In Reply Refer To: Docket: 50-298/86-30

Nebraska Public Power District

ATTN: J. M. Pilant, Manager, Technical Staff - Nuclear Power Group

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Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Messrs. W. M. McNeill and J. I. Tapia of this office during the period November 3-7, 1986, of activities authorized by NRC Operating License DPR-46 for Cooper Nuclear Station, and to the discussion of our findings with Mr. G. R. Horn and other members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during the inspection were onsite followup of written reports of two nonroutine events and actions you have taken with regard to previously identified inspection findings. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examination of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations by the NRC inspectors. The inspection findings are documented in the enclosed inspection report.

During this inspection, it was found that certain of your activities were in violation of NRC requirements. Consequently, you are required to respond to this violation, in writing, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2.201 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. Your response should be based on the specifics contained in the Notice of Violation enclosed with this letter.

Seven unresolved items are identified in paragraph 4 of the enclosed inspection report. You are also requested to address, in your written response, each of the unresolved items. The response should provide the additional information needed to resolve the issue.

The response directed by this letter and the accompanying Notice is not subject to the clearance procedures of the Office of Management and Budget as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1980, PL 96-511.

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

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Original Signed By
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J. E. Gagliardo, Chief
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Enclosures: (see next page)

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Enclosures:

1. Appendix A - Notice of Violation 2. Appendix B - NRC Inspection Report 50-298/86-30

cc w/enclosures: Guy Horn, Division Manager of Nuclear Operations Cooper Nuclear Station P. O. Box 98 Brownville, Nebraska 68321

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