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Otto L. Maynard, President and
Chief Executive Officer
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SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT 50-482/97-11 AND NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Dear Mr. Maynard:

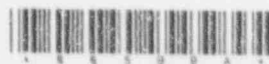
An NRC inspection was conducted June 29 through August 9, 1997, at your Wolf Creek Generating Station reactor facility. The enclosed report presents the scope and results of that inspection.

During this inspection, two cited violations of NRC requirements were identified in the plant support area. Violation A is of concern because it involves two examples wherein radiation workers failed to comply with dosimetry requirements of their radiation work permits, an issue that was also cited in NRC Inspection Report 50-482/97-10. Violation B involved failure to adequately assess an offsite electrical substation power interruption which caused a loss of six emergency plan notification sirens, resulting in your making a 10 CFR 50.72 report approximately 1 month late.

These violations are cited in the enclosed Notice of Violation (Notice) and the circumstances surrounding the violations are described in detail in the enclosed report. Please note that you are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice when preparing your response. The NRC will use your response, in part, to determine whether further enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.79C of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter, its enclosures, and your response will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR). To the extent possible, your response should not include any personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information so that it can be placed in the PDR without redaction.

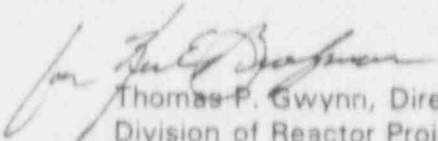
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Should you have any questions concerning this inspection, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,


Thomas P. Gwynn, Director
Division of Reactor Projects

Docket No.: 50-482
License No.: NPF-42

Enclosures:

1. Notice of Violation
2. NRC Inspection Report
50-482/97-11

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