

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Panalarm Division, AMETEK, Inc.
Skokie, Illinois

Docket No.: 99901303

During an NRC inspection conducted on September 9 through 12, 1996, a violation of NRC requirements was identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," NUREG-1600, the violation is listed below:

10 CFR 21.21, "Notification of failure to comply or existence of a defect and its evaluation," requires, in part, that each corporation subject to the regulations adopt appropriate procedures to ensure the evaluation and proper reporting of deviations and failures to comply.

Contrary to the above, Quality Control Procedure QC-90-100, "(10CFR21) Notification Procedure," Revision 0, dated March 6, 1990, failed to address the identification or evaluation of deviations. The procedure incorrectly confused the terms "deviation" and "defect", with the result that personnel were not alerted to the need to identify deviations from safety-related purchase order requirements, and to evaluate the deviations to determine if they could become defects. Procedure QC-90-100 also failed to reflect significant changes that were incorporated into 10 CFR Part 21 since 1990 concerning reporting requirements and the content of procedures.
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This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement VII).

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Panalarm Division of AMETEK, Inc., is hereby required to submit a written statement or explanation to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, ATTN: Document Control Desk, Washington D.C. 20555, with a copy to the Chief, Special Inspection Branch, Division of Inspection and Support Programs, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, within 30 days of the date of the letter transmitting this Notice of Violation. This reply should be clearly marked as a "Reply to a Notice of Violation" and should include for each violation: (1) the reason for the violation, or, if contested, the basis for disputing the violation, (2) the corrective steps that have been taken and the results achieved, (3) the corrective steps that will be taken to avoid further violations, and (4) the date when full compliance will be achieved. Your response may reference or include previous docketed correspondence, if the correspondence adequately addresses the required response. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland
this 4th day of November, 1996.

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