

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Illinois Power Company
Clinton Power Station

Docket No.: 50-461
License No.: NPF-62

During an NRC inspection conducted between August 19 and October 1, 1998, one violation of NRC requirements was identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," NUREG 1600 (60 FR 34381; June 30, 1995), the violation is listed below:

Technical Specification 5.4.1.a requires that written procedures be established, implemented, and maintained covering the activities recommended in Regulatory Guide 1.33, "Quality Assurance Program Requirements," Revision 2, Appendix A, "Typical Procedures for Pressurized Water Reactors and Boiling Water Reactors," February 1978.

Regulatory Guide 1.33, Appendix A, Item 1.b recommends the licensee develop procedures addressing the authorities and responsibilities for safe operation and shutdown.

Section 8.2, "Alarm Response Main Control Room," of Procedure 1401.15, "Alarm and Transient Response," a procedure within the scope of Item 1.b of Regulatory Guide 1.33, requires, in part, that the operator responding to an alarming annunciator announce the annunciator, and whether it is expected, to the control room supervisor.

Contrary to the above, on September 9, 1998, the operator responding to an alarming annunciator on the area radiation monitoring system did not announce the annunciator, and whether it was expected, to the control room supervisor.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement I).

If you should choose to respond to this violation, you should submit a written statement or explanation to the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington, D.C. 20555 with a copy to the Regional Administrator, Region III, and a copy to the NRC Resident Inspector at the facility that is the subject of this Notice, within 30 days of the date of the letter transmitting this Notice of Violation. This reply should be clearly marked as a "Reply to a Notice of Violation." Your response may reference or include previous docketed correspondence if you so choose.

If you contest this enforcement action, you should also provide a copy of your response to the Director, Office of Enforcement, United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D. C. 20555-0001.

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Because your response will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR), to the extent possible, it should not include any personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information so that it can be placed in the PDR without redaction. If personal privacy or proprietary information is necessary to provide an acceptable response, then please provide a bracketed copy of your response that identifies the information that should be protected and a redacted copy of your response that deletes such information. If you request withholding of such material, you must specifically identify the portions of your response that you seek to have withheld and provide in detail the basis for your claim of withholding (e.g., explain why the disclosure of information will create an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy or provide the information required by 10 CFR 2.790(b) to support a request for withholding confidential commercial or financial information). If safeguards information is necessary to provide an acceptable response, please provide the level of protection described in 10 CFR 73.21.

In accordance with 10 CFR 19.11, you may be required to post this Notice within two working days.

Dated this 30th day of October 1998