



## Nebraska Public Power District

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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Attention: Document Control Desk  
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Gentlemen:

Subject: Reply to a Notice of Deviation  
NRC Inspection Report No. 50-298/96-21  
Cooper Nuclear Station, NRC Docket 50-298, DPR-46

Reference: 1. Letter to G. R. Horn (NPPD) from K. E. Brockman (USNRC) dated  
October 11, 1996, "NRC Inspection Report 50/298/96-21 and Notice of  
Deviation"

By letter dated October 11, 1996 (Reference 1), the NRC cited Nebraska Public Power District (District) as deviating from a commitment included in the Updated Safety Analysis Report. This letter, including Attachment 1, constitutes the District's reply to the referenced Notice of Deviation.

Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact me.

Sincerely,

*P.D. Graham*

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Attachment

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REPLY TO OCTOBER 11, 1996, NOTICE OF DEVIATION  
COOPER NUCLEAR STATION  
NRC DOCKET NO. 50-298, LICENSE DPR-46

During an NRC investigation conducted on September 9-13, 1996, a deviation from the Updated Safety Analysis Report was identified. The particular deviation and the District's reply are set forth below:

Deviation

*"Volume I, Section II-3, 'Meteorology,' states that the meteorological monitoring system is powered locally from the 12.5 kV ring bus and from MCC "L" in the event of a loss of off-site power condition.*

*Contrary to the above, between September 18, 1995, and April 29, 1996, the transfer switch for the 100 meter meteorological tower was out of service which prevented the tower from being powered locally in the event of a loss of off-site power."*

Reason for the Deviation

This deviation resulted from a lack of departmental ownership of the meteorological tower reliability in that there was not an owner to pursue scheduling of this work item.

Corrective Steps Taken and the Results Achieved

Ownership of the meteorological tower reliability has been assigned to the Radiological Department.

Corrective Steps to Avoid Further Deviations

No further corrective actions are required.

Date When Corrective Action Will Be Completed

All corrective actions are complete.

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