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Dear Mr. Streeter:

PRAIRIE ISLAND NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT
DOCKET NOS. 50-282 AND 50-306

In response to your letter of October 13, 1982, which transmitted Inspection Reports 50-282/82-16 and 50-306/82-16, the following is offered:

Violation

Technical Specification 6.5 requires implementation of procedures of the fire protection program. Administrative Control Directive 5 ACD 3.13, "Fire Prevention Practices," requires that "No Smoking" signs shall be posted in safety-related areas and that smoking shall not be permitted in such areas except for the Control Room.

Contrary to the above, at 11:30 A.M. (CDT) on September 14, 1982, the inspector observed:

- a. "No Smoking" signs were not posted in the 12 Diesel Cooling Water Pump Room which is a safety-related area.
- b. Two operators were smoking cigarettes in the 12 Diesel Cooling Water Pump Room while they were conducting a surveillance test.

This is a Severity Level V violation (Supplement I).

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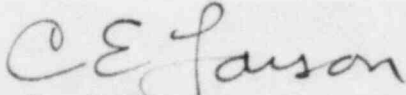
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Response

- a. "No Smoking" signs have been posted in the Diesel Cooling Water Pump Rooms and all other safety-related areas have been reviewed to assure signs are posted. Full compliance has been achieved.
- b. The individuals involved have been reinstructed regarding smoking in all safety-related areas. The Plant Manager has sent a letter to all plant personnel reminding them of the restrictions on smoking in all safety-related areas. Full compliance has been achieved.

Sincerely,



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