

# New Hampshire Yankee

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References: (a) Facility Operating License No. NPF-86, Docket No. 50-443  
(b) USNRC Letter dated April 1, 1991, "NRC Region I Inspection Report 50-443/91-02," J.R. Johnson to T.C. Feigenbaum

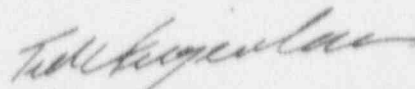
Subject: Reply to a Notice of Violation

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the requirements of the Notice of Violation contained in Reference (b), the New Hampshire Yankee response to the cited violation is provided as Enclosure 1.

Should you have any questions concerning our response, please contact Mr. James M. Peschel, Regulatory Compliance Manager, at (603) 474-9521, extension 2772.

Very truly yours,



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Enclosure

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Reply to a Notice of Violation

Violation:

During NRC inspection from February 8 - March 15, 1991, a violation of NRC requirements was identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," 10 CFR Part 2, Appendix C, that violation is cited below:

The Code of Federal Regulations, in 10 CFR 73.21(d)(2), requires that, while unattended, Safeguards Information shall be stored in a locked storage container. Also, the New Hampshire Yankee Records Management Manual, Chapter 3 "Document Receipt, Processing, and Control," Paragraph 6.4 requires that unattended Safeguards Information shall be stored in a locked security container.

Contrary to the above, on March 8, 1991, at about 8:55 p.m., unattended Safeguards Information was found to be stored in an unlocked security container in the administration building.

Response:

New Hampshire Yankee has determined that the cause of this violation was personnel error. The individual involved inadvertently left the safeguards file cabinet unlocked after returning documentation.

Upon discovery, the safeguards file cabinet was immediately locked and an inventory of the safeguards information stored in the file cabinet was conducted with all documents accounted for.

As a result of the above stated violation, the following corrective actions have been taken:

- 1) The individual involved was counseled on the event and was subsequently removed from authorized access to the file cabinet.
- 2) The lock combination for the file cabinet was changed.
- 3) The Security Department Supervisor held a meeting on March 21, 1991 with Seabrook Station personnel who have responsibility for handling safeguards information. The discussion included the recent events and the proper handling and storage requirements of safeguards information.
- 4) Signs have been placed on all safeguards file cabinets to remind personnel to re-lock the cabinet after use.

As a result of our ongoing review and an event involving another safeguards file cabinet found unlocked on March 29, 1991, the following additional corrective actions will be taken:

- 1) All safeguards information contained in the file cabinet that was found unlocked on March 29th was removed subsequent to the event.

- 2) The New Hampshire Yankee Records Management Manual will be revised to enhance the handling and storage requirements of safeguards information by August 1, 1991.
- 3) All safeguards file cabinets will be consolidated to an absolute minimum by September 1, 1991.
- 4) All safeguards file cabinets will be purged to ensure that only necessary safeguards information is retained. This will be completed by September 1, 1991.

Implementation of the above corrective actions is expected to preclude problems of this nature from recurring.