

## NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Illinois Power Company  
Clinton Power Station

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

During an NRC inspection conducted between November 25, 1997, and January 22, 1998, two violations of NRC requirements were identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions, NUREG 1600 (60 FR 34381; June 30, 1995), the violations are listed below:

1. Technical Specification 3.5.2, "ECCS [Emergency Core Cooling System] - Shutdown," requires, in part, that two ECCS injection/spray subsystems shall be operable. With two required ECCS injection/spray subsystems inoperable, initiate action to restore isolation capability to each required secondary containment and secondary containment bypass penetration flow path not isolated.

Contrary to the above, between October 18 and December 16, 1997, isolation capability for each required secondary containment and secondary containment bypass penetration flow path not isolated was not restored in that surveillance testing for Containment Building Fuel Transfer Pool Ventilation Plenum Radiation - High instruments was not performed. Consequently, Secondary Containment Isolation Dampers 1VF04Y, "Fuel Building Supply Outboard Isolation," 1VF06Y, "Fuel Building Supply Inboard Isolation," 1VF07Y, "Fuel Building Exhaust Inboard Isolation Damper," and 1VF09Y, "Fuel Building Exhaust Outboard Isolation Damper," did not have isolation capability.

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

2. Technical Specification 3.8.8, "Inverters - Shutdown," requires, in part, that in Mode 4, one divisional inverter capable of supplying one division of the Division I or II onsite Class IE uninterruptible AC bus electrical power distribution subsystems required by Limiting Condition of Operation (LCO) 3.8.10, "Distribution Systems - Shutdown," shall be operable. With one or more required divisional inverters inoperable, the limiting condition for operation requires that actions be initiated to declare the affected required features inoperable immediately or suspend core alterations, suspend handling of irradiated fuel assemblies in primary and secondary containment, suspend operations with the potential to drain the vessel, and initiate actions to restore required divisional inverters to an operable status immediately.

Contrary to the above, from November 8 to December 28, 1997, the licensee did not initiate actions to restore required divisional inverters to an operable status immediately. Specifically, operations personnel failed to note the impact on the Division I and II inverters after declaring their respective room cooling fans inoperable.

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

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Illinois Power Company is hereby required to submit a written statement or explanation to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATT.: 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" and should include for each violation: (1) the reason for the violation, or, if contested, the basis for disputing the violation or severity level, (2) the corrective steps that have been taken and the results achieved, (3) the corrective steps that will be taken to avoid further violations, and (4) the date when full compliance will be achieved. Your response may reference or include previous docketed correspondence, if the correspondence adequately addresses the required response. If an adequate reply is not received within the time specified in this Notice, an order or a Demand for Information may be issued as to why the license should not be modified, suspended, or revoked, or why such other action as may be proper should not be taken. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

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, DC 20555-0001.

Under the authority of Section 182 of the Act, 42 U.S.C. 2232, this response shall be submitted under oath or affirmation.

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 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 bases 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.

Dated at Lisle, Illinois  
this 13th day of February 1998