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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attention: Document Control Desk
Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

Subject: Monthly Operating Report for October 2003, Docket No. 50-298

The purpose of this letter is to provide the Cooper Nuclear Station Monthly Operating Report for October 2003. In accordance with the guidance provided by Generic Letter 97-02, this report includes an Operating Data Report and Unit Shutdown Report for the month of October. In accordance with Technical Specification 5.6.4, this report also includes documentation of challenges to the safety/relief valves.

Should you have any comments or require additional information regarding this report, please contact Paul Fleming at (402) 825-2774.

Sincerely,

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Plant Manager

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**APPENDIX A
OPERATING DATA REPORT**

DOCKET NO. 050-0298
 UNIT NAME Cooper Nuclear Station
 DATE 11/13/2003
 COMPLETED BY Rodrick Wilson
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Reporting Period: October 2003

	This Month	Yr.-to-Date	Cumulative
1. Design Electrical Rating (Net MWe). The nominal net electrical output of the unit specified by the utility and used for the purpose of plant design.	<u>778.0</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>
2. Maximum Dependable Capacity (Net MWe): The gross electrical output as measured at the output terminals of the turbine-generator during the most restrictive seasonal conditions minus the normal station service loads.	<u>764.0</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>
3. Number of Hours the Reactor Was Critical. The total number of hours during the gross hours of the reporting period that the reactor was critical.	<u>651.0</u>	<u>5,143.6</u>	<u>197666.7</u>
4. Number of Hours the Generator Was On Line. (Also called Service Hours). The total number of hours during the gross hours of the reporting period that the unit operated with the breakers closed to the station bus. The sum of the hours the generator was on line plus the total outage hours should equal the gross hours in the reporting period.	<u>651.0</u>	<u>4915.5</u>	<u>194786.1</u>
5. Unit Reserve Shutdown Hours. The total number of hours during the gross hours of the reporting period that the unit was removed from service for economic or similar reasons but was available for operation.	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>
6. Net Electrical Energy (MWH). The gross electrical output of the unit measured at the output terminals of the turbine-generator minus the normal station service loads during the gross hours of the reporting period, expressed in megawatt hours. Negative quantities should not be used.	<u>483390.0</u>	<u>3531294.0</u>	<u>132192966.0</u>

**APPENDIX B
UNIT SHUTDOWNS**

DOCKET NO.	<u>050-0298</u>
UNIT NAME	<u>Cooper Nuclear Station</u>
DATE	<u>11/13/2003</u>
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REPORT MONTH October 2003

No.	Date	Type F: FORCED S: SCHEDULED	Duration (Hours)	Reason (1)	Method Of Shutting Down (2)	CAUSE/CORRECTIVE ACTIONS	COMMENTS
03-05	10/28/03	F FORCED	94	A	2	Fire in the main switchyard	

SUMMARY: A fire on the support structure for the generator output to the 345 KV system resulted in the decision to take CNS offline

(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 (Explain)

(2) Method:

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

**APPENDIX C
SAFETY/RELIEF VALVE CHALLENGES
OCTOBER 2003**

There were no challenges to the safety/relief valves during the month of October.

