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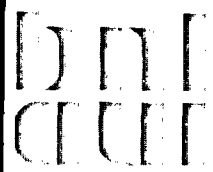
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## SUMMARY

The USNRC has recently initiated a research program, under the support of the Nuclear Plant Aging Program (NPAR), to better understand the impact of equipment aging on plant safety and to recommend realistic operating and maintenance procedures to improve plant availability and enhance safety. Many research projects are in progress to address the various aging issues in the NPAR program. This pilot study was performed to investigate the feasibility of using plant experience data to assess the relationship between equipment aging and seismic performance capacity.

After a brief review of available plant experience data at many California sites for content and quality, data related to performance, maintenance, and failure history were collected for a sample set of equipment types. This pilot study selected four equipment types for investigation from the highest priority group in a previous NPAR program. The equipment types studied were:

- Electric motors
- Motor-operated valves (MOVs)
- Relays
- Circuit breakers
- Motor control centers (MCCs)

The acquired equipment data consisted of installation date, chronological listing of preventative and corrective maintenance activities, failed state and reason/cause of the activity, earthquake data (i.e., free-field acceleration, Richter magnitude, date), and equipment status before and after the earthquake. These data were acquired for all items belonging to the four equipment types in Units 2 and 4 of El Centro Steam Plant. This plant experienced the 1979 Imperial Valley earthquake which measured free-field accelerations of 0.49 and 0.35g for the two horizontal directions and 0.66g for the vertical direction. In addition, these plants have experienced six other earthquakes of smaller magnitude between 1953 and 1976.

The number of items studied in each equipment type, age at the time of earthquake and today, are presented Table 1.

Table 1  
AGES OF SELECTED EQUIPMENT

| <u>Type</u>      | <u>Number of Items</u>     | <u>Age (Years) at Earthquake</u> | <u>Current Age (Years)</u> |
|------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Electric Motors  | 58 (Unit 2)                | 27                               | 33                         |
|                  | 58 (Unit 4)                | 12                               | 18                         |
| MOVs             | 3 (Unit 2)                 | 27                               | 33                         |
|                  | 3 (Unit 4)                 | 12                               | 18                         |
| Relays           | 75-100 2400 V              | 27 (Unit 2)                      | 33 (Unit 2)                |
|                  | > 500 Total<br>(Each Unit) | 12 (Unit 4)                      | 18 (Unit 4)                |
| Circuit Breakers | 75-100 2400 V              | 27 (Unit 2)                      | 33 (Unit 2)                |
|                  | > 500 Total<br>(Each Unit) | 12 (Unit 4)                      | 18 (Unit 4)                |
| MCCs             | 3 Assemblies<br>32 units   | 27 (Unit 2)                      | 33 (Unit 2)                |
|                  | 3 Assemblies<br>32 units   | 12 (Unit 4)                      | 18 (Unit 4)                |

The acquired equipment performance and maintenance data were studied to assess whether seismic performance is affected/degraded by aging and maintenance procedures. Each equipment data were reviewed for the following:

- Variations in corrective maintenance (CM) activity rate before and after the earthquake.
- Variations in preventative maintenance (PM) activity rate before and after the earthquake.
- Changes in failure states, or causes/reasons before and after the earthquake.
- Deviations from the average maintenance rate for the specific equipment in question.
- Modifications in PM procedures before and after the earthquake.

Based upon the limited collected data, the following can be inferred for the investigated equipment at the El Centro Plant:

- There is no variation in the type and frequency of CM and PM prior to and after an earthquake.
- The type and causes of equipment failures did not change following the earthquakes.
- There are no specific items (as identified by manufacturer, location, operating capacity, model number, etc.) within each equipment type that exhibited a higher CM rate after the earthquakes.
- No PM procedures were modified following the earthquake. Checking and adjusting the tightness of motor anchor bolts, panel and anchor bolts of MCCs, and bolts of circuit breakers were the only maintenance activities conducted following the earthquake to assure the continued integrity of equipment.

This pilot study was successful in demonstrating that experience data can be extracted and utilized to address the relationship between seismic performance capacity and aging of plant equipment. It is strongly recommended that future research be conducted to acquire experience data for other important equipment types and to investigate other California power plants. Such research will provide the maximum amount of actual experience data to address the aging-seismic relationship in a practical manner. Lessons learned from a review of these data can be used as input to develop practical maintenance and operating procedures to enhance safety and improve plant reliability.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Background

The United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission (USNRC) has recently implemented a research program to investigate aging issues associated with equipment at nuclear plants in operation and under construction (Ref. 1). The operating lifetimes of several nuclear plants have exceeded fifteen years. As these facilities continue to advance in age, additional effort is necessary to assess the potential impact of time-related equipment degradation on plant safety. The original design life of these plants was 40 years, and the majority of the equipment were conservatively designed and qualified for the 40 year life. One of the purposes of the NPAR program is to estimate/assess the actual life that can be expected from these equipment.

There are many factors which may lead to the functional impairment of plant equipment. These factors include: natural chemical or physical processes, external stressors (radiation, humidity, chemical), service wear, excessive testing or improper installation, and maintenance. An understanding of the relationship between these conditions and aging is necessary to assure that the equipment when demanded, is capable of performing its intended function in order to minimize the potential consequences on plant safety. Good preventative maintenance (PM) procedures may reduce the need for future corrective maintenance (CM, i.e., repairs and other unscheduled activities).

Another recent advancement in equipment qualification is the use of actual plant seismic experience data to address the generic seismic adequacy of nuclear plant equipment. The Seismic Qualification Utilities Group (SQUG) has gained the approval of the USNRC to use extensive performance data collected at various power and industrial facilities (database facilities) during past earthquakes to resolve USI A-46 (Ref. 2). This approach is based on the assumption that actual

data provide a credible and cost effective method of evaluating the performance of typical power plant components and structures.

