In Reply Refer To: Docket: 50-298/86-01

Nebraska Public Power District ATTN: J. M. Pilant, Manager, Technical Staff-Nuclear Power Group P. O. Box 499 Columbus, Nebraska 68601

Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. J. R. Boardman of this office and two consultants during the period January 6-10, 1986, of activities authorized by NRC Operating License DPR-46 for Cooper Nuclear Station, and to discussion of our findings with Mr. G. Horn and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during the inspection included the Cooper Nuclear Station (CNS) Maintenance Program, implementation of the CNS maintenance program, licensee action on previous inspection findings, and performance of maintenance activities in the electrical, instrumentation and control, and mechanical disciplines.

Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examination of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the inspectors. These findings are documented in the enclosed inspection report.

During this inspection, it was found that certain of your activities may be in violation of NRC requirements. Paragraphs 2a and 3b of the enclosed inspection report provide details of these potential violations. As discussed in the telephone conversation on March 13, 1986, with you, we have scheduled an enforcement conference in our office on March 26, 1986, to discuss these potential violations, the reasons for occurrence, and your corrective actions. We will also discuss any potential enforcement options available to the NRC, if appropriate.

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

Sincerely,

Original Signed By J. E. Gagliardo J. S. E. Gagliardo, Chief Reactor Projects Branch

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Enclosure: Appendix - NRC Inspection Report 50-298/86-01

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