

PRIORITY ATTENTION REQUIRED MORNING REPORT - REGION IV MARCH 7, 2001

Licensee/Facility:

Nebraska Public Power District
Cooper 1
Brownville, Nebraska
Dockets: 50-298
BWR/GE-4

Notification:

MR Number: **4-01-0002**

Date: 03/07/01

Resident Inspectors

Subject: UPDATE - LEVEL CONTROL PROBLEMS FOLLOWING REACTOR SCRAM AT COOPER (Event 37805)

Reportable Event Number: N/A

Discussion:

This morning report is being updated to correct technical information related to the availability of the reactor feedwater pumps and to supply additional information about the licensee response.

Following the automatic trip of reactor feedwater Pump B, the pump would not restart when operators attempted to return it to service. When operators started reactor feedwater Pump A, it exhibited higher than normal vibration. The operators returned reactor feedwater Pump A to standby and initiated the reactor core isolation cooling pump to supply water to the reactor coolant system.

The licensee is conducting a human performance review to gain a better understanding of licensed operator performance during the event response.

Regional Action:

The senior resident inspector was onsite for most of the event. Following the stabilization of reactor parameters, the resident inspectors provided continuous onsite coverage until the reactor reached cold shutdown. The NRC senior risk analysts have evaluated the risk and concluded that no special inspection efforts are warranted. The resident inspectors will monitor licensee actions.

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