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Docket No. 50-298  
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Nebraska Public Power District  
ATTN: Guy R. Horn, Nuclear Power  
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Dear Mr. Horn:

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-298/92-11

This refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. T. O. McKernon, and the inspectors identified in the attached report, of this office during the period July 20-24, 1992. The inspection included a review of activities authorized for the Cooper Nuclear Station. At the conclusion of the inspection, the findings were discussed with you and other members of your staff identified in the enclosed report.

Areas examined during the inspection included a review of your plant procedures and concerns related to your emergency operating procedures. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examination of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspectors. The inspection findings are documented in the enclosed inspection report.

Based on the results of this inspection, certain aspects of your activities appeared to be in violation of NRC requirements, as specified in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice). The violation is of concern because it indicates a lack of management attention with the maintenance of emergency operating procedures, and because a portion of your emergency support procedures could not be performed under certain accident conditions. Although this condition was initially identified by your staff, the NRC will not exercise enforcement discretion, as allowed by 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C, paragraph G, because corrective action was not completed within a reasonable time following discovery.

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 future NRC enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with NRC regulatory requirements.

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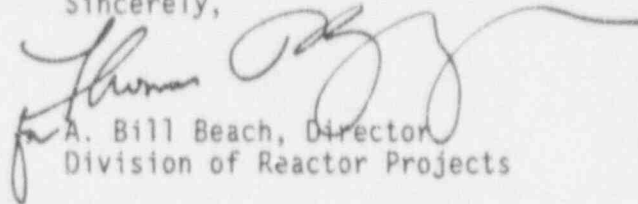
In addition, actions you have taken with regard to previously identified matters associated with NRC Information Notice 92-18 and NUREG 0737, Item II.B.2, were reviewed. The status of these items is identified in paragraph 2 of the enclosed report.

In accordance with 10 CFR Part 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosures will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room.

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,



A. Bill Beach, Director  
Division of Reactor Projects

Enclosures:

1. Appendix A- Notice of Violation
2. Appendix B- NRC Inspection Report  
50-298/92-11 W/Attachments

cc w/enclosures:

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