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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT 50-445/96-04; 50-446/96-04 AND NOTICE OF VIOLATION

This refers to the inspection conducted by A. T. Gody, Jr., H. A. Freeman, and V. L. Ordaz-Purkey of this office on February 18 through March 30, 1996, at the Comanche Peak Steam Electric Station, Units 1 and 2, facility. The purpose of the inspection was to determine whether activities authorized by the license were conducted safely and in accordance with NRC requirements. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with those members of your staff identified in the enclosed report.

Areas examined during the inspection are identified in the report. Within these areas, 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, the NRC has determined that one violation of NRC requirements occurred. This violation is cited in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice) and the circumstances surrounding the violation are described in detail in the subject inspection report. The violation is of concern because it reflects a negative trend in procedural adherence. These four licensee-identified or self-revealing examples are being cited because they are indicative of the apparent degradation in compliance with equipment control procedures at the facility. In addition, this and other recent inspection reports detail other examples of personnel errors that resulted in events and conditions. Your corrective actions in response to this violation should be sufficiently broad to address this apparent negative human performance trend.

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. Your response may reference or include previous docketed correspondence, if the correspondence adequately addresses the required response. 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.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter, its enclosure(s), and your response will be placed in the NRC

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Public Document Room (PDR). To the extent possible, your response should not include any personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information so that it can be placed in the PDR without redaction.

The responses directed by this letter and the enclosed Notice are not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, Pub. L. No. 96.511.

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

Sincerely. un

J. E. Dyer, Director Division of Reactor Projects

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Enclosures:

1. Notice of Violation

2. NRC Inspection Report 50-445/96-04; 50-446/96-04

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