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OFFICE OF ENFORCEMENT
NOTIFICATION OF SIGNIFICANT ENFORCEMENT ACTION

Licensee: Carolina Power and Light Company (EA 92-024)
(Brunswick)
Docket Nos. 50-325 and 50-324

Subject: PROPOSED IMPOSITION OF CIVIL PENALTY - \$100,000

This is to inform the Commission that a Notice of Violation and Proposed Imposition of Civil Penalty in the amount of \$100,000 will be issued on or about March 25, 1992 to Carolina Power and Light Company. This action is based on inadequate work control related to the emergency diesel generators. The procedure used to degrease the EDG in preparation for painting was inadequate in that it specified use of a degreasing agent which left a residue that set up and prevented operation of the fuel racks. Though the fuel racks were required to be lubricated after cleaning, no signoff step was provided. Consequently, after being notified that the EDG was ready to be lubricated, maintenance personnel decided to postpone it until after the upcoming weekend. Two days later, the EDG received a valid start signal and failed. The base civil penalty was escalated by 100% for the Licensee's poor past performance.

It should be noted that the licensee has not been specifically informed of the enforcement action. The schedule of issuance and notification is:

Mailing of Notice March 25, 1992
Telephone Notification of Licensee March 25, 1992

The State of North Carolina will be notified.

The licensee has thirty days from the date of the Notice in which to respond. Following NRC evaluation of the response, the civil penalty may be remitted, mitigated, or imposed by Order.

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