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Docket Nos. 50-338, 50-339
License Nos. NPF-4, NPF-7

Virginia Electric and Power Company
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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF VIOLATION
(INSPECTION REPORT NOS. 50-338/91-25 AND 50-339/91-26)

This refers to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) inspection conducted by Mr. M. Lesser of this office on November 3, 1991 - December 7, 1991. The inspection included a review of activities authorized for your North Anna facility. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed inspection 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.

Based on the results of this inspection, certain activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice). We are concerned about Violation A, involving two valves required to be locked in position which were found unlocked, because it appears to be indicative of continuing problems with operator inattentiveness to details. We are concerned about Violation B, which involved an apparent misapplication of a test procedure used to conduct testing on an operable safety-related system. This inappropriately allowed steps to be written into this generic procedure without specific approval by the SNSOC. This, in addition to a failure to perform an activity screening checklist effectively bypassed your program for ensuring that tests do not involve unreviewed safety questions.

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. 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 and its enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

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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 letter, please contact us.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures:

1. Notice of Violation
2. NRC Inspection Report

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