

APPENDIX

U. S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
REGION IV

NRC Inspection Report: 50-267/85-23

License: DPR-34

Docket: 50-267

Licensee: Public Service Company of Colorado
P.O. Box 840
Denver, Colorado 80201

Facility Name: Fort St. Vrain

Inspection At: Platteville, Colorado

Inspection Conducted: August 26-30, 1985

Inspectors:

M E Skow
M. E. Skow, Project Inspector
Project Section A, Reactor Projects Branch

9/18/85
Date

Approved:

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9/20/85
Date

Inspection Summary

Inspection Conducted August 26-30, 1985 (Report 50-267/85-23)

Areas Inspected: Routine, announced inspection of maintenance, operational safety verification, and review of periodic and special reports. The inspection involved 27 inspector-hours onsite and 11 inspector-hours offsite by one NRC inspector.

Results: Within the areas inspected, no violations or deviations were identified.

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DETAILS

1. Persons Contacted

*J. W. Gahm, Manager Nuclear Power Operations
*C. H. Fuller, Station Manager
*F. J. Novachek, Technical/Administrative Services Manager
*L. W. Singleton, Manager, Quality Assurance (QA)
*M. J. Ferris, QA Operations Manager
*D. Alps, Security Supervisor
*F. J. Borst, Support Services Manager
*T. Roberts, Nuclear Engineering Department
*W. D. Hart, Lead Security Officer
*J. M. Gramling, Nuclear Licensing
D. Evans, Superintendent, Operations

*Denotes those present at exit interview.

2. Status of Previous Inspection Findings

(Closed) Violation (267/8506-01): Failure to provide timely corrective action. FSV Administrative Procedure G-2, "FSV Procedure Systems," has been revised. Issue 17 of G-2, Attachment G-2A, page 3, specifies that Administrative Procedures Q-2 through Q-18 are authorized solely under the signature of the Manager, Quality Assurance Division. Procedures Q-15 and Q-16, which were examples of delayed corrective action, have also been revised. This item is closed.

3. Operational Safety Certification

The purpose of the inspection was to assure that the facility was being operated in conformance with regulatory requirements. The inspection was also to assure that the licensee's management control system was effectively discharging its responsibilities for continued safe operation.

The NRC inspector observed Control Room activities, control room panels, reviewed operating logs, and toured the plant observing general conditions and plant status. No violations or deviations were noted.

4. Maintenance Observation

The purpose of the inspection was to ascertain that maintenance activities of safety-related systems and components were being conducted in accordance with approved procedures, technical specifications and appropriate industrial codes and standards.

The NRC inspector observed portions of selected maintenance activities, including change out of a liquid waste demineralizer. The NRC inspector questioned compliance with administrative controls when a Maintenance Quality Control (MQC) hold point in Maintenance Procedure MP-2, Issue 1, was bypassed. However, the maintenance workers stated that SSR 85509746, which authorized the work, indicated that QC inspection was not required. Quality Assurance personnel also stated that Administrative Procedure P-7 permits the QC requirements noted on the SSR to take precedence over QC hold/witness points in specified maintenance procedures. Although not a procedural violation, the NRC inspector pointed out to the licensee that this situation potentially serves to condition personnel to skip requirements which may not, in another case, be exempted. The licensee did state that the Maintenance Procedures were in the process of being rewritten. The licensee further explained that the revised procedures will be more item-specific so that controls not required for a specific item will not be included in the procedure. No violations or deviations were noted.

5. Review of Specific and Periodic Reports

The inspector reviewed the annual 10 CFR 50.59 report (of changes, tests, and experiments not requiring prior NRC approval) for technical adequacy and for satisfaction of applicable reporting requirements. A portion of this inspection was conducted at the Region IV office prior to the on-site inspection period. However, in order to more fully understand the basis for some changes, the inspector had to refer to ten of the Change Notice packages on site. No violations or deviations were noted.

6. Exit Interview

An exit interview was held on August 30, 1985, with Mr. Gahm and others as denoted in paragraph 1. At the meeting, the scope of the inspection was summarized.