

November 19, 1996

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SUBJECT: NRC INTEGRATED INSPECTION REPORT 50-327/96-11 AND 50-328/96-11
NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Dear Mr. Kingsley:

On October 26, 1996, the NRC completed an inspection at your Sequoyah facility. The enclosed report presents the results of that inspection.

During the six-week period covered by this inspection, your conduct of activities at the Sequoyah facility was generally characterized by good operations and radiological work controls. We are concerned, however, about violations of NRC requirements that were identified. The first violation is associated with setpoints of the diesel generator starting air system relief valves, while the second is concerned with failure to install a temporary missile shield during excavation in the area of Essential Raw Cooling Water (ERCW) underground piping. In addition a special Inspection Report (327,328/96-13) documented several examples of poor maintenance and equipment failure evaluations.

The 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.

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Sincerely,

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Docket Nos.: 50-327, and 50-328
License Nos: DPR-77 and DRP-79

Enclosures: 1. NRC Integrated Inspection Report
2. Notice of Violation

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