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In Reply Refer To:
Docket: 50-482/83-18

Kansas Gas and Electric Company
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Gentlemen:

This refers to the investigation conducted by Messrs. Griffin, Driskill and Herr of the NRC Office of Investigations, Region IV Field Office during the period November 30, 1982-January 14, 1983, of activities authorized by NRC Construction Permit CPPR 147 for the Wolf Creek Generating Station.

This investigation was conducted to determine if untraceable, nonquality material was substituted in a safety-related pipe hanger at the direction of the contractor's supervisory personnel. The investigation consisted of selective examination of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the investigators.

During this investigation, it was found that certain of your activities were in violation of NRC requirements. Consequently, you are required to respond to this violation, in writing, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.201 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. Your response should be based on the specifics contained in the Notice of Violation enclosed with this letter. In addition, your response should address the following items specifically:

- Has hanger BG04-C033 been reworked with traceable material?
- Was hanger BG04-C033 reinspected in the summer of 1981 following identification of another counterfeit hanger? If it was, please explain why its degraded condition was not identified by that inspection.
- Has KG&F assured that no other hangers in safety-related systems have been degraded by improper material substitution?

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In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790(a), a copy of this letter and the enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room unless you notify this office, by telephone, within 10 days of the date of this letter, and submit written application to withhold information contained herein within 30 days of the date of this letter. Such application must be consistent with the requirements of 2.790(b)(1).

The response directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice is not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Action of 1980, PL 96-511.

Should you have any questions concerning this investigation, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

"Original Signed by:
W. C. SEIDLE"

W. C. Seidle, Chief
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Enclosures:

- 1. Appendix A - Notice of Violation
- 2. Appendix B - NRC Investigation Report Cover
Page and Summary Case Number 4-82-018

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