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Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: Special Report on Inoperability of Fire Protection Equipment

The Omaha Public Power District (OPPD), holder of Operating License DPR-40, submits this report pursuant to the requirements of Fort Calhoun Station (FCS) Unit No. 1, Technical Specification (TS) 2.19, "Fire Protection System."

Technical Specification 2.19(7) requires that all penetration fire barriers protecting safety-related areas shall be functional (intact). With a penetration fire barrier non-functional, within one hour, either a continuous fire watch is to be established on at least one side of the affected penetration, or the operability of fire detectors on at least one side of the penetration is to be verified and an hourly fire watch patrol established. The non-functional penetration is to be restored to functional status within seven days, or a report is to be prepared and submitted to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission pursuant to TS 5.9.3 within an additional 30 days.

On March 3, 1993, Fire Protection Impairment Permits were initiated for Penetration Seal 19-E-30 and the block wall between Corridor 4 and Room 19. These impairments were required in order to support work on Component Cooling Water Heat Exchanger AC-1B. Appropriate compensatory fire watches were established when the barriers were breached. Due to the amount of work and time required on the heat exchanger, the penetrations were impaired for greater than seven days. Penetration Seal 19-E-30 and the block wall were returned to an operable status on April 2, 1993.

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