

September 21, 1988

Director, Office of Enforcement
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attention: Document Control Desk
Washington, D.C. 20555

Re: Larry White
Docket No. 55-7359
License No. SOP-10509
EA 88-124

Dear Sir:

SUBJECT: REPLY TO NOTICE OF VIOLATION

On May 17, 1988, I participated in an Enforcement Conference, where I stated that I had violated Administrative Procedure A-7. Although I had relinquished my senior reactor operator's license in March of 1987, I had committed violations of A-7, while I was still licensed. On August 9, 1988, I was notified that my conduct would be classified as a Severity Level II violation, and that I would be assessed an \$800.00 civil penalty, if I admitted the violation charged. As directed by the Notice of Violation I received, I have admitted the violation, provided the reasons for it below, and I have enclosed the civil penalty of \$800.00.

Prior to March of 1987, while I was a licensed shift supervisor at Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station, I did at times read non-job related materials while I was on duty, and I would relax in my chair, with my feet up on the corner of my desk. I often remained in this position while surveying the Control Room. I would also let my attention wander from my duties, for short periods of time.

I permitted those under my supervision to read and to relax on shift. Furthermore, I saw an individual play a computer game and I did not stop him or report his actions. During the time I engaged in this conduct, and those under my supervision engaged in similar acts, I was aware that we were violating Administrative Procedure A-7, which demanded attentive behavior and a Control Room free of distractions.

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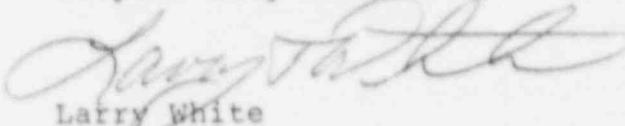
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I allowed myself to do this because I did not see it as a serious infraction. I had become frustrated over the years in trying to deal with Management and I just stopped caring about what I looked like and what my operators looked like. Although it took me a long time to realize it, my behavior generated a great deal of internal stress. As I became more sloppy in my duties, I grew increasingly uncomfortable with myself. Rather than work to change the system that caused me so much frustration, I decided to remove myself from it, by relinquishing my license prior to the date the Shutdown Order was issued.

Currently, I am working outside the main power block, attending to "outside" operating equipment such as the water and sewage treatment plants. Although I did not receive formal re-training from Philadelphia Electric Company, I did devote a lot of time to analyzing why I let myself, the public and the NRC down. I understand now that I must never let my opinion of a situation interfere with my duties, or allow me to excuse behavior that falls below the standard demanded of me. Although I am not licensed, I must still comply with all Plant rules both by setting a good example and by reporting conduct which breaks those rules.

I was not summoned to an Enforcement Conference, apparently because I had turned in my license. I requested a conference because I feel I needed to formally face up to what I had done. Admitting to the NRC that I failed will help me to finally put the stress this caused me behind me, and motivate me to continue in a worthwhile position in this industry.

Respectfully submitted,



Larry White

Enclosure: \$800.00 Penalty

cc: Regional Administrator
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COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA :
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COUNTY OF Y. R. A. :

Before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared LARRY WHITE, who being duly sworn according to law deposes and says that the statements made in his Reply to Notice of Violation are true and correct to the best of his information, knowledge and belief.

Sworn to and subscribed to before me this 26 day of Sept, 1988.

J. Kirk Anderson
Notary Public

(SEAL)
My commission expires:

J. KIRK ANDERSON, NOTARY PUBLIC
1017E GRANCFORD TOWNSHIP, YORK COUNTY
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES APRIL 21, 1991.
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