

Power Reactor

Event # 52670

<b>Site:</b> PALO VERDE		<b>Notification Date / Time:</b> 04/07/2017 14:49 (EDT)				
<b>Unit:</b> 1 2 3 <b>Region:</b> 4 <b>State :</b> AZ		<b>Event Date / Time:</b> 04/05/2017 (MST)				
<b>Reactor Type:</b> [1] CE,[2] CE,[3] CE		<b>Last Modification:</b> 04/07/2017				
<b>Containment Type:</b> DRY AMB DRY AMB DRY AMB						
<b>NRC Notified by:</b> DAVID HECKMAN		<b>Notifications:</b> MICHAEL VASQUEZ R4DO				
<b>HQ Ops Officer:</b> JEFF ROTTON		PART 21/50.55 REACTOR EMAIL				
<b>Emergency Class:</b> NON EMERGENCY						
<b>10 CFR Section:</b>						
21.21(d)(3)(i) DEFECTS AND NONCOMPLIANCE						
Unit	Scram Code	RX Crit	Init Power	Initial RX Mode	Curr Power	Current RX Mode
1	N	Yes	100	Power Operation	100	Power Operation
2	N	Yes	100	Power Operation	100	Power Operation
3	N	Yes	100	Power Operation	100	Power Operation

## PART 21 - CIRCUIT BREAKER DEFECT DISCOVERED DURING CURRENT INJECTION TESTING

"On April 5, 2017, Arizona Public Service Company (APS) completed an evaluation of a deviation, and concluded the condition represented a defect under 10 CFR 21. APS previously submitted an interim report (ADAMS Accession Number ML 16344A118) for this condition pursuant to 10 CFR 21.21(a)(2).

"A GE-Hitachi Type AKR-2BE-50, 2000 Amp circuit breaker (used to connect Class 1E batteries to the related Class 1E 125 VDC busses) exhibited arcing and smoking during current injection testing performed to test the overcurrent trip setpoint prior to installation. Arcing occurred at one of two hex bolts anchoring the protective trip device to the line side bus. The electrical arcing resulted from inadequate tightening of both hex bolts which caused a loose electrical connection on the bus within the breaker.

"APS concluded this condition could result in the breaker failing to perform its safety function and thus could create a substantial safety hazard. The breaker had been refurbished by GE-Hitachi and was received by APS and tested on October 13, 2016. Following the test failure, the damaged bolt was replaced, both bolts were tightened, and the breaker was retested and installed.

"Pre-installation inspection and testing that includes current injection testing, recommended in GEH document GEK-64459, should, and did, detect faults such as the condition identified in this notification. GE-Hitachi entered this failure into their corrective action program.

"Vendor: GE HITACHI NUCLEAR ENERGY, 3901 CASTLE HAYNE RD., WILMINGTON, NC 28402-2819

"Device: Breaker Model AKR-2BE-50, 2000 Amp, Serial No. N8682600001

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"The NRC Resident Inspector has been informed."

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**From:** [David.Heckman@aps.com](mailto:David.Heckman@aps.com)  
**To:** [Hoc, HOO X](#)  
**Subject:** [External\_Sender] RE: ENS call reporting Part 21 Defect  
**Date:** Friday, April 07, 2017 2:47:05 PM  
**Attachments:** [Final Scanned.pdf](#)

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ATTACHED is the Form 361 worksheet.

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**From:** Heckman, David J  
**Sent:** Friday, April 07, 2017 11:46 AM  
**To:** 'hoo.hoc@nrc.gov'  
**Subject:** ENS call reporting Part 21 Defect

Good afternoon,  
I will be placing a call within the next 15 minutes. It is currently 11:44 MST. Attached is the Form 361 worksheet.

David Heckman  
Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station  
Regulatory Affairs

NRC FORM 361  
(12-2000)

## REACTOR PLANT EVENT NOTIFICATION WORKSHEET

U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
OPERATIONS CENTER

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NRC OPERATION TELEPHONE NUMBER: PRIMARY -- 301-816-5100 or 800-532-3469\*, BACK UPS -- [1st] 301-951-0550 or 800-449-3694\*, [2nd] 301-415-0550 and [3rd] 301-415-0553  
\*Licensees who maintain their own ETS are provided these telephone numbers.

NOTIFICATION TIME	FACILITY OR ORGANIZATION	UNIT	NAME OF CALLER	CALL BACK #
ET MST	Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station	1, 2, 3	David Heckman	(623) 393-5932

EVENT TIME & ZONE	EVENT DATE	POWER/MODE BEFORE	POWER/MODE AFTER
n/a MST	n/a	n/a / n/a	n/a / n/a

EVENT CLASSIFICATIONS		1-Hr. Non-Emergency 10 CFR 50.72(b)(1)		(v)(A) Safe S/D Capability AINA	
<input type="checkbox"/> GENERAL EMERGENCY	GEN/AAEC	<input type="checkbox"/> TS Deviation	ADEV	<input type="checkbox"/> (v)(B) RHR Capability	AINB
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE AREA EMERGENCY	SIT/AAEC	4-Hr. Non-Emergency 10 CFR 50.72(b)(2)		<input type="checkbox"/> (v)(C) Control of Rad Release	AINC
<input type="checkbox"/> ALERT	ALE/AAEC	<input type="checkbox"/> (i) TS Required S/D	ASHU	<input type="checkbox"/> (v)(D) Accident Mitigation	AIND
<input type="checkbox"/> UNUSUAL EVENT	UNU/AAEC	<input type="checkbox"/> (iv)(A) ECCS Discharge to RCS	ACCS	<input type="checkbox"/> (xii) Offsite Medical	AMED
<input type="checkbox"/> 50.72 NON-EMERGENCY	(see next columns)	<input type="checkbox"/> (iv)(B) RPS Actuation (scram)	ARPS	<input type="checkbox"/> (xiii) Loss Comm/Asmt/Resp	ACOM
<input type="checkbox"/> PHYSICAL SECURITY (73.71)	DDDD	<input type="checkbox"/> (xi) Offsite Notification	APRE	60-Day Optional 10 CFR 50.73(a)(1)	
<input type="checkbox"/> MATERIAL/EXPOSURE	B???	8-Hr. Non-Emergency 10 CFR 50.72(b)(3)		<input type="checkbox"/> Invalid Specified System Act	AINV
<input type="checkbox"/> FITNESS FOR DUTY	HFIT	<input type="checkbox"/> (ii)(A) Degraded Condition	ADEG	Other Unspecified Requirement (Identify)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER UNSPECIFIED REQMT	(see last column)	<input type="checkbox"/> (ii)(B) Unanalyzed Condition	AUNA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10 CFR 21.21(d)(3)(i)	NONR
<input type="checkbox"/> INFORMATION ONLY	NNF	<input type="checkbox"/> (iv)(A) Specified System Actuation	AESF	<input type="checkbox"/>	NONR

### DESCRIPTION

Include: Systems affected, actuations and their initiating signals, causes, effect on plant, actions taken or planned, etc. *(Continue on back)*

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Serial No N8682600001

NOTIFICATIONS	YES	NO	WILL BE	ANYTHING UNUSUAL OR NOT UNDERSTOOD?	YES (explain above)	NO
NRC RESIDENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
STATE(s)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
LOCAL	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
OTHER GOV AGENCIES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
MEDIA/PRESS RELEASE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
MODE OF OPERATION UNTIL CORRECTED:				ESTIMATE FOR RESTART DATE:	ADDITIONAL INFO ON BACK	
					<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	