

October 21, 1996

EA 96-292

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SUBJECT: MRC INSPECTION REPORT NOS. 50-338/96-09, 50-339/96-09
NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Dear Mr. O'Hanlon:

On September 21, 1996, the NRC completed an inspection at your North Anna Power Station. The enclosed report presents the results of that inspection.

During the 6 week period covered by this inspection period, your conduct of activities at the North Anna Power Station was generally characterized by safety conscious operations. However, a violation was identified by NRC inspectors in that an action to mitigate a Fuel Handling Accident was not appropriately implemented in abnormal operating procedures.

The violation is cited in the enclosed Notice of Violation, and the circumstances surrounding the violation are described in detail in the enclosed report. Please note that you are required to respond to this letter and should follow the instructions specified in the enclosed Notice of Violation when preparing your response. The NRC will use your response, in part, to determine whether further enforcement action is necessary to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice", a copy of this letter and its enclosures will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

Sincerely,

Original signed by George A. Belisle

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Docket Nos.: 50-338, 50-339
License Nos.: NPF-4, NPF-7

Enclosures: 1. Notice of Violation
2. Inspection Report Nos. 50-338/96-09, 50-339/96-09

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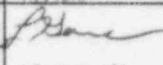
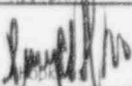
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NOTICE OF VIOLATION

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North Anna 1 and 2

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During an NRC inspection conducted on August 11 through September 21, 1996, a violation of NRC requirements was identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedures for NRC Enforcement Actions," NUREG-1600, the violation is listed below:

Technical Specification 6.8.1 requires that written procedures be established, implemented and maintained, including by reference to Appendix A of Regulatory Guide 1.33, Revision 2, procedures for irradiated fuel damage while refueling. The licensee's Technical Specification Change Request dated October 17, 1995, and the NRC's Technical Specification Amendment numbers 198 and 179, dated February 27, 1996, stated that upon notification of a fuel handling accident, the control room bottled air supply would be initiated by operators within two minutes.

Contrary to the above, from February 27, 1996, until September 19, 1996, the procedure for irradiated fuel damage while refueling, O-AP-30, was inadequate in that it did not direct operators to initiate the control room bottled air supply within two minutes of notification of a fuel handling accident.

This is a Severity Level IV Violation (Supplement I).

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, Virginia Electric and Power Company 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 Regional Administrator, Region II, and a copy to the NRC Resident Inspector at the facility that is the subject of this Notice, within 30 days of the date of the letter transmitting this Notice of Violation (Notice). 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. If an adequate reply is not received within the time specified in this Notice, an order or Demand for Information may be issued as to why the license should not be modified, suspended, or revoked, or why such other action as may be proper should not be taken. Where good cause is shown, consideration will be given to extending the response time.

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Because your response will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room (PDR), to the extent possible, it should not include any personal privacy, proprietary, or safeguards information so that it can be placed in the PDR without redaction. If personal privacy or proprietary information is necessary to provide an acceptable response, then please provide a bracketed copy of your response that identifies the information that should be protected and a redacted copy of your response that deletes such information. If you request withholding of such material, you must specifically identify the portions of your response that you seek to have withheld and provide in detail the bases for your claim of withholding (e.g., explain why the disclosure of information will create an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy or provide the information required by 10 CFR 2.790(b) to support a request for withholding confidential commercial or financial information). If safeguards information is necessary to provide an acceptable response, please provide the level of protection described in 10 CFR 73.21.

Dated at Atlanta, Georgia
this 21 day of October, 1996