In Reply Refer To: Docket: 50-298/89-22

Nebraska Public Power District ATTN: Mr. George A. Trevors Division Manager - Nuclear Support P.O. Box 499 Columbus, NE 68602-0499

Gentlemen:

This refers to the inspection conducted by Messrs. W. R. Bennett and G. A. Pick of this office during the period June 1-30, 1989, 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 included operational safety verification, monthly surveillance and maintenance observations, and onsite followup of events. 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.

We have also examined actions you have taken with regard to previously identified inspection findings. The status of these items is identified in paragraph 3 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.

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.

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Sincerely,

Original Signed By

James L. Milhoan, Director Division of Reactor Projects

Enclosures:

1. Appendix A - Notice of Violation 2. Appendix B - NRC Inspection Report 50-298/89-22

cc w/enclosures:

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