In Reply Refer To: Docket: 50-298/85-01

Nebraska Public Power District ATTN: J. M. Pilant, Manager, Technical Staff-Nuclear Power Group P. O. Box 499 Columbus, Nebraska 68601

Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Messrs. I. Barnes, W. R. Bennett and C. C. Harbuck of this office during the period January 7-11, 1985, of activities authorized by NRC Operating License DPR-46 for Cooper Nuclear Station, and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. P. V. Thomason and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during the inspection included piping replacement activities, requalification training, and design changes and modifications. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examination of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspectors. These findings are documented in the enclosed inspection report.

During this inspection, it was found that certain of your activities were in violation of NRC requirements. Consequently, you are required to respond to these violations, in writing, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.201 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. Your response should be based on the specifics contained in the Notice of Violation enclosed with this letter.

We have also examined actions you have taken with regard to previously identified inspection findings. The status of these items is identified in paragraph 2 of the enclosed report.

The response directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice is 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.

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

Sincerely,

FEB 26 1985

E. H. Johnson, Chief Reactor Project Branch 1

Enclosures:

 Appendix A - Notice of Violation
 Appendix B - NRC Inspection Report 50-298/85-01

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