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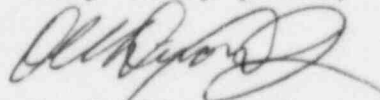
SUBJECT: Virgil C. Summer Nuclear Station  
Docket No. 50/395  
Operating License No. NPF-12  
Response to Notice of Violation  
NRC Inspection Report 84-35

Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

Attached is South Carolina Electric and Gas Company's response for the Violation as addressed in Enclosure 1 of NRC Inspection Report 84-35.

If there are any questions, please call us at your convenience.

Very truly yours,



O. W. Dixon, Jr.

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ENCLOSURE 1  
RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF VIOLATION  
INSPECTION REPORT 84-35

I. ADMISSION OR DENIAL OF THE ALLEGED VIOLATION

South Carolina Electric and Gas Company is in agreement with the alleged violation.

II. REASON FOR THE VIOLATION

Fire door CB-401 was disabled to facilitate the access of test personnel during the installation of electrical cables and recorders used for surveillance testing on November 29, 1984. The Shift Supervisor who authorized the opening of the door failed to implement the fire barrier removal permit which would have established a fire watch. The personnel error caused the noncompliance with Action Statement (a) of Technical Specification 3.7.10, "Fire Rated Assemblies." The potential consequences of the degraded fire barrier were mitigated by operable smoke detectors and presence of test personnel in the cable spreading area.

III. CORRECTIVE STEPS TAKEN AND RESULTS ACHIEVED

Fire door CB-401 was closed and latched after the NRC inspectors identified the violation on November 29, 1984. The closure of the door re-established the integrity of the fire barrier between the cable spreading area and the stairwell.

IV. CORRECTIVE ACTION TAKEN TO AVOID FURTHER VIOLATION

The following actions have been taken to avoid further violations:

1. In a letter dated November 30, 1984, the Director, Nuclear Plant Operations, emphasized the importance of maintaining the integrity of fire doors to plant personnel.
2. On December 19, 1984, the Shift Supervisor who authorized the degradation of CB-401 was individually counselled on his noncompliance with the Fire Barrier Removal program. Compliance with the program would have insured the establishment of a fire watch in accordance with the requirements of Technical Specification 3.7.10.

ENCLOSURE 1 Continued

IV. CORRECTIVE ACTION TAKEN TO AVOID FURTHER VIOLATION continued

3. On December 21, 1984, the Manager of Operations reviewed the event with all Shift Supervisors to insure proper control of fire doors.

V. DATE OF FULL COMPLIANCE

South Carolina Electric and Gas Company was in full compliance on December 21, 1984.