

September 24, 1984
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OFFICE OF INSPECTION AND ENFORCEMENT
NOTIFICATION OF SIGNIFICANT ENFORCEMENT ACTION

Licensee: Kansas Gas and Electric Company
Wolf Creek Generating Station
Docket No. STN 50-482

Subject: PROPOSED IMPOSITION OF CIVIL PENALTY - \$64,000

This is to inform the Commission that a Notice of Violation and Proposed Imposition of Civil Penalty in the amount of Sixty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$64,000) will be issued on or about September 27, 1984 to Kansas Gas and Electric Company. This action is based on discrimination by the licensee against an employee for engaging in a protected activity as a Quality Assurance Inspector. The discrimination was evidenced by a complaint filed by a Quality Assurance Inspector and affirmed by the Secretary of Labor, that he had been placed on probation, terminated, and refused reemployment for reporting quality assurance discrepancies and safety problems to the licensee's Quality Assurance Manager. The discrimination involved a management level above the first line of supervision.

It should be noted that the licensee has not been specifically informed of the enforcement action. The Regional Administrator has been authorized by the Director of the Office of Inspection and Enforcement to sign this action. The schedule of issuance and notification is:

Mailing of Notice September 27, 1984
Telephone Notification of Licensee September 27, 1984

A news release has been prepared and will be issued about the time the licensee receives the Notice. The State of Kansas 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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