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**Carolina Power & Light Company**

H. B. ROBINSON STEAM ELECTRIC PLANT  
Post Office Box 790  
Hartsville, South Carolina 29550

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Robinson File No: 2-0-4-a-4

Serial: RSEP/81-1537

Mr. James P. O'Reilly, Director  
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Region II, Suite 3100  
101 Marietta Street  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

H. B. ROBINSON STEAM ELECTRIC PLANT, UNIT NO. 2  
DOCKET NO. 50-261  
LICENSE NO. DPR-23  
RESPONSE TO I.E. INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-261/81-20

Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

Carolina Power and Light Company (CP&L) has received and reviewed the subject report and provides the following response to the Notice of Violation.

Violation - Severity Level V

Technical Specification 6.8.2 requires that proposed operating procedures shall be reviewed by the PNSC and approved by the General Manager and that prior to implementation, proposed changes to these procedures must also be reviewed and approved in this manner.

Contrary to the above, on January 14, 1981, changes were made in the gas calibration step of Procedure RCP-1, "Calibration of the GeLi Spectroscopy System", without prior review by the PNSC or approval by the General Manager.

1. Admission or Denial of the Alleged Violation

Carolina Power and Light Company acknowledges the above violation.

2. The Reason For the Violation

Revision 2 to RCP-1, "Calibration of the GeLi Spectroscopy System", was approved by the Plant Nuclear Safety Committee (PNSC) on September 30, 1980. This revision applied a correction factor to efficiency curves for the 100cc gas vial used in the calibration.

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After the revision was approved, it was determined by the engineer in charge of the laboratory that the correction factor was not valid and therefore in order to obtain valid sample results the correction factor in the procedure should not be used. However, through oversight, the correction factor was not deleted from the procedure.

3. The Corrective Steps Which Have Been Taken and The Results Achieved

When the inspection finding was brought to the plant's attention, a temporary change (#816) was issued on July 22, 1981 deleting the correction factor from Procedure RCP-1. This temporary change was reviewed by PNSC and made permanent (Change #5079) on August 12, 1981.

Through discussion with those individuals involved it was concluded that this event was a result of an oversight and an isolated case of changing a procedure without the proper reviews. The individuals involved in this event were cautioned concerning the need to immediately initiate appropriate administrative action when it is determined that a procedure cannot be performed as written.

4. Corrective Steps Which Will Be Taken To Avoid Further Violations

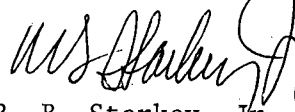
As this has been identified as an isolated case of oversight, no further action is considered necessary.

5. The Date When Full Compliance Will Be Achieved

Compliance was achieved upon making Temporary Change #816 on July 22, 1981.

Should you have any questions regarding these responses, please contact me.

Very truly yours,



R. B. Starkey, Jr.

General Manager

H. B. Robinson S.E. Plant

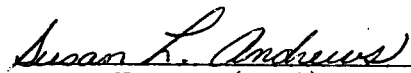
R. B. Starkey, Jr., having been first duly sworn, did depose and say that the information contained herein is true and correct to his own personal knowledge or based upon information and belief.

My commission expires:

June 4, 1984

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cc: V. Stello (1)

  
Notary (Seal)