

PRIORITY ATTENTION REQUIRED MORNING REPORT - REGION III NOVEMBER 9, 1994

Licensee/Facility:

Commonwealth Edison Co.
Dresden 3
Morris, Illinois

Notification:

MR Number: 3-94-0208
Date: 11/09/94
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Dockets: 50-249
BWR/GE-3

Subject: CONTROL ROD FAILED TO SCRAM DURING SCRAM TIME TESTING

Reportable Event Number: N/A

Discussion:

On November 8, 1994, while performing control rod scram time testing at power, control rod drive E-10 failed to scram. The apparent cause of the failure was a malfunction of one or both of the scram pilot solenoid valves. The solenoid valves are connected in series and both must actuate to vent the air pressure from the scram inlet and outlet valves. The solenoids for this rod were rebuilt earlier this year including diaphragm and core assembly replacement. The manufacturer, Automatic Switch Company, will perform an investigation into the cause of the failure at their Florham Park, New Jersey, facility. The results of the investigation are expected on November 10. A licensee representative will assist the investigation.

As of 0700 on 11/9/94, the licensee has completed 113 of 177 rod scram tests. No other failures have been observed.

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Regional Action:

The residents are monitoring the licensee's investigation into this failure.

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