The SQUG also demonstrated the similarities between nuclear and non-nuclear database equipment on the basis of manufacturer, model and age, size, and structural characteristics including anchorage. In general, nuclear equipment is newer, better maintained, and better anchored than database equipment (Ref.2).

A number of SQUG database facilities in California have been subjected to earthquakes with peak ground accelerations greater than 0.25g and as high as 0.60g. In addition to the earthquake performance, detailed records including operating logs and maintenance work orders are typically stored at the fossil power plants in this data base. These facilities contain power plant units constructed in the early 1940's to the mid 1970's. Some of the equipment has therefore been in operation longer than the anticipated forty year life of a nuclear plant. These data are studied in this pilot program to investigate the correlation between seismic performance capacity and aging for selected equipment based on actual plant experience data.

Extensive data are available on power plant equipment performance during and after earthquakes. A typical utility also keeps detailed operating and maintenance records. These records were reviewed to determine trends in equipment performance. This study demonstrates that the use of experience data provides a simple, reliable, and inexpensive alternative to current research efforts evaluating the effect of aging on the seismic performance capacity of selected equipment. Further, these studies assess whether PM activities required to maintain the seismic capacity of equipment can be derived from actual plant maintenance data of California plants.

## 1.2 Objective

The Nuclear Plant Aging Research (NPAR) program was initiated by the USNRC to meet three objectives:

- Identify and characterize aging and service wear effects which if not addressed could cause degradation of structures, components, and systems.
- Identify methods of inspection, surveillance, and monitoring structures, components, and systems to assure the timely detection of significant aging effects prior to loss of safety function.
- Evaluate the effectiveness of storage, maintenance, and repair and replacement practices in mitigating the rate and extent of degradation caused by aging and service wear.

The NPAR program is intended to provide a better understanding of the impact of equipment aging on plant safety. The results of the research may lead to recommendations for code revisions and standardization of current industry practices, improved plant availability/reliability, and enhanced safety.

The specific objective of this pilot study is to investigate selected equipment types to assess whether the seismic capacity is affected (degraded or enhanced) by aging effects. This can be achieved through a comprehensive review of equipment performance and maintenance histories from installation prior to and following an earthquake. It is also the objective to identify maintenance activities that are essential to maintain the seismic capacity of the item throughout its life.

If this study is successful in demonstrating that the experience data is a useful tool, then a detailed research program could address equipment types in several database facilities to address the relationship between aging and seismic capacity and to identify specific maintenance activity to maintain the seismic capacity of equipment. Such a study could provide valuable data and information to the NPAR Program.



### 1.3 Overview of Pilot Study

The purpose of this report is to examine and document the correlation between seismic and aging issues associated with typical nuclear plant equipment. After a brief review of available experience data for content and quality in selected California power plants (Section 2.1), the history of selected equipment in one California fossil plant was studied. The plant and equipment selection rationale are described in Section 2.2. Equipment history data were collected as described in Section 2.3 via interviews with plant personnel and detailed research of plant logs and work orders. Installation, major overhaul, and replacement dates were noted in determining the age of the equipment. Maintenance records are presented in Section 2.4 and Appendices A and B.

The pilot study findings and conclusions are presented in Section 3. Equipment are categorized based on observed trends of seismic performance and age degradation. Each item exhibits positive, negative, or potential seismic-aging correlation. Potential correlations include equipment for which insufficient data were collected in the pilot study. This section also contains the recommendations for the extension of this pilot study to available data at other database plants/sites and additional equipment types.

## 2. AGING - SEISMIC EXPERIENCE DATA

### 2.1 Available Experience Data

As a part of this pilot study, some of the power plants in the SQUG database (Ref. 2) were contacted to explore the content, quality, and accessibility of their aging/maintenance data. Non-nuclear and nuclear plants listed below were queried for this purpose:

- SMUD - Rancho Seco Nuclear Plant
- PG & E - Humboldt Bay Nuclear Plant
- SCE - San Onofre Nuclear Plant
- Imperial Irrigation District - El Centro Steam Plant
- LADWP - Valley Steam Power Plant
- City of Burbank - Burbank Power Plant
- City of Glendale - Glendale Power Plant
- SCE - Ormond Beach Power Plant
- SCE - Solar One

Nuclear plants, in general, keep a computerized summary of corrective and preventative maintenance activities. Other sources of data include licensee event reports, in-plant reliability systems, plant work orders, and in-service inspection reports. Maintenance data at non-nuclear plants are generally handwritten and organized by unit. Separate files are kept on several of the larger pieces of equipment. Although no specific storage system has been implemented for the records, a computerized database management system is being planned at many non-nuclear plants.

The plant work order database at a typical power plant includes operating logs and work orders with the following information:

- Equipment identifier
- Chronological data
- Problem description

- Actions taken
- Cost

Work orders are generally the best source of these data. Operating logs note the time and location of equipment malfunctions but provide little other detail.

The equipment identifier is usually a tag number, manufacturer, and model number. Such data are sufficient to uniquely identify the equipment in the plant. Chronological data include the date of failure detection, date action was taken, outage, duration, and priority (i.e., an assessment of how critical the equipment is to safe plant operation). Problem descriptions identify symptoms, failed state, and probable cause. A description of the action taken may provide insight into the nature of the failure cause/mechanism. Maintenance may be preventative, surveillance, inspection, calibration, or repair. The first four categories are considered preventative maintenance. Repairs and any unscheduled activities are classified as corrective maintenance.

