

APPENDIX A  
NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Kansas State University  
Kansas State University Nuclear Reactor Facility

Docket: 50-188  
Operating License: R-88

During an NRC inspection conducted on March 8-10, 1988, a violation of NRC requirements was identified. The violation involved failure to meet the license conditions of a licensed operator. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C (1987), the violation is listed below:

Failure To Meet Licensed Operator License Conditions

The Code of Federal Regulations, 10 CFR 55.53(e) requires that operators shall actively perform a minimum of 4 hours of licensed operator activities per calendar quarter at a research reactor. If this requirement is not met, 10 CFR 55.53(f) requires that before resumption of functions authorized by a license issued under this part, an authorized representative of the facility licensee shall certify the following:

- (1) That the qualifications and status of the licensee are current and valid; and
- (2) That the licensee has completed a minimum of 6 hours of shift functions under the direction of an operator or senior operator as appropriate and in the position to which the individual will be assigned. The 6 hours must have included a complete tour of the plant and all required shift turnover procedures.

Contrary to the above, during the third calendar quarter in 1987, a licensed senior operator performed licensee functions for only 2 hours. The senior operator during the fourth calendar quarter in 1987 performed active license functions without being under the direction of another licensed individual.

This is a Severity Level IV violation. (Supplement I)(188/8801-05)

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Kansas State University is hereby required to submit to this office, within 30 days of the date of the letter transmitting this Notice, a written statement or explanation in reply, including for each violation: (1) the reason for the violation if admitted, (2) the corrective steps which have been taken and the results achieved, (3) the corrective steps which will be taken to avoid further violations, and (4) the date when full compliance will be achieved. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

Dated at Arlington, Texas,  
this 19<sup>th</sup> day of April 1988.