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

Licensee/Facility:

Notification:

Pacific Gas & Electric Co. Diablo Canyon 2 Avila Beach, California

MR Number: 4-94-0132 Date: 11/09/94 RESIDENT INSPECTOR

Dockets: 50-323

PWR/W-4-LP

Subject: EVIDENCE OF FUEL PIN LEAKAGE

Reportable Event Number: N/A

Discussion:

Unit 2 Reactor Coolant System (RCS) dose equivalent iodine has increased to 0.239 microcurie/milliliter (uCi/ml). This increase is indicative of a fuel cladding defect. The Technical Specification limit for RCS dose equivalent iodine is 1.0 uCi/ml. On November 5, 1994, RCS dose equivalent iodine was 4.03xE-4 uCi/ml. Licensee review of chemistry data indicated that the increase in RCS activity started slowly on November 7, 1994, and increased more rapidly on November 8, 1994. Although the increase in RCS dose equivalent iodine has not stopped, the rate of increase has slowed. The licensee is evaluating the situation regarding further characterization of the possible extent of fuel cladding degradation. The resident inspector is following the issue.

Regional Action:

The residents are following the licensee's followup to this issue.

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