## 2.2 Plant and Equipment Types Selection

Seismic performance data and maintenance records for components and systems are available at several fossil power plants in California. Approximate dates of commercial operation, number of units, and known experienced free-field earthquake levels are shown in Table 2-1 for selected plants.

The El Centro Steam Plant was selected for review based on the peak ground acceleration, age range of the individual units, access to available records, and input from Brookhaven. This plant has been investigated by SQUG Utilities and the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (Refs. 2 and 3). It is located approximately 16 miles from the epicenter of the Imperial Valley earthquake of 1979.

There are four units at El Centro Steam Plant. Electric power rating, first date of construction, and date of commercial operation for each of these units are shown in Table 2-2.

Table 2-1

## CALIFORNIA DATABASE FACILITIES

| <u>Plant</u>             | <u>Number of<br/>Units</u> | <u>Date of<br/>Commercial<br/>Operation</u> | <u>Free-field<br/>Peak Ground<br/>Acceleration</u> |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|---|--|
| Burbank Power Plant      | 7                          | 1940-1960                                   | 0.35g (1971)                                       |
| Glendale Power Plant     | 5                          | 1941-1964                                   | 0.30g (1971)                                       |
| Valley Steam Power Plant | 4                          | 1954-1956                                   | 0.40g (1971)                                       |
| Humboldt Bay Power Plant | 3                          | 1956-1963                                   | 0.25g (1980)                                       |
| Ormond Beach Power Plant | 2                          | 1970-1973                                   | 0.20g (1973)                                       |
| El Centro Steam Plant    | 4                          | 1948-1968                                   | 0.50g (1979)                                       |

Table 2-2

AGES AND OPERATING CAPACITIES  
OF INDIVIDUAL UNITS

| <u>Unit</u> | <u>Rating (Mw)</u> | <u>Date of<br/>Operation</u> | <u>Age to<br/>Date (Years)</u> | <u>Comments</u> |
|-------------|--------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1           | 20                 | 1948                         | 37                             | --              |
| 2           | 32                 | 1952                         | 33                             | Investigated    |
| 3           | 50                 | 1957                         | 28                             | --              |
| 4           | 80                 | 1968                         | 17                             | Investigated    |

Units 3 and 4 were in operation during the earthquake. Units 1 and 2 were shut down for scheduled maintenance. The age range of the units was 12 to 30 years at the time of the 1979 earthquake. Known damage to equipment in the plant was minimal (Refs. 2 and 3).

From the recommendations of a previous NPAR study (Ref. 1), four equipment types were selected for review in this pilot study:

- Motors
- MOVs
- MCCs
- Circuit breakers
- Relays

These items represent a sampling of the equipment of current interest to the NPAR program. This selection is also consistent with ongoing research at BNL. When the study was started, battery chargers and inverters were included as the fifth equipment type, but these were dropped during the initial phases of the study because there are no inverters at El Centro that had experienced the earthquake (see Section 2.4.7 for additional detail).

### 2.3 Data Collection

Data collection at El Centro Steam Plant consisted of three activities. The first was the establishment of a contact at the site. The maintenance and operations personnel then arranged for access to the facility. During the site visit, data collection activities included conducting interviews with plant staff and reviewing maintenance records on the equipment of interest.

All pertinent history data for the following equipment types were acquired:

- Electric motors (including MOVs)
- Circuit breakers
- Relays
- MCCs (cabinets)

The nameplate data (manufacturer, model, tag number, etc.), location, and environmental data were collected for each item. Sample pages from preventative maintenance, repair, and operator logs are shown in Appendix B. For each equipment item, the preventative maintenance summary books were reviewed from the date of installation to the present to extract pertinent activities. The repair logs were reviewed to gather data about corrective maintenance. Operator logs were also reviewed to supplement (or verify/check) the other data. The acquired data consisted of date, activity type and description, failed state, and reason/cause for the activity.

These data gathered in the field were organized by "date" (i.e., for each date, all activities on selected equipment were listed). These data were sorted to organize the activities by equipment. The corrective and preventative maintenance activities were combined in a chronological order to obtain the maintenance history of the equipment item.

In addition to the equipment history data, general information and data regarding ambient weather conditions (humidity and temperature) were collected. Plant operating logs were used to obtain data on the number of hours of operation for each unit.

#### 2.4 Maintenance Experience Summaries

The acquired data were sorted and compiled to obtain information regarding the maintenance history and seismic performance of the equipment. The hours of individual unit operation and local environmental conditions were also reviewed. These data are summarized in the following subsections.

2.4.1 General Information. El Centro is located in a dry, desert area approximately 16 miles from the epicenter and three miles from the causative fault of the Imperial Valley earthquake of Richter magnitude 6.6 (Figure 2-1). Several other earthquakes have affected this area since 1952, the initial operating date of Unit 2 (Refs. 4 and 5). These earthquakes are summarized in Table 2-3. Of the six earthquakes listed in Table 2-3, only the 1979 earthquake produced accelerations of 0.49 and 0.35g for the horizontal directions and 0.66g for the vertical direction (Refs. 2 and 3). The estimated/measured ground motions at the plant were smaller for the other earthquakes listed in the table.

