December 6, 1995 EN 95-074

OFFICE OF ENFORCEMENT NOTIFICATION OF SIGNIFICANT ENFORCEMENT ACTION

Licensee:

Public Service Electric & Gas

(EA 95-216)

(Hope Creek)

Docket No. 50-354

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 December 12, 1995, to Public Service Electric and Gas Company. This action is based on four violations at Hope Creek classified in the aggregate at Severity Level III, including a procedural violation that led to a bypass of the shutdown cooling flow from the reactor, and an inadvertent change in the plant's operational condition from cold shutdown to hot shutdown for more than eight hours.

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 December 12, 1995 Telephone Notification of Licensee December 12, 1995

The States of New Jersey and Delaware 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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