In Reply Refer To: Docket: 50-267/88-17

Public Service Company of Colorado

ATTN: Robert O. Williams, Jr.

Vice President, Nuclear Operations

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Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. H. D. Chaney of this office during the period July 24 through August 2, 1988, of activities authorized by NRC Operating License DPR-34 for the Fort St. Vrain Nuclear Generating Station, and to the discussion of our findings with you and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during the inspection included the radiation protection program. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examination of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the NRC inspector. The inspection findings are documented in the enclosed inspection report.

During this inspection, it was found that certain of your activities were in violation of NRC requirements. Consequently, you are required to respond to these violations, in writing, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.201 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. Your response should be based on the specifics contained in the Notice of Violation enclosed with this letter.

In addition, we are concerned regarding the deterioration of your respiratory protection program. Accordingly, you are requested to respond, in writing, within 30 days of the date of this letter, regarding steps you have taken to improve your respiratory protection program. We suggest that you use the recommendations and guidance in NRC Regulatory Guide 8.15 and NUREG-0041 when evaluating your respiratory protection program.

We have also examined actions you have taken with regard to previously identified inspection findings. The status of these items is identified in paragraph 2 of the enclosed report.

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

Sincerely,

Original Signed By
A. B. Beach
L. J. Callan, Director
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Enclosures:

 Appendix A - Notice of Violation
 Appendix B - NRC Inspection Report 50-267/88-17

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