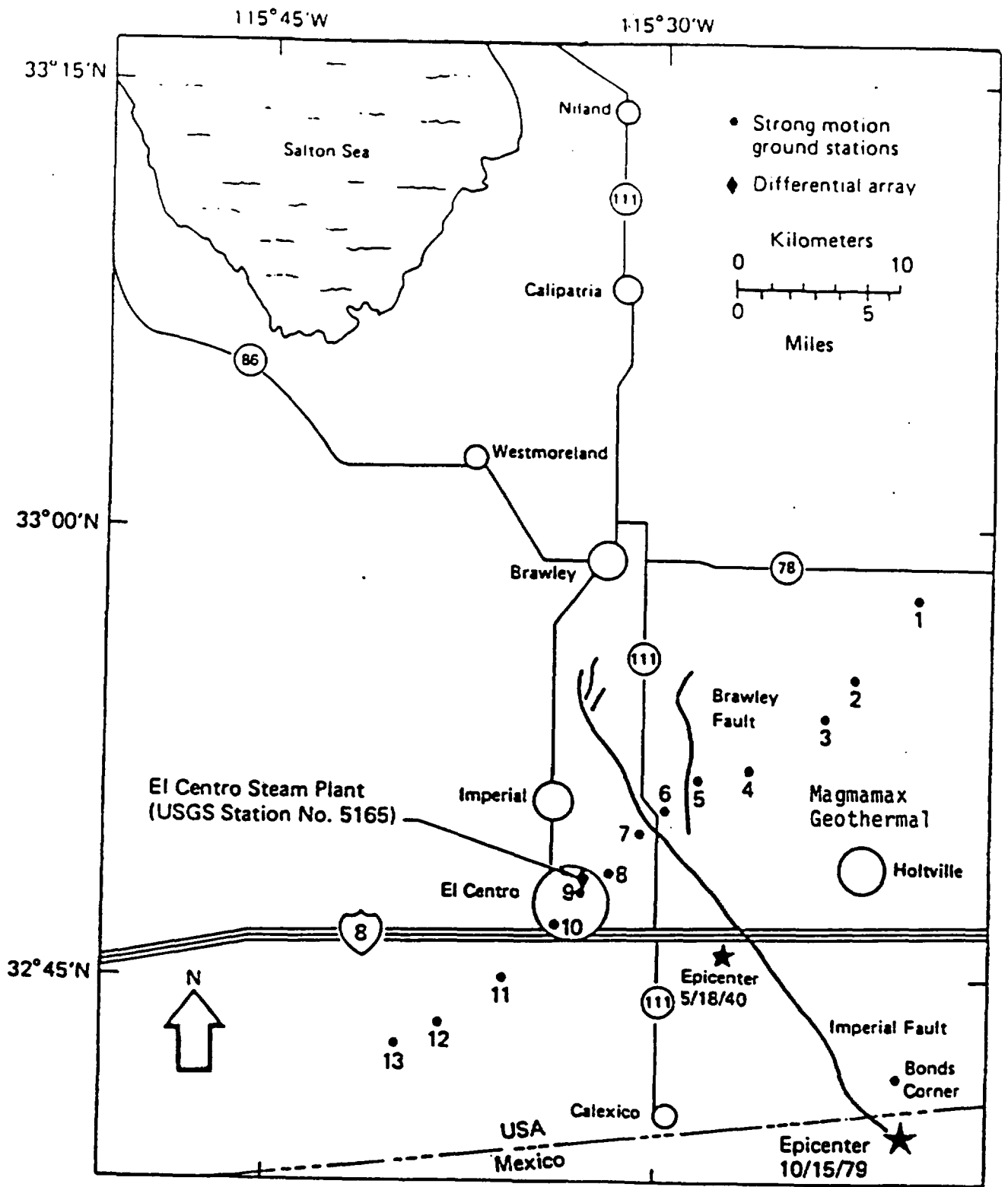


Figure 2-1: Map of the Imperial Valley, California, showing the ruptured segments of the Imperial fault, and the El Centro Steam Plant.

Table 2-3  
EARTHQUAKES IN IMPERIAL VALLEY  
SINCE 1953

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Location</u>            | <u>Magnitude</u> | <u>Maximum Intensity*</u> |
|-------------|----------------------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| 6-13-53     | Imperial Valley            | 5.5              | VII                       |
| 12-16-55    | Near Brawley               | 5.4              | VII                       |
| 5-22-63     | Imperial Valley            | 4.7              | VI                        |
| 3-4-66      | Near Imperial              | 3.6              | VI                        |
| 4-8-68      | South of Ocotillo Wells    | 6.5              | VII                       |
|             | Calexico Area (Aftershock) | 4.7              | VI                        |
| 11-4-76     | Imperial Valley            | 5.5              | VI                        |
| 10-15-79    | Imperial Valley            | 6.6              | VII                       |

\*These maximum intensities were not always near the plant.

The average temperature is between 50° F in February to 105° F in August, and the humidity is between 10% and 30% of RH. The typical swing in temperature between daytime high and nighttime low is 20° F, but at least a few times a year, the swing may be as high as 35° F. A histogram showing average temperature and humidity is presented in Figure 2-2.

Unit 2, constructed in 1950, started to produce power in 1952 and Unit 4, constructed in 1967, went on-line in 1968. The power production hours varied from year to year for each unit. Figure 2-3 shows the distribution of hours of operation since 1970.

2.4.2 Electric Motors. Because all the motors at the El Centro Plant are routinely used to produce power, they are well maintained. Excellent records are available for CM and PM activities on these items. A separate and more detailed file is kept on the large motors (i.e., greater than or equal to 100 hp). Several of these larger motors were selected for review based on the critical nature of their service and the detailed maintenance history information available. Selected motor CM and PM histories are presented in Appendix A.



