

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Public Service Electric and Gas Company  
Salem Nuclear Generating Station  
Units 1 and 2

Docket Nos. 50-272  
50-311  
License Nos. DPR-70  
DPR-75

In correspondence between November 5, 1996 and February 12, 1997, a violation of NRC requirements was identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," NUREG-1600, the violation is listed below:

1. 10 CFR 50.54(i-1) requires that the facility "shall have in effect an operator requalification program which must as a minimum, meet the requirements of 55.59(c)."

A. 10 CFR 55.59(c)(4)(i) requires that the "requalification program must include ... annual operating tests.

Contrary to the above, by January 1, 1997, PSE&G conducted a requalification program such that an annual operating test was not provided for fourteen Salem licensed operators in calendar year 1996.

B. 10 CFR 55.59(c)(1) requires that the "requalification program must be conducted for a continuous period not to exceed two years, and upon conclusion must be promptly followed, pursuant to a continuous schedule, by successive requalification programs."

Contrary to the above, PSE&G conducted one two-year training program that ended on August 31, 1996, and did not begin the next two-year training program until January 1, 1997.

These two examples comprise one Severity Level IV violation (Supplement 1).

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Public Service Electric and Gas Company 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 I, 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.

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Because your 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 you find it necessary to include such information, you should clearly indicate the specific information that you desire not to be placed in the PDR, and provide the legal basis to support your request for withholding the information from the public.

Dated at King of Prussia, Pennsylvania  
this 18 day of March 1997