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Docket No. 50-397

Washington Public Power Supply System
P. O. Box 968
Richland, Washington 99352

Attention: Mr. G. C. Sorensen
Manager of Regulatory Programs

Gentlemen:

Subject: NRC Inspection

This refers to the inspection conducted by Messrs. A. Toth and R. Waite of this office, during June 6 - July 6, 1984 of activities authorized by NRC Operating License NPF-21, and to the discussion of findings held by Mr. Toth with Mr. J. Afflerbach and other members of the Supply System staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during this inspection are described in the enclosed inspection report. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspector.

Based on the results of this inspection, it appears that certain of your activities were not conducted in full compliance with NRC requirements, as set forth in the Notice of Violation, enclosed herewith as Appendix A. Your response to this notice is to be submitted in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201 as stated in Appendix A, Notice of Violation.

The violation pertaining to the use of unapproved jumpers is indicative of two fundamental but separate safety issues. Specifically, (1) the procedure review process should identify procedures that are inconsistent with basic safety policy and (2) personnel executing procedures should be sufficiently trained to identify and respond accordingly to deviations from basic nuclear safety practices. Please include your assessment of these issues and their applicability to existing and future procedures in your response to the Notice of Violation.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790(a), a copy of this letter and the enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room unless you notify this office, by telephone, within 10 days of the date of this letter and submit written application to withhold information contained therein within thirty days of the date of this letter. Such application must be consistent with the requirements of 2.790(b)(1).

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The responses directed by this letter (and the accompanying Notice) are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be glad to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

T. W. Bishop

T. W. Bishop, Director
Division of Reactor Safety & Projects

Enclosures:

- 1. Appendix A, Notice of Violation
- 2. Inspection Report No. 50-397/84-18

cc w/enclosures:

- J. D. Martin, WPPSS
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