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LICENSEE EVENT REPORT (LER 2000-001-00)
MISSED SURVEILLANCE ON CONTROL ROOM EVACUATION
PANEL 'B' STEAM GENERATOR WIDE RANGE LEVEL
INDICATOR

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Attached is Licensee Event Report No. 2000-001-00, for the Virgil C. Summer Nuclear Station (VCSNS). This issue is being reported per 10 CFR 50.73(a)(2)(i)(B).

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TITLE (4)
Missed Surveillance on Control Room Evacuation Panel 'B' Steam Generator Wide Range Level Indicator (LI00487B)

EVENT DATE (5)			LER NUMBER (6)			REPORT DATE (7)			OTHER FACILITIES INVOLVED (8)	
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CAUSE	SYSTEM	COMPONENT	MANUFACTURER	REPORTABLE TO EPIX	CAUSE	SYSTEM	COMPONENT	MANUFACTURER	REPORTABLE TO EPIX
A	SB			No					

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ABSTRACT (Limit to 1400 spaces, i.e., approximately 15 single-spaced typewritten lines) (16)

On January 6, 2000, the task tracking system prompted generation of a Surveillance Test Task Sheet (STTS) for the Control Room Evacuation Panel (CREP) 'B' Steam Generator level indicator (surveillance test procedure STP0345.056) with a "need date" of October 25, 1998. This surveillance has an 18-month frequency and was last performed on April 27, 1997. This surveillance should have been performed on October 25, 1998.

It was determined that, during the rollover from an old tracking system database (CHAMPS RMS) to a new database (CHAMPS RDB) in March 1997, a database algorithm created an error in some due date calculations. The verification and validation process for the database upgrade failed to detect this discrepancy. The STTS for the April 27, 1997 performance of STP0345.056 had been generated prior to the database rollover, and therefore, was not affected by the rollover. Subsequent to the rollover, errors were detected in due date calculations for some tasks, and corrected. None of these other calculation errors resulted in missed surveillances. It could not be determined if the subject surveillance due date error was detected at this time and invalid data was then entered while attempting to correct the problem, or if it remained undetected until January 6, 2000.

In response to the above condition, the required surveillance was completed on January 7, 2000, the test due date for the subject surveillance was corrected, and the CHAMPS RDB system was thoroughly tested and determined to have no additional errors.

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PLANT IDENTIFICATION

Westinghouse - Pressurized Water Reactor

EQUIPMENT IDENTIFICATION

EIIS Code: SB - Main Steam System

IDENTIFICATION OF EVENT

A routine tasking report was generated in the station tracking system (CHAMPS RDB) for tasks coming due during the first quarter of 2000. Planning & Scheduling (P&S) personnel discovered that the need date for the subject surveillance was October 25, 1998. P&S personnel determined that the surveillance had not been performed since April 27, 1997, and that it should have been performed on October 25, 1998. After this determination, Condition Evaluation Report (CER) 00-0036 was generated to provide notification of the missed surveillance.

EVENT DATE

January 6, 2000. This is the date that it was determined the surveillance was missed and CER 00-0036 was generated.

REPORT DATE

January 28, 2000

CONDITIONS PRIOR TO EVENT

Mode 1 - 100% Reactor Power

DESCRIPTION OF EVENT

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CAUSE OF EVENT

The cause of this event is attributed to personnel error. It was determined that, during the rollover from an old database (CHAMPS RMS) to a new database (CHAMPS RDB) in March 1997, a database algorithm created an error in some due date calculations. The verification and validation process for the database upgrade failed to detect this discrepancy. Subsequent to the rollover, errors were detected in due date calculations for some tasks, and corrected. None of these other calculation errors resulted in missed surveillances. It could not be determined if the subject surveillance due date error was detected at this time and invalid data was then entered while attempting to correct the problem, or if it remained undetected until January 6, 2000. In addition, manual task tracking, used as a backup method, failed to detect the test due date error due to a transposition error in data entry.

ANALYSIS OF EVENT

There were no safety consequences associated with this event. The ILT00487A 7300 Process loop instrumentation channel supplies the B Steam Generator wide range level signal to the Control Room Evacuation Panel (CREP) indicator ILI00487B. This instrument channel has no control or protection functions. Should this instrument channel fail or be in error, there is a redundant B Steam Generator wide range indication available with level indicator ILI00487A, which is located adjacent to the turbine driven emergency feedwater pump on panel XPN5231 and supplied by instrument channel ILT00487. Successful completion of the surveillance test, with no adjustment needed, verified that the CREP B Steam Generator wide range indicator ILI00487B was functioning properly and accurately.

INTERIM CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

The required surveillance was satisfactorily completed on January 7, 2000, and the test due date for the subject surveillance was corrected in the CHAMPS RDB task tracking system.

ADDITIONAL CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

The CHAMPS RDB task tracking system was tested to determine if any additional tracking errors existed. Several reports were compiled to analyze the STTS Repetitive Task portion of the CHAMPS RDB database. These reports indicated that there were no additional errors in surveillance test tracking.

PRIOR OCCURRENCES

None