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References: 1.

Docket No. 50-285

Letter from OPPD (W. G. Gates) to NRC (Document Control Desk)

dated November 11, 1991 (LIC-91-305R)

Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: Losses of 161 kV System Since March 1989

During a discussion of Reference 2 (application to amend the operating license concerning 161 kV restrictions), Mr. Frank Ashe of the NRC technical staff asked if information existed to demonstrate the reliability of the 161 kV power source and the fast transfer function for Fort Calhoun Station.

Omaha Public Power District (OPPD) suggested, and Mr. Ashe agreed to. OPPD researching the issue for the preceding three years. OPPD has determined that three forced outages for the 161 kV power source have occurred since March 1989 for Fort Calhoun Station. After each forced outage, a successful fast transfer of the 161 kV power source occurred. Attachment A is the requested information that demonstrates reliability of the 161 kV power source and the fast transfer function. Attachment B is copies of the Fort Calhoun Station Control Room Log for the days in question.

If you should have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely

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FORCED OUTAGES OF THE 161 kV SYSTEM FROM MARCH, 1989 TO PRESENT

At this time, there is one 161 kV circuit feeding Fort Calhoun Station (FCS). That circuit (1588) is fed from Substation 1226. There are two 161 kV circuits which feed Substation 1226. Neither of these two circuits have experienced a forced outage since 1982. Additionally, a reliability study was conducted in March 1989. The study concluded that the from 1973 through March 1989, the reliability of Circuit 1588 was 99.8%.

DATE: March 4, 1989

> STATUS: Unit at mode 1. $T_s = 540.8^{\circ}$.

EVENT: Fault on 161 kV Circuit 1588 connecting Substation 1226 to the Fort Calhoun Station Switchyard. This fault

occurred during a winter storm when the transmission line

suffered the loss of several structures.

FAST TRANSFER: Successful. Safeguards buses 1A3 and 1A4 successfully

fast transferred to the 345 kV power feed.

EFFECT: No unit trip occurred.

161 kV OUTAGE DURATION: 6 Days, 7 Hours, 10 Minutes

ADDITIONAL INFO: The fault on the 161 kV line occurred during a sncwlice

storm with winds greater than 30 .ph.

CLASSIFICATION: Category: Operational

Specific: Line Material Failure

2. DATE: June 20, 1991

> STATUS: Unit at Mode 1. $T_c = 540.5^{\circ}$ F.

EVENT: Lost due to trip of Breaker 111. Lockout relay 86/TIA-4 tripped and locked out.

FAST TRANSFER: Successful. Safeguards buses 1A3 and 1A4 successfully fast transferred to the 345 kV power feed.

EFFECT: No unit trip occurred.

161 kV OUTAGE **CURATION:** 2 Hours, 43 Minutes

ADDITIONAL INFO: Investigation revealed that the Transformer TIA4 Lockout

Relay (86/TIA-4) tripped due to a spurious oil pressure relay operation. System Operations reset the pressure relay. The 86/TIA-4 relay was reset and the plant was returned to a normal electrical line up.

CLASSIFICATION: Category: Equipment Related

Specific: Accidental Tripping (relaying)

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3. DATE: November 30, 1991

STATUS:

Unit at Mode 1. T. - 540° F.

EVENT:

A broken insulator that was to be repaired is believed to have caused a fault of the 161 kV system approximately 15 minutes prior to a scheduled outage. See additional information below.

FAST TRANSFER:

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EFFECT:

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161 kV OUTAGE

DURATION:

7 Hours, 36 Minutes.

ADDITIONAL INFO:

The equipment failure (broken insulator) is believed to have been caused by a snow and ice storm the previous day. The insulator was repaired during the outage.

CLASSIFICATION:

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