

ENCLOSURE 1

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Nebraska Public Power District  
Cooper Nuclear Station

Docket: 50-298  
License: DPR-46

During an NRC inspection conducted on August 14-17 and September 12-13, 1995, 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, the violation is listed below:

Criterion XVI of Appendix B to 10 CFR Part 50 states, in part, that measures be established to assure that conditions adverse to quality, such as failures, malfunctions, deficiencies, deviations, defective material and equipment, and nonconformances, are promptly identified and corrected.

Contrary to the above, from original licensing of the Cooper Nuclear Station in January 1974 until August 1995 a condition adverse to quality existed in that the high pressure coolant injection turbine exhaust piping was susceptible to water accumulation and created the potential for a waterhammer that could challenge design code allowable margins. The condition adverse to quality was not promptly identified and corrected in the past and recent opportunities to identify and correct the condition were also missed.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement I)(298/9511-01).

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Nebraska Public Power District 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 IV, and a copy to the NRC Resident Inspector at the facility that is the subject of this Notice, 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. Your response may reference or include previous docketed correspondence, if the correspondence adequately addresses the required response. If an adequate reply is not received within the time specified in this Notice, an order or a Demand for Information may be issued as to 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.

Because the response will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR), to the extent possible, it should not include any personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information so that it can be placed in the PDR without redaction. However, if it is necessary to include such information, it should

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clearly indicate the specific information that should not be placed in the PDR, and provide the legal basis to support the request for withholding the information from the public.

Dated at Arlington, Texas,  
this 26th day of September 1995