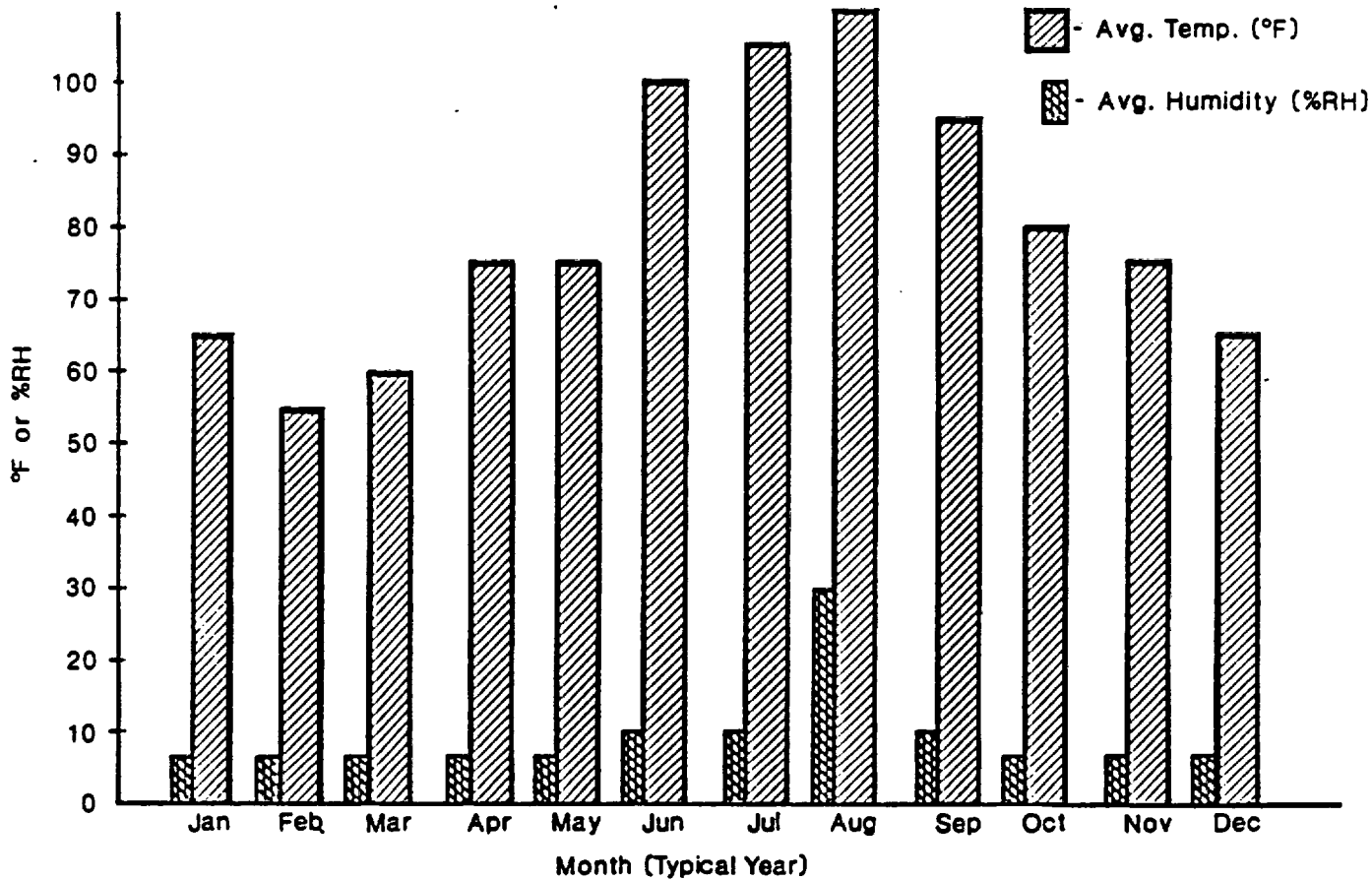


Figure 2-2: Average temperatures and humidities during a typical year at El Centro Steam Plant.

