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In Reply Refer To:  
Docket: 50-298/89-19

Nebraska Public Power District  
ATTN: George A. Trevors  
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Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Mr. P. C. Wagner of this office during the period of May 1-5 and 15-19, 1989, and Mr. A. Singh of this office during the period of May 15-19, 1989. The inspection was conducted of activities authorized by NRC Operating License DPR-46 for the Cooper Nuclear Station, and included discussions of our findings with Mr. Guy Horn and other members of your staff during, and at the conclusion of the inspection.

Areas examined during the inspection included motor operated valve testing, instrument calibration, piping supports, surveys of drywell temperatures, and diesel fuel oil conditions. The NRC inspectors also discussed the status of the actions being implemented in response to IE Bulletin 85-03, Information Notices 88-72 and 89-11, the implementation of Regulatory Guide (RG) 1.97 instrumentation, and the repair of electrical cables provided by General Electric Company.

As the result of the inspection of the implementation of RG 1.97, members of your staff committed to provide a revision to your December 4, 1985, submittal to the NRC by August 21, 1989. In addition, during the May 19, 1989, exit meeting, Mr. G. R. Horn of your staff committed to review all the calculations for the Class IN Pipe Support Code Qualifications performed by your contractor. We understand that this commitment will be completed, and modifications will be made if required, prior to startup from the present refueling outage. If our understanding of your commitment is not correct, please contact us at once.

We have also examined actions you have taken with regard to previously identified inspection findings. The status of these items is identified in paragraphs 6 and 7 of the enclosed 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.

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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.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By  
J. L. Milhoan

James L. Milhoan, Director  
Division of Reactor Projects

Enclosures:

1. Appendix A - Notice of Violation
2. Appendix B - NRC Inspection Report  
50-298/88-19  
w/attachments

cc w/enclosures:

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