

January 27, 1997

South Carolina Electric & Gas Company
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SUBJECT: NRC INTEGRATED INSPECTION REPORT 50-395/96-14
NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Dear Mr. Taylor:

On December 28, 1996, the NRC completed an inspection at your V. C. Summer reactor facility. The enclosed report presents the results of that inspection.

During the 4-week period covered by this inspection period, your conduct of activities at the V. C. Summer facility was generally characterized by safety conscious operations, sound engineering and maintenance practices, and careful radiological work controls. A violation was identified for a failure to follow station housekeeping program requirements.

The violation is cited in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice), and the circumstances surrounding the violation are described in detail in the enclosed report. Please note that you are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. The NRC will use your response, in part, to determine whether further enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements.

Repetitive violations are addressed in the NRC's "General Statement of Policy and Procedures for NRC Enforcement Actions," (Enforcement Policy), NUREG-1600, Section IV.B. The Enforcement Policy allows the severity level of a violation to be increased if the violation can be considered repetitive. For example, a Severity Level IV violation could be increased to Severity Level III with the attending escalated enforcement action. However, in this case, we have decided not to increase the severity level of this violation based on the minor significance of the housekeeping condition and your overall satisfactory performance in this area.

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

Sincerely,

Original signed by George A. Belisle

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Docket No.: 50-395
License No.: NPF-12

Enclosures: 1. Notice of Violation
2. Inspection Report 50-395/96-14

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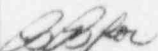

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