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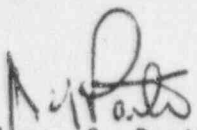
MEMORANDUM FOR: James Lieberman, Director  
Office of Enforcement

FROM: James G. Partlow  
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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

SUBJECT: PROPOSED LEVEL III VIOLATIONS - COOPER NUCLEAR STATION

The Division of Reactor Projects - III/IV/V has reviewed the Regional Enforcement Recommendation regarding Cooper Nuclear Station. We concur with the action proposed by the Region.

The review was performed to ensure that the violations were properly evaluated from an overall agency perspective, and has the concurrence of C. McCracken of the Division of Systems Safety and Analysis technical staff. NRR believes that the proposed enforcement action is appropriate and supports it. Our specific comments on the Enforcement Action are enclosed.

  
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Enclosure:  
As stated

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OFFICE OF NRR COMMENTS ON REGIONAL ENFORCEMENT RECOMMENDATION

EA 93-030

Were the violations technically accurate and factual?

Yes.

Did the region properly assess the root causes of the violations and the adequacy of corrective actions?

Yes.

Were the licensee's prior and current performance and prior notice of the violations properly reflected?

Yes, except that our review of Inspection Report 50-298/89-03 indicates that the discovery of the startup strainer in the fan coil unit in the RHR service water booster pump room occurred in May 1988, rather than in 1989 as stated on page 5 of the Enforcement Recommendation Worksheet and page 4 of the letter to the licensee. Also, on page 4 of the letter to the licensee, there is a reference to a "coil fan" unit. This should be changed to "fan coil" unit.

Is the regulatory significance of the violations or root causes properly evaluated?

Yes.

Is the licensee's position, if known, regarding the violations properly reflected?

Yes.

Is the message given to the licensee appropriate to the situation?

Yes.

Is a significantly different type of enforcement action appropriate (Order, Suspension, etc.), and if so, why?

No.

Any other comments on factual or technical issues.

The EA number on the NOV should be EA 93-030 rather than EA 93-010. Also, the NOV on the 50.9 violation states that the licensee's letter of December 1, 1992, was "...inaccurate and incomplete..." We suggest deleting the words "and incomplete," since the 50.9 violation is only for inaccuracy.

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