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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT 50-313/97-13; 50-368/97-13 AND NOTICE OF VIOLATION AND NOTICE OF DEVIATION

Dear Mr. Hutchinson:

An NRC inspection was conducted May 12-16 and June 2-5, 1997, at your Arkansas Nuclear One, Units 1 and 2, reactor facilities, with in-office inspection and followup conducted during May 19-29, 1997. An exit meeting was conducted on June 5, 1997, with Mr. R. Edington and other members of your staff. The enclosed report presents the scope and results of that inspection.

The inspection identified a violation. The violation pertained to your failure to include all required ASME Code valves in the inservice test program and a failure to verify the ability of other valves, which were included in the inservice test program, to fulfill their closed safety function. This violation is of concern because of your failure to recognize that testing was required in order to maintain a valid double isolation configuration.

The inspection also identified a deviation. We are concerned about the deviation because it indicates a failure to meet commitments, and to make notification after identifying that failure.

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. The deviation is cited in the enclosed Notice of Deviation, and the circumstances surrounding the deviation 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 Notices 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.

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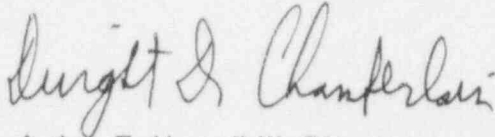


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Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,


fn Arthur T. Howell III, Director
Division of Reactor Safety

Docket Nos.: 50-313; 50-368

License Nos.: DPR-51; NPF-6

Enclosures:

1. Notice of Violation
2. Notice of Deviation
3. NRC Inspection Report
50-313/97-13; 50-368/97-13

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