

Enclosure 1

NOTICE OF VIOLATION

North Atlantic Energy Service Corporation
Seabrook Station, Unit 1

Docket No. 50-443
License No. NPF-86

During an NRC inspection conducted on August 13 - September 30, 1996, a violation of NRC requirements were identified. In accordance with the "General Statement of Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions," NUREG-1600, the violation is listed below:

10 CFR 50.59, Changes, tests and experiments, allows changes to be made to the facility as described in the final safety analysis report, without prior Commission approval, provided that the proposed change does not involve an unreviewed safety question or a change in technical specifications incorporated in the license. The North Atlantic Regulatory Compliance Manual Chapter 3.0, Section 3.0 contains the station specific requirements and process for performing and documenting safety evaluations to determine if an unreviewed safety question exists pursuant to the requirements of 10 CFR 50.59.

Contrary to the above, on August 21, the inspector identified three, 4-inch floor drains in the emergency feedwater pump house were covered with tape during painting activities, which constituted a change to the facility as described in the Updated Final Safety Analysis Report (UFSAR), without performance of the required safety evaluation to determine if the change constituted an unreviewed safety question or required a change to technical specifications. UFSAR Section 9.3.3.2.b.8 indicates the EFW pump house contains five, 4-inch floor drains and two, 2½-inch floor drains designed to accommodate 75 gallons per minute (gpm) leakage. UFSAR Section 9.3.3.3, "Safety Evaluation," indicates the equipment and floor drainage system is operable during all modes of operation.

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

Pursuant to the provisions of 10 CFR 2.201, North Atlantic Energy Service Corporation 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 I, and a copy to the NRC Resident Inspector at the facility that is the subject of this Notice of Violation (Notice), within 30 days of the date of the letter transmitting this 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 a 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.

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. However, if you find it necessary to include such information that you desire not to be placed in the PDR, and provide the legal basis to support your request for withholding the information from the public.

Dated at King of Prussia, Pennsylvania
this 22nd day of November, 1996