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Gentlemen:

**MONTHLY OPERATING REPORT  
HOPE CREEK GENERATING STATION  
DOCKET NO. 50-354**

In compliance with Section 6.9, Reporting Requirements for the Hope Creek Technical Specifications, the operating statistics for **March 2003** are being forwarded.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lon Waldinger", written over a circular scribble.

Lon Waldinger  
Operations Director

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DOCKET NO.: 50-354  
 UNIT: Hope Creek  
 DATE: 4/8/03  
 COMPLETED BY: F. Todd  
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Reporting Period March 2003

**OPERATING DATA REPORT**

Design Electrical Rating (MWe-Net)  
 Maximum Dependable Capacity (MWe-Net)

No. of hours reactor was critical  
 No. of hours generator was on line (service hours)  
 Unit reserve shutdown hours  
 Net Electrical Energy (MWH)

1083		
1049		
Month	Year-to-date	Cumulative
544	1960	123075
458	1874	120693
0	0	0
409815	1919967	122398658

**UNIT SHUTDOWNS**

NO.	DATE	TYPE F=FORCED S=SCHEDULED	DURATION (HOURS)	REASON (1)	METHOD OF SHUTTING DOWN THE REACTOR (2)	CORRECTIVE ACTION/ COMMENT
1	3/7/03 - 3/14/03	S	168	B	1	Recirc Pump Seal Replacement
2	3/16/03 - 3/21/03	F	118	A	1	Turbine Bypass Valve

(1) Reason

- A - Equipment Failure (Explain)
- B - Maintenance or Test
- C - Refueling
- D - Regulatory Restriction
- E - Operator Training/License Examination
- F - Administrative
- G - Operational Error (Explain)
- H - Other

(2) Method

- 1 - Manual
- 2 - Manual Trip/Scram
- 3 - Automatic Trip/Scram
- 4 - Continuation
- 5 - Other (Explain)

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### Summary Of Monthly Operating Experience

- On March 7, the unit was taken offline for the planned replacement of the "B" Recirculation Pump Seal. The unit was placed back online on March 14.
- On March 16, the unit was at approximately 20% power and was shutdown to repair a turbine bypass valve. The unit was placed back online on March 21.
- At the end of the month, Hope Creek completed 10 days of continuous on-line operation.