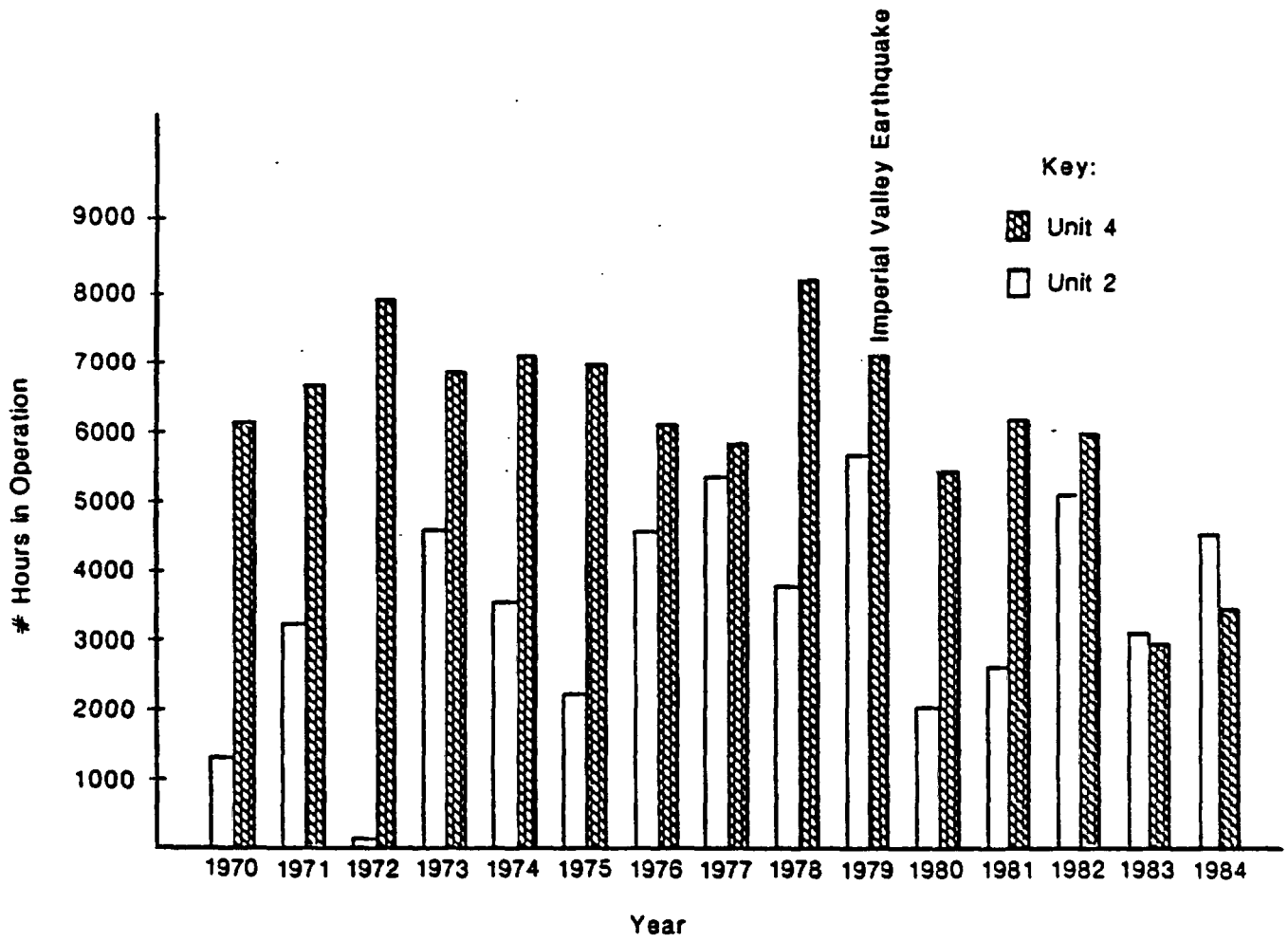


Figure 2-3: A comparison of operating hours for Units 2 and 4 at E1 Centro Steam Plant.

The majority of the large horsepower motors in Units 2 and 4 were manufactured by Allis Chalmers. Most of the motors on the site range from fractional to 100 hp and were primarily manufactured by GE and Fairbanks Morse. Units 2 and 4 contain 58 motors each. Figures 2-4 and 2-5 show the distribution of motors by HP for Units 2 and 4.

PM procedures conducted most frequently include: bearing inspections, alignment checks, and lubrication. All rotating equipment on the site is checked on an hourly basis for oil level, bearing temperature, and gland leakage. The shift supervisor logs all problems in a journal which is later reviewed by the plant superintendent. Significant plant operating problems or nuisances such as oil leakage, are flagged for action by the maintenance department.

The collected data showed that the 2300 volt motors such as the Forced Draft and Induced Draft Fans are generally subjected to more PM than smaller motors. Motors have demonstrated the highest CM rate of all equipment reviewed during this study. These activities have included: rewinding, re-alignment, and replacement of bearings. A motor is typically rewound when the windings are loose or burned up. The electrical shop on site rewinds motors less than 100 hp. Re-alignment is necessary for pump-motor and fan-motor sets due to excessive vibration and bumping which may later cause more extensive damage. Burned out bearings are replaced as required.

No motor failures occurred during any of the earthquakes. Eight out of fifty-nine instances of CM were noted within six months of a seismic event for all motor histories reviewed in detail (see Table 2-4).

Table 2-4

MOTOR CM WITHIN SIX MONTHS  
OF AN EARTHQUAKE

| <u>Earthquake Date</u> | <u>Corrective Maintenance</u> | <u>Description of Corrective Maintenance</u> | <u>Equipment Identification</u> |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| 6-13-53                | 10-9-53                       | Replace inboard bearing                      | Boiler Feed Pump 2-1            |
| 12-16-55               | 4-24-56                       | Replace lower guide bearing                  | Circulating Water Pump 2-2      |
| 5-22-63                | 6-11-63                       | Install shim under outboard foot             | Boiler Feed Pump 2-1            |
| 3-4-66                 | None                          | None   | None                            |
| 4-8-68                 | 8-27-68                       | Cut new keyway in outboard fan hub           | Boiler Feed Pump 4-1            |
|                        | 8-27-68                       | Repair rotor, reason unknown                 | Boiler Feed Pump 4-2            |
|                        | 8-27-68                       | Repair rotor, reason unknown                 | Boiler Feed Pump 4-3            |
| 11-4-76                | None                          | None   | None                            |
| 10-15-79               | 10-19-79                      | Replace motor bearing shim                   | Forced Draft Fan 4-1            |
|                        | 12-10-79                      | Install shim under outboard foot             | Forced Draft Fan 4-1            |

A previous study by the Electric Power Research Institute (Ref. 7) has found that seismic effects are minimal provided that motors are adequately maintained. The results of the Wylie phase two study on aging-seismic correlation also found that there is no correlation between aging and the seismic performance of motors (Ref. 7, the phase two report will be published in early 1986). This conclusion is further supported by this investigation and the BNL experience database (Ref. 8).

