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Subject: Response to Notice of Violation 50-461/95012-01

Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter provides the Illinois Power (IP) response to the Notice of Violation (NOV) documented in Inspection Report No. 50-461/95012. The subject NOV discusses an inadvertent entry into Mode 2 during Clinton Power Station (CPS) forced outage (FO) 95-04. When Mode 2 was inadvertently entered, applicable Technical Specification limiting conditions for operation (LCOs) related to average power range monitors and control room ventilation subsystems were not met in violation of plant Technical Specifications.

CPS Licensee Event Report (LER) No. 95-007-00 which was issued via IP letter U-602501 dated October 9, 1995, provides information relevant to the subject NOV. The information discussed in LER 95-007-00 adequately addresses the requirements noted in the subject NOV to provide, (1) the reason for the violation, (2) the corrective steps that have been taken and the results achieved, and (3) the corrective steps that will be taken to avoid further violations. NOV response requirement (4) requires that the date when full compliance will be achieved be provided. IP is now in full compliance with applicable Technical Specification requirements.

As noted in Inspection Report 50-461/95012, a number of personnel errors related to Technical Specification violations, some with similar causes, have been documented in previous NRC inspection reports. The report continues that CPS plant management was aggressive in addressing an increase in these types of errors following the fifth CPS refueling outage (RF-5) and that additional attention may be warranted in this area. CPS plant management continues to emphasize the importance of attention to detail, good


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communications, and the importance of self checking while performing assigned duties to all CPS personnel. While CPS management acknowledges that personnel errors can and do occur, the lessons learned from these errors can be used in a positive light which encourages improvements in personal attentiveness, self-checking, and communications.

Sincerely yours,


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