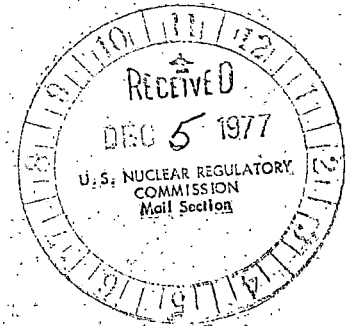


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DPR-37

Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

This is in response to your letter of November 3, 1977, in reference to the inspection conducted at Surry Power Station on September 19-23, 1977, and reported in I.E. Inspection Reports 50-280/77-27 and 50-281/77-27.

We have reviewed your letter and the enclosed inspection report. Our response to the specific non-compliance item is contained in the attachment to this letter.

We have determined that no proprietary information is contained in the reports. Accordingly, the Virginia Electric and Power Company interposes no objection to these inspection reports being made a matter of public disclosure.

Very truly yours,


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Attachment

cc: Mr. Robert W. Reid, Chief
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RESPONSE TO NON - COMPLIANCE ITEM REPORTED IN
IE INSPECTION REPORT NO. 50-280/77-27 and 50-281/77-27

NRC Comment

10 CFR 50.54 (i-1) states in part "... the licensee shall not except as specifically authorized by the Commission, make a change in an approved operator requalification program by which the scope, time allotted for the program or frequency in conducting different parts retraining program is decreased" Paragraph D of the approved retraining program dated June 19, 1974, states in part that each operator is rotated to one of the two relief shifts for a three (3) month period each year and while assigned to the relief shift, they will be made available for the classroom phase of the retraining program.

Paragraph B of the approved retraining program specifies the classroom phase will be conducted annually and references Appendix A for a detailed scheduled of subject matter to be included. Appendix A states "relicensing program a formal classroom course (3 weeks) to be covered for all licensed personnel on a periodic basis."

Contrary to the above, the classroom phase of the approved operator requalification program was changed in 1976 to approximately 10 training days instead of the required fifteen days. Additionally, three licensed senior reactor operators failed to attend from one to three of the scheduled training sessions in 1976; thus, further reducing the retraining provided these individuals (These particular sessions have not been repeated for these individuals in 1977).

Response

The infraction is correct as stated.

Specifically, pursuant to section 2.201 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice", Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, the following information is submitted:

1. Corrective steps taken and the results achieved:

All licensed personnel who are required to attend the lecture series outlined in the requalification program will receive fifteen (15) days of training this year.
2. Corrective steps taken to avoid further non-compliance:

A new requalification program was submitted to the NRC on October 14, 1977. All personnel not meeting the minimum requirements delineated in the approved have been re-instructed and future schedules placed in administrative control to ensure compliance.
3. Date when full compliance will be achieved:

Full compliance will be achieved by December 31, 1977.