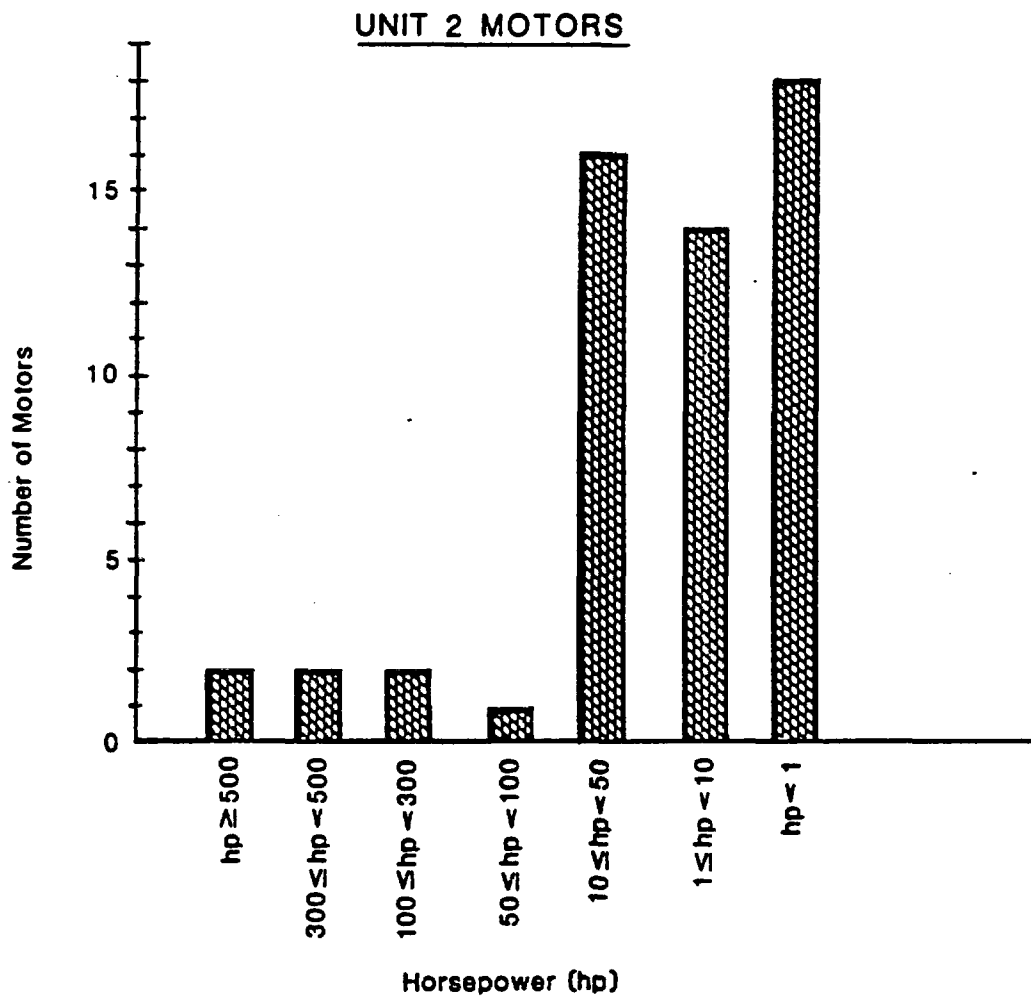


Figure 2-4: Horsepower ratings for Unit 2 motors at El Centro Steam Plant.

### UNIT 4 MOTORS

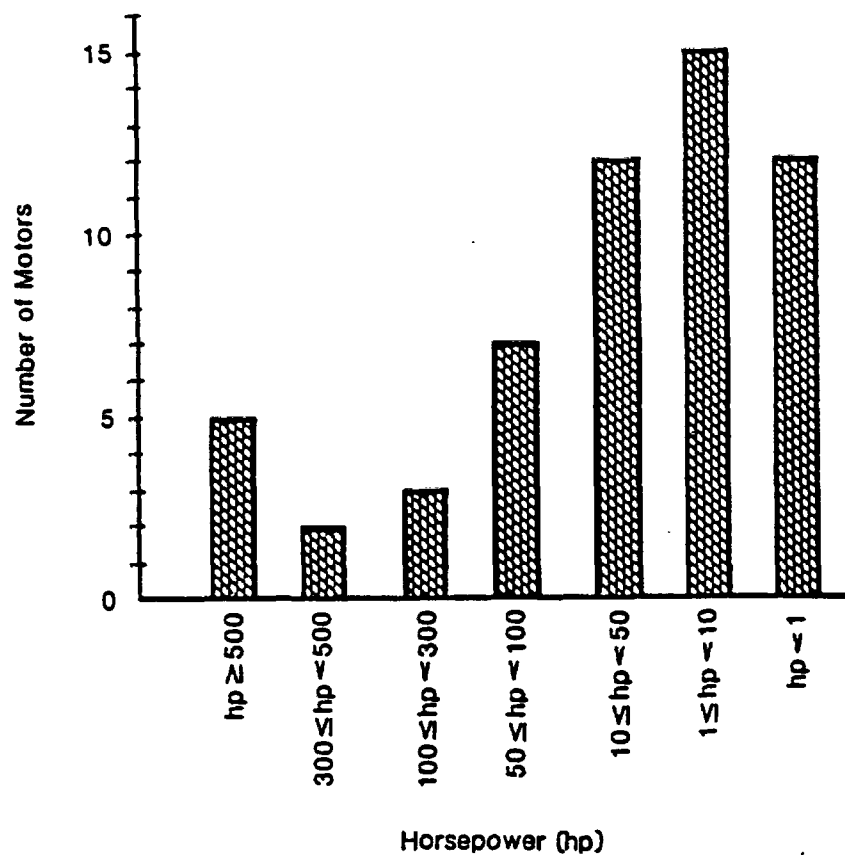


Figure 2-5: Horsepower ratings for Unit 4 motors at El Centro Steam Plant.

