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REPLY TO A NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Gentlemen:

This provides the Carolina Power & Light Company reply to the Notice of Violation identified in NRC Inspection Report 50-261/94-18, which was transmitted by letter dated August 11, 1994. The Notice of Violation involves the failure of a security operator to continuously monitor alarms at the Secondary Alarm Station.

As requested in the letter transmitting the Notice of Violation, the enclosure restates each violation, followed by our reply.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. R. M. Krich at (803) 383-1802.

Very truly yours,

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Violation

10 CFR 73.55(b) Physical Security Organization (3)(i) requires "Written security procedures that . . . detail the duties of guards . . . responsible for security."

The licensee's Physical Security Plan, paragraph 1.2.9 Security Organization Guard/Watchperson delineates their duties to be "Performing the duties specified in . . . security procedures."

Security Procedure No. 0004, "Guard/Watchperson Duties, Responsibilities and Procedures," paragraph 6.1.3 Secondary Alarm Station states, "Duties are as follows; Monitor the status of the security system, . . . Perform duties as assigned as long as duties do not interfere with Secondary Alarm Station functioning."

Contrary to the above, on June 6, 1994, the NRC Resident Inspector observed that the Secondary Alarm Station Operator was performing a duty which briefly interfered with monitoring the status of the security system.

Reply

Carolina Power & Light agrees that the violation occurred as described.

1. The Reason for the Violation

The violation was a personnel error resulting from inadequate self-checking practices by the Security computer operator at the Secondary Alarm Station (SAS). When an Instrumentation and Control technician attempted to enter the Primary Access Point building during the night shift, the Security computer operator momentarily diverted her attention from monitoring the SAS computer console to inform the technician that the building was closed. This action was inappropriate and clearly was an error in judgement by not using self-checking before an action is taken.

2. The Corrective Steps That Have Been Taken and the Results Achieved

Disciplinary action was taken with the involved SAS computer operator. The circumstances surrounding this event were disseminated to members of the Security force.

3. The Corrective Steps That Will Be Taken to Avoid Further Violations

While this violation was determined to be due to a personnel error, the training lesson plan for the Security Unit computer operator watches was reviewed to ensure that sufficient emphasis is placed on "visually, audibly, and physically" remaining in control of the computer console while logged on as the Security computer operator. As an enhancement, change was made to the lesson plan for the Central Alarm Station and SAS computer console operators that emphasizes this expectation.

4. The Date When Full Compliance Will Be Achieved

Full compliance has been achieved with the above corrective actions.