

APPENDIX A

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Northeast Nuclear Energy Company
Millstone Nuclear Power Station Unit 1

Docket No. 50-245
License No. DPR-21

During an NRC inspection conducted on September 18 - November 15, 1990, a violation of NRC requirements was identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C (1990), the violation is listed below:

Plant technical specification 3.8.B, Radioactive Gaseous Effluent Monitoring Instrumentation, Action Statement 1.a requires that with a channel alarm trip setpoint less conservative than required by specifications, without delay suspend the release of radioactive gaseous effluents monitored by the affected channel, or declare the channel inoperable, or change the setpoint so it is acceptably conservative.

Contrary to the above, on August 13, 1990, the licensee determined that from July 5 through August 13, 1990, both channels of the steam jet air ejector radiation monitoring system had been operated with non-conservative trip setpoints. During this period, the licensee failed to either suspend the release of radioactive gaseous effluents monitored by the affected channels, declare the channels inoperable, or change the setpoints to be acceptably conservative.

This is a Severity Level IV Violation (Supplement I).

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Northeast Nuclear Energy Company 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 Regional Administrator, Region I, and a copy to the NRC Resident Inspector, within 30 days of the date of the letter transmitting this Notice of Violation (Notice). This reply should be clearly marked as a "Reply to a Notice of Violation" and should include for each 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. If an adequate reply is not received within the time specified in this Notice, an order may be issued to show cause why the license should not be modified, suspended, or revoked, or why such other action as may be proper should not be taken. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

Dated at King of Prussia, Pennsylvania
this 28th day of December 1990.