The annual PM performed on motors up to 33 years old at the El Centro Steam Plant is sufficient to prevent seismic failure due to age degradation.

Table 2-4 lists the motor CM activities within six months of the earthquakes felt at the site. Corrective maintenance activities conducted in 1953 and 1955 may be associated with initial plant operation and not the earthquake. Because these motors were basically new at that time, the failures were attributed to operational start-up problems. In three cases shims were replaced or installed. A clearance inspection and anchor bolt tightness check are therefore recommended following an earthquake. Four months following the 1968 earthquake, three maintenance activities were performed. One activity is an equipment modification and the other two are related to rotor. Because the two incidents occurred on two and not on all motors and only after one earthquake, these isolated incidents do not provide a basis for inferring aging-seismic correlation for motors.

CM activities were very limited in the years following the Imperial Valley earthquake. The six year period from the time of the earthquake to present is much shorter than from the installation date to 1979 for Units 2 and 4.

No specific motors demonstrated a higher CM rate than the average for all motors. It was observed that the type and frequency of PM did not change prior to and following the earthquake.

2.4.3 MOVs. A limited number of motor-operated valves are used at this site. Units 2 and 4 contain a total of six valves. Each unit includes a main steam stop valve and two circulating water discharge valves. All motor-operators were manufactured by Limitorque.

PM is conducted on a scheduled basis at approximately one-year intervals and generally includes inspection, cleaning, repacking, and lubrication. Corrective maintenance is typically performed on the valve, not the

motor operator. The Circulating Water Discharge Valve 2-1 was the only MOV repaired within six months of an earthquake (See Table 2-5). No CM was performed on the motor operator at that time. MOV CM and PM histories are presented in Appendix A.

No MOV failures occurred during the earthquake. The collected data showed that the type and frequency of CM and PM did not change prior to and following the seismic event.

TABLE 2-5  
MOV CM AFTER AN  
EARTHQUAKE

| <u>Earthquake Date</u> | <u>Corrective Maintenance</u> | <u>Description of Corrective Maintenance</u>                               | <u>Equipment Identification</u>       |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| 6-13-53                | None                          | None   | None                                  |
| 12-16-55               | 11-12-62                      | Repair valve leak  | Main Steam Stop Valve #2              |
| 5-22-63                | None                          | None   | None                                  |
| 3-4-66                 | 4-21-66                       | Grind edges on circumference of valve to relieve tight fit.                | Circulating Water Discharge Valve 2-1 |
|                        |                               | Reassemble gear.   |                                       |
|                        | 10-16-67                      | Install new rubber seat, cast iron holding segments, butterfly, and shaft. | Circulating Water Discharge Valve 2-1 |
|                        |                               | Rewind motor.  |                                       |
|                        |                               | Reset Limitorque.  |                                       |
|                        | 1-24-68                       | Check safety and try to reset popping pressure                             | Main Steam Stop Valve #4              |



TABLE 2-5 (cont.)

MOV CM AFTER AN  
EARTHQUAKE

| <u>Earthquake Date</u> | <u>Corrective Maintenance</u> | <u>Description of Corrective Maintenance</u>  | <u>Equipment Identification</u>       |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
|                        | 3-67                          | Replace rubber seal and cast iron segments.<br>Grease fittings installed in stem bushings.<br>Reset Limitorque. | Circulating Water Discharge Valve 2-2 |
| 4-8-68                 | 2-17-69                       | Lapped seat and disc and reassembled.   | Main Steam Stop Valve #4              |
|                        | 1-6-72                        | Repair due to failure to close electrically.  | Main Steam Stop Valve #2              |
|                        | 9-20-75                       | Replace disc.   | Circulating Water Discharge Valve 2-1 |
| 11-4-76                | None                          | None  | None                                  |
| 10-15-79               | 10-81                         | Remove and replace valve.   | Main Steam Stop Valve #4              |
|                        | 9-27-84                       | Free gear.  | Circulating Water Discharge Valve 4-2 |

**2.4.4 Circuit Breakers.** The majority of the circuit breakers at El Centro were manufactured by GE. Very few were replaced since the initial operation of Units 2 and 4. Typical PM activities include an inspection of all contacts, cleaning, and a check of the manual and

electrical operation at one year intervals. Maintenance dates are noted on the exterior of the cabinet.

Isolated instances of CM include the replacement of a solenoid winding and an electrical coil. No CM activities were noted within six months of an earthquake (See Table 2-6).

TABLE 2-6  
CIRCUIT BREAKER CM  
AFTER AN EARTHQUAKE

| <u>Earthquake Date</u> | <u>Corrective Maintenance</u> | <u>Description of Corrective Maintenance</u>     | <u>Equipment Identification</u>  |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| 6-13-53                | None                          | None   | None                             |
| 12-16-55               | None                          | None   | None                             |
| 5-22-63                | None                          | None   | None                             |
| 3-4-66                 | None                          | None   | None                             |
| 4-8-68                 | 10-8-71                       | Tighten bolts on pallet switches.                | Boiler Feed Pump 4-1 CB          |
|                        | 1-6-72                        | Replace winding in solenoid operation mechanism. | #2-13 CB in Pumphouse            |
|                        | 10-26-73                      | Clean and repair all breaker pallet switches.    | Boiler Feed Pump 4-1 CB          |
| 11-4-76                | 5-15-79                       | Replace electrical coil.                         | Service Water Return Pump 4-2 CB |
| 10-15-79               | 5-80                          | Repair CB because it wouldn't close.             | Fuel Oil Transfer Pump 4-1 CB    |

Sample circuit breaker CM and PM histories are presented in Appendix A. This sampling was selected based on those items exhibiting CM activities.

2.