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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Washington, DC 20555

Reference: Docket No. 50-285

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(8) requires that the Halon fire suppression systems protecting the Control Room, the Switchgear Rooms and the Cable Spreading Room be operable. With a Halon system inoperable, a continuous fire watch with back-up fire suppression equipment is to be established. The inoperable Halon system is to be restored to operable status within 14 days, or a report is to be prepared and submitted to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission pursuant to TS 3.9.3 within an additional 30 days.

On September 28, 1992, the Halon fire suppression system for the Cable Spreading Room was removed from service for implementation of a modification to upgrade the system. At the time the Halon system was removed from service, the appropriate compensatory measures, as required by TS 2.19(8), were in place. The Halon system for the Cable Spreading Room was returned to service on October 27, 1992. Appropriate compensatory measures were in place for the duration of the impairment.

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