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September 4, 1998

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Steve Buehne
[HOME ADDRESS DELETED
PURSUANT TO 10 CFR 2.790]

SUBJECT: REPLY TO NOTICE OF VIOLATION
(NRC INVESTIGATION REPORT 4-96-065)

Dear Mr. Buehne:

Thank you for your letter dated June 20, 1998, in response to our letter and Notice of Violation dated May 27, 1998. Your letter restated the circumstances of the case and expressed some concerns about welding activities at Wolf Creek. Our review of your letter indicates that no new information was provided, and we note that concerns about Wolf Creek's welding program were reviewed and documented in NRC Inspection Report 50-482/97-13, which was attached to our May 27 letter to you. We consider this case closed, but we will continue to conduct inspections at Wolf Creek to ensure activities are conducted safely.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Michael Vasquez, Regional Enforcement Specialist, at (817) 860-8121 or (800) 952-9677.

Sincerely,

Ellis W. Merschoff
Regional Administrator

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