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Docket No. 50-331

Iowa Electric Light and Power Company ATTN: Mr. Lee Liu Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer

IE Towers P. O. Box 351 Cedar Rapids, IA 52406

Dear Mr. Liu:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. T. J. Madeda of this office between May 4 and June 8, 1992. The inspection included a review of activities authorized for your Duane Arnold Energy Center facility. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed report.

The inspection was an examination of activities conducted under your license as they relate to safeguards and fitness for duty and to your compliance with the Commission's rules and regulations. The inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observation of activities in progress.

Based on the results of this inspection, certain of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice). The violations are of concern because of apparent weak management overview of specific aspects of your access control program. Although in one case you identified the specific issues in this matter, similar problems had been identified by the NRC in the past and effective action was not taken to prevent this violation.

You are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. In your response, you should document the specific actions taken and any additional actions you plan to prevent recurrence. After reviewing your response to this Notice, including your proposed corrective actions and the results of future inspections, the NRC will determine whether further NRC enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with NRC regulatory requirements.

Areas examined during this inspection concern a subject matter which is exempt from disclosure according to Part 73, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 73.21(c)(2). This information must be handled and protected in accordance with the provisions of 10 CFR 73.21. Consequently, Enclosure 1 to this letter, our report of the inspection (Enclosure 2) and your response to

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the . olations identified in Enclosure 1 to this letter will not be placed in the NRC Public Document Room. Therefore, your statement of corrective action regarding the violations identified in Enclosure 1 should be submitted as a separate enclosure to your transmittal letter in the manner prescribed. The Non-Safeguards Information, Enclosure 3 (Concern Review), will be placed in the Public Document Room. Therefore, your statement of corrective action regarding the violations identified in Enclosure 1 should be submitted in the manner prescribed.

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.

We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this inspection.

Sincerely.

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY W. L. AXELSON les E. Norelius, Director Division of Radiation Safety and Safeguards

Enclosures:

1. Notice of Violation

2. Inspection Report No. 50-331/92012 (SAFEGUARDS INFORMATION)

3. Attachment: Concern Review (NON-SAFEGUARDS INFORMATION)

cc w/enclasures: D. Wilson, Plant Superintendent - Nuclear K. Young, Manager, Nuclear Licensing NRR/DRIS/RSGB9D NMSS/HIGDON/4E4 OE Director

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bcc: D. Funk, RIII

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