NOTIFICATION OF SIGNIFICANT ENFORCEMENT ACTION

Licensee: Public Service Electric and Gas Company, Newark, NJ

Docket No. 50-272

Salem Unit 1

Subject: IMPOSITION OF CIVIL PENALTY - \$850,000

EN 83-32, dated May 5, 1983 notified the Commission of the intent to issue a Violation and Proposed Imposition of Civil Penalties in the amount of Eight Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$850,000) to the Public Service Electric and Gas Company. The proposed violation was based on a violation of a Technical Specification requirement and failure to adequately implement certain aspects of the quality assurance program. The Technical Specification violation involved the failure of reactor trip breakers to be operable as required. The failure to establish a quality assurance program involved those program inadequacies that contributed to the Technical Specification violation. The licensee responded to the Notice in two letters dated July 6, and July 22, 1983.

After consideration of the licensee's responses, the staff concluded that the violations did occur and mitigation of the civil penalties is not warranted. Accordingly, an Order Imposing Civil Monetary Penalties in the amount of Eight Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$850,000) has been issued today. Under the terms of the Order, the licensee may, within 30 days of the date of the Order, pay the civil penalties or request a hearing.

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