

OFFICE OF ENFORCEMENT
NOTIFICATION OF SIGNIFICANT ENFORCEMENT ACTION

Licensee: Exelon Nuclear (EA-01-293)
(Limerick Unit 2 Generating Station)
Docket No. 50-353

Subject: ISSUANCE OF FINAL SIGNIFICANCE DETERMINATION AND NOTICE OF VIOLATION

This is to inform the Commission that a Notice of Violation associated with a White Significance Determination Process (SDP) finding will be issued on or around January 11, 2002, to Exelon Nuclear as a result of inspections at the Limerick Unit 2 Generating Station. This White finding, an issue with low to moderate increased importance to safety that may require additional NRC inspections, concerned Exelon's failure to have adequate measures in place to identify that the 2N Safety/Relief Valve (SRV) was in a degraded condition and was vulnerable to a failure to re-close after lifting. The NRC determined that a violation of 10 CFR 50, Appendix B, Criterion XVI existed due to the licensee's failure to identify the extent of the valve's degraded condition.

The licensee declined an opportunity to participate in a regulatory conference on this issue.

It should be noted that the licensee has not been specifically informed of the final significance determination and enforcement action. The schedule of issuance and notification are:

Mailing of Final Significance Determination and Notice of Violation	January 11, 2002
Telephone Notification of licensee	January 11, 2002

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