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Arkansas Power and Light Company
ATTN: Mr. John M. Griffin
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Gentlemen:

This refers to the letter dated August 24, 1984, from Arkansas Power and Light Company (AP&L) to the Director, Office of Inspection and Enforcement, NRC, in response to the Notice of Violation and Proposed Imposition of Civil Penalty sent to you with our letter dated July 25, 1984. Our letter and Notice described a violation which occurred at Arkansas Nuclear One, Units 1 and 2, which was noted during an NRC inspection conducted during the period of December 5 through December 8, 1983. This violation was discussed with you during an Enforcement Conference held with Mr. John Collins, Regional Administrator, Region IV, on March 9, 1984, and further addressed by AP&L in Mr. John Marshall's letter to the NRC, Region IV, dated March 16, 1984.

I have carefully considered your response. Your response does not contradict the fact that the violation was significant because it involved actual installation of material of indeterminate quality in a safety-related application; i.e., primary steam generator manway closure fasteners. This violation demonstrates the need for more effective control of vendors that supply safety-related material or services. However, as discussed in the Appendix to the enclosed Order Imposing a Civil Monetary Penalty, I have decided to mitigate the civil penalty 50% on the basis of your prompt and extensive corrective actions. Accordingly, I hereby serve the enclosed Order on Arkansas Power and Light Company imposing a civil penalty in the amount of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000).

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In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter and the enclosure will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room.

Sincerely,

James M. Taylor, Deputy Director Office of Inspection and Enforcement

Enclosure:

Order Imposing Civil Monetary Penalty

Arkansas Power and Light Company

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