component. HI procedure HQI-147 failed to address the evaluation of or informing licensees or purchasers of deviations, defined in Section 21.3, "Definitions," of 10 CFR Part 21 as a departure from the technical requirements included in a procurement document. Deviations that affect non-pressure boundary components can create a substantial safety hazard and HI may have failed to evaluate them or inform licensees or purchasers of the deviation in order that the licensee or purchaser may cause the deviation to be evaluated.

This is a Severity Level IV Violation (Supplement VII)

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, HI is hereby required to submit a written statement or explanation to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, D.C. 20555 with a copy to the Chief, Vendor Inspection Branch, Division of Reactor Inspection and Safeguards, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, within 30 days of the date of the letter transmitting this Notice of Violation. This reply should be clearly marked as a "Reply to a Notice of Violation" and should include for the violation: (1) the reason for the violation, or, if contested, the basis for disputing the violation, (2) the corrective steps that have been taken and the results achieved, (3) the corrective steps that will be taken to avoid further violations, and (4) the date when full compliance will be achieved. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland
this 19 day of DECEMBER, 1990

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