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Mr. K. V. Seyfrit, Director
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Office of Inspection and Enforcement
Region IV
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Reference: Docket No. 50-285

Dear Mr. Seyfrit:

The Commission's letter dated July 1, 1981, requested information concerning the administrative and physical means which have been established for alerting and providing prompt instructions to the public within the plume exposure EPZ in the event of an emergency. This letter provides Omaha Public Power District's response to your request.

The administrative means for alerting the public were thoroughly addressed in the District's letter to the Commission dated June 26, 1981, concerning NUREG-0654, Rev. 1 (specifically pages 40 and 40.1-40.16).

The physical means for alerting the public were addressed in the District's letter to the Commission dated December 12, 1980 (page 8), which identified implementation dates for NUREG-0737, and June 26, 1981 (pages 39 and 39.1), concerning NUREG-0654, Rev. 1. These letters provided the description and schedule for implementing the Early Notification System (ENS) designed to meet the criteria in Appendix 3 of NUREG-0654, Rev. 1. The ENS will consist of 95 radio controlled outdoor sirens (24 sirens in Iowa and 71 in Nebraska) designed to ensure coverage of the 10 mile radius plume exposure zone. Siren installation is expected to be completed by November 1, 1981, with testing requiring 60 additional days. Thus, the earliest expected date for full implementation of the ENS is January 1, 1982.

Until the ENS is fully implemented, the District has agreements with local fire and police departments where they will alert the general public. Available methods are use of tornado warning sirens in the major population centers and use of portable notification systems for the outlying population. This interim system is detailed in the District's June 26, 1981, letter.

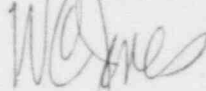
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The District believes appropriate administrative and physical means have been implemented and/or proposed to satisfy the Commission's requirement for alerting the public in the plume exposure zone during an emergency.

Sincerely,



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