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File No. 03062

U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Attn: Document Control Desk  
Washington DC 20555

Dear Sir:

Subject: Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station  
Docket No. 50-219  
Licensee Event Report 03-01: Security Officers Inattentive to Duty

Enclosed is Licensee Event Report 03-01. This event did not affect the health and safety of the public or plant personnel.

If any additional information or assistance is required, please contact Rick Ewart, of my staff, at 609.971.4949.

Very truly yours,



Ernest J. Harkness, Site Vice President  
Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station

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cc: Administrator, Region I  
NRC Project Manager  
Senior Resident Inspector

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**LICENSEE EVENT REPORT (LER)**

ESTIMATED BURDEN PER RESPONSE TO COMPLY WITH THIS MANDATORY INFORMATION COLLECTION REQUEST: 50.0 HRS. REPORTED LESSONS LEARNED ARE INCORPORATED INTO THE LICENSING PROCESS AND FED BACK TO INDUSTRY. FORWARD COMMENTS REGARDING BURDEN ESTIMATE TO THE INFORMATION AND RECORDS MANAGEMENT BRANCH (T-6 F33), U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION, WASHINGTON, DC 20555-0001, AND TO THE PAPERWORK REDUCTION PROJECT (3150-0104), OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, WASHINGTON, DC 20503.

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TITLE (4)  
**License Violation Due to Security Officers Inattentive to Duty**

EVENT DATE (5)			LER NUMBER (6)			REPORT DATE (7)			OTHER FACILITIES INVOLVED (8)	
MONTH	DAY	YEAR	YEAR	SEQUENTIAL NUMBER	REVISION NUMBER	MONTH	DAY	YEAR	FACILITY NAME	DOCKET NUMBER
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OPERATING MODE (9) <b>N</b>	THIS REPORT IS SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF 10 CFR 8: (Check one or more) (11)									
POWER LEVEL (10) <b>100</b>	20.2201(b)	20.2203(a)(2)(v)	50.73(a)(2)(i)	50.73(a)(2)(viii)						
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	20.2203(a)(2)(iv)	50.36(c)(2)	50.73(a)(2)(vii)							

LICENSEE CONTACT FOR THIS LER (12)

NAME <b>Rick Ewart</b>	TELEPHONE NUMBER (Include Area Code) <b>609.971.4949</b>
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COMPLETE ONE LINE FOR EACH COMPONENT FAILURE DESCRIBED IN THIS REPORT (13)

CAUSE	SYSTEM	COMPONENT	MANUFACTURER	REPORTABLE TO EPIX	CAUSE	SYSTEM	COMPONENT	MANUFACTURER	REPORTABLE TO NPRDS

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT EXPECTED (14)				EXPECTED SUBMISSION DATE (15)		
YES (If yes, complete EXPECTED SUBMISSION DATE).	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO		MONTH	DAY	YEAR

ABSTRACT (Limit to 1400 spaces, i.e., approximately 15 single-spaced typewritten lines) (16)

On April 15, 2003, at approximately 4:50 A.M. the Oyster Creek Operations Director arrived at the station and was appropriately processed by the Outer Owner Controlled Area (OCA) checkpoint. He proceeded to the Inner OCA checkpoint where he noticed that the security guards did not immediately exit the guardhouse to verify his identification and check his vehicle. He proceeded to the Guardhouse where he observed the guards, apparently asleep.

An immediate search of the Inner OCA was conducted to ensure that no unauthorized vehicles had entered. The Inner OCA checkpoint is monitored by a surveillance camera. A review of the videotape revealed that no vehicles entered the Inner OCA during this period. This information was corroborated by an interview with the Outer OCA guard.

Both guards were relieved from all duties. Two new guards manned the Inner OCA post. Both guards were "For Cause" Fitness for Duty tested. All readings were negative. All required NRC and Exelon notifications were made. Security reinforced management expectations to all Security Personnel on attentiveness to duty.

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**DATE OF DISCOVERY**

The event described in this report occurred on April 15, 2003.

**IDENTIFICATION OF OCCURRENCE**

At 4:50 A.M., two on-watch security officers were found to be asleep.

Operating License condition 2.C.(4) requires:

“The licensee shall fully implement and maintain in effect all provision of the Commission approved physical security, guard training and qualification, and safeguards contingency plans...”

By order dated February 25, 2002, the license was modified to require manning the Inner OCA security checkpoint. This occurrence was a violation of that order. Operating License condition 2.E requires:

“...the licensee shall report any violations of the requirements contained in Section 2.C of this license...(by an) initial notification...within 24 hours to the NRC Operations Control Center via the Emergency Notification System with written follow-up within 30 days...”

**CONDITIONS PRIOR TO DISCOVERY**

At the time of the occurrence, the reactor was at 100% power with all temperatures and pressures normal for full power operation.

**DESCRIPTION OF OCCURRENCE**

At approximately 4:50 A.M., the Oyster Creek Operations Director arrived at the station and was appropriately processed by the Outer Owner Controlled Area (OCA) checkpoint. He proceeded to the Inner OCA checkpoint where he noticed that the security guards did not immediately exit the guardhouse to verify his identification and check his vehicle. He proceeded to the Guard House where he observed the guards, apparently asleep. Notifications were made both to AmerGen Energy Company, LLC personnel, and the USNRC Emergency Notification System Line.

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**APPARENT CAUSE**

The apparent cause of the license violation was the inattention of the of the security officers to their assigned duties.

**ANALYSIS OF OCCURRENCE AND SAFETY ASSESSMENT**

The guards were observed to be attentive to duty at 4:20 A.M. by a Security Supervisor during his normal rounds, and they responded to a radio check at 4:30 A.M. Therefore, the condition could not have existed for more than approximately 20 minutes. Upon discovery, an immediate search of the Inner OCA was conducted to ensure that no unauthorized vehicles had entered. The Inner OCA checkpoint is monitored by a surveillance camera. Review of the videotape revealed that no vehicles entered the Inner OCA during this 20-minute period. This information was corroborated by an interview with the Outer OCA guard. This occurrence did not involve a potential breach of the protected area or the vital areas of the plant.

A review of time records revealed that both guards were in compliance with corporate overtime limitations.

**CORRECTIVE ACTIONS**

**Immediate Actions**

1. Both guards were relieved from all duties. Two new guards manned the Inner OCA post.
2. Both guards were "For Cause" Fitness for Duty tested. All readings were negative.
3. All required NRC and Exelon notifications were made.
4. Security reinforced management expectations to all Security Personnel on attentiveness to duty.

**Short Term**

1. Fitness for Duty training for Security supervisors was reviewed to ensure that fatigue and/or drowsiness is routinely assessed.
2. The frequency of remote post checks was increased.
3. A Corrective Action Program document was issued to track the resolution of these issues.

**Long Term**

1. The Security Contractor was notified of changes to procedures and processes to prevent recurrence.

**SIMILAR EVENTS**

None