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October 19, 1995

Omaha Public Power District ATTN: T. L. Patterson, Division Manager Nuclear Operations Fort Calhoun Station FC-2-4 Adm. P.O. Box 399, Hwy. 75 - North of Fort Calhoun Fort Calhoun, Nebraska 68023-0399

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT 50-285/95-11 AND NOTICE OF VIOLATION

This letter refers to the engineering and technical support inspection conducted by Mr. Thomas F. Stetka and others of this office and the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation on August 7-25, 1995. The inspection included a review of the activities authorized for your Fort Calhoun Station facility. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with Mr. Gary Gates and those members of his staff identified in the enclosed report.

Areas examined during the inspection are identified in the report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observation of activities in progress. The purpose of the inspection was to determine whether activities authorized by the license were conducted safely and in accordance with NRC requirements.

Several strengths and weaknesses were observed in your engineering and technical support activities as discussed in the Executive Summary included in the enclosed report. The inspection determined that your staff provided effective engineering and technical support to plant operations. Nevertheless, the inspection results indicate the need for increased management attention to the implementation of administrative controls within the engineering organization at the station.

Based on the results of this inspection, the NRC has determined that a violation of NRC requirements occurred. This violation is cited in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice) and the circumstances surrounding it is described in detail in the subject inspection report. The violation involved failures to perform safety evaluations for changes to the facility.

You are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. In your response, you should document the specific actions taken and any additional actions you plan to prevent recurrence. Your response may reference or include previous docketed correspondence, if the correspondence adequately

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addresses the required response. After reviewing your response to this Notice, including your proposed corrective actions and the results of future inspections, the NRC will determine whether further NRC enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with NRC regulatory requirements.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice." a copy of this letter, its enclosures, and your response will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR). To the extent possible, your response should not include any personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information so that it can be placed in the PDR without redaction.

The responses directed by this letter and the enclosed Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, Pub. L. No. 96.511.

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

Sincerely.

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/Division of Reactor Safety

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Enclosures:

- 1. Notice of Violation
- NRC Inspection Report 50-285/95-11 w/attachments

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