

ENCLOSURE 1

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corporation
Wolf Creek Generating Station

Docket: 50-482
License: NPF-42

During an NRC inspection conducted on May 5 through June 15, 1996, three violations of NRC requirements were identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," NUREG-1600, the violations are listed below:

- A. Criterion V of Appendix B to 10 CFR Part 50 requires, in part, that activities affecting quality shall be prescribed by documented instructions, procedures, and drawings appropriate to the circumstances and shall be accomplished in accordance with these instructions, procedures, or drawings.

Administrative Procedure AP 05-007, "Determination of Safety Classification," Revision 1, Step 6.2.5, requires engineering personnel to identify credible failure modes for the subcomponent and classify as safety-related any part whose failure could prevent the parent component from meeting its safety-related function.

Contrary to the above, on April 5, 1996, engineering personnel completed Safety Classification Analysis 96-0047, concluding that the packing for the turbine-driven auxiliary feedwater pump was nonsafety-related, without adequately dispositioning the potential for a packing failure as having the potential to render the turbine-driven auxiliary feedwater pump inoperable.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement I) (482/9611-01).

- B. Criterion XV of Appendix B to 10 CFR Part 50 requires, in part, that measures be established to control materials, parts, or components which do not conform to requirements in order to prevent their inadvertent use or installation.

Administrative Procedure AP 24E-001, "Identification and Control of Materials, Parts, and Components," Revision 0, Step 6.1.8.1, requires that the safety classification of items selected for use in safety-related systems, structures, or components be the same as the safety classification of the system, structure, or component unless the results of an engineering evaluation document performed by engineering determines it to be different. Step 6.1.10.2 requires the remarks section in the bill of material to be annotated to justify the selection of nonsafety-related parts for work on safety-related components.

Contrary to the above, on May 2, 1996, Work Package 112153 identified the use of a nonsafety-related material code without justification and nonsafety-related packing was installed in Motor-Driven Auxiliary

Feedwater Pump B. No engineering evaluation was performed prior to this installation.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement I) (482/9611-02).

- C. Criterion V of Appendix B to 10 CFR Part 50 requires, in part, that activities affecting quality shall be prescribed by documented instructions, procedures, and drawings appropriate to the circumstances and shall be accomplished in accordance with these instructions, procedures, or drawings.

Administrative Procedure AP 16C-001, "Action Request," Revision 0, Step 5.3.2, requires personnel to immediately notify the shift supervisor of any abnormal conditions that may be an immediate threat to plant personnel, equipment, or the general public, including potential plant operability or reportability concerns.

Contrary to the above, on May 3, 1996, the shift supervisor was not informed after engineering discovered that nonsafety-related packing had been installed in Motor-Driven Auxiliary Feedwater Pump B without the required performance of a safety classification analysis, causing the operability of the pump to come into question.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement I) (482/9611-03).

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corporation is hereby required to submit a written statement or explanation to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, D.C. 20555 with a copy to the Regional Administrator, Region IV, 611 Ryan Plaza Drive, Suite 400, Arlington, Texas 76011, and a copy to the NRC Resident Inspector at the facility that is the subject of this Notice, within 30 days of the date of the letter transmitting this Notice of Violation (Notice). This reply should be clearly marked as a "Reply to a Notice of Violation" and should include for each violation: (1) the reason for the violation, or, if contested, the basis for disputing the violation, (2) the corrective steps that have been taken and the results achieved, (3) the corrective steps that will be taken to avoid further violations, and (4) the date when full compliance will be achieved. Your response may reference or include previous docketed correspondence, if the correspondence adequately addresses the required response. If an adequate reply is not received within the time specified in this Notice, an order or a Demand for Information may be issued as to why the license should not be modified, suspended, or revoked, or why such other action as may be proper should not be taken. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

Because the response will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR), to the extent possible, it should not include any personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information so that it can be placed in the PDR without redaction. However, if it is necessary to include such information, it should clearly indicate the specific information that should not be placed in the

PDR, and provide the legal basis to support the request for withholding the information from the public.

Dated at Arlington, Texas
this 5th day of July 1996