

REGION III MORNING REPORT  
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Licensee/Facility:

Commonwealth Edison Co.  
Braidwood 2  
Braceville, Illinois

Notification:

MR Number: 3-94-0186  
Date: 10/17/94

Dockets: 50-457  
PWR/W-4-LP

Subject: UNCOUPLED CONTROL ROD DRIVE MECHANISM FUNNEL

Reportable Event Number: N/A

Discussion:

On October 14, 1994, at approximately 3:00 pm (CST), following removal of the Unit 2 vessel head for refueling, the licensee discovered that the control rod drive mechanism funnel for rod B-8 was uncoupled and resting on the upper internals. Subsequently, the licensee removed the upper internals and flooded the vessel cavity in preparation for removing the detached funnel and conducting core offload. The licensee is currently investigating the event and reviewing similar occurrences at other facilities. A similar event occurred at Byron Unit 2 on October 8, 1993, with the rod B-8 funnel affected.

Regional Action:

The regional staff is following the licensee actions and reviewing the similarities of the Byron 1993 event.

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