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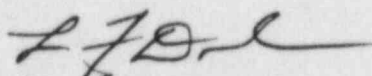
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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Region II
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Dear Dr. Grace:

SUBJECT: Grand Gulf Nuclear Station
Unit 1
Docket No. 50-416
License No. NPF-29
File: 15521/15524
Report No. 50-416/85-38
dated November 22, 1985
(MAEC-85/0382)
AECM-85/0390

Mississippi Power & Light Company hereby submits the response to violation 50-416/85-38-01.

Yours truly,


L. F. Dale
Director

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Attachment

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VIOLATION 50-416/85-38-01Notice of Violation

10 CFR 50, Appendix B, Criterion X, as implemented by Section 10 of the Grand Gulf Operational Quality Assurance Manual and Section 10 of the Nutech Quality Assurance Manual, requires in part, that inspection personnel be individuals other than those who performed or directly supervised the activity being inspected and they shall not report directly to the immediate supervisors who are responsible for the activity being inspected.

Contrary to the above, on October 21-25, 1985, inspection personnel were the same individuals as those who performed the activity being inspected in that, for induction heat stress improvement (IHSI) of recirculation system welds, Nutech personnel inspecting thermocouple placement and installation were the same individuals as those who performed layout and installation of the thermocouples.

I. ADMISSION OR DENIAL OF THE ALLEGED VIOLATION

Mississippi Power and Light Company (MP&L) admits to the alleged violation. This violation had no effect on the health and safety of the public.

II. REASON FOR THE VIOLATION IF ADMITTED

The reason for the violation is that personnel failed to comply with established procedures.

A review of Nutech certifications revealed that all of the personnel were certified to perform as inspectors; however, they all reported to the same supervisor, who was production oriented. Consequently, this did not provide the independence as required by the Nutech QA Manual.

III. CORRECTIVE STEPS WHICH HAVE BEEN TAKEN AND RESULTS ACHIEVED

- 1) Immediately following identification of the violation, a Nonconformance Report was issued to document the violation.
- 2) A Procedure Change Notice was immediately initiated to specifically delineate that the Field QA Supervisor or his designee shall perform the required inspections.
- 3) An internal memorandum was initiated designating three appropriate individuals to perform the independent inspections.
- 4) Work activities were stopped and the personnel were instructed on the inspection changes with emphasis given to procedural adherence.

- 5) Work that was in progress was reinspected by the appropriate designated personnel.
- 6) All remaining work was inspected in accordance with the revised procedure which assures independent inspections.
- 7) A Corrective Action Request (CAR) was also issued to document the violation. The CAR was closed upon verification of the corrective actions by MP&L QA.

IV. CORRECTIVE STEPS WHICH WILL BE TAKEN TO AVOID FURTHER VIOLATIONS

The infraction was an isolated case in that the inspector noted that all other activities were being independently inspected. Therefore, the corrective actions taken as described in III above are considered sufficient to prevent further violations.

V. DATE WHEN FULL COMPLIANCE WILL BE ACHIEVED

Full compliance was achieved on October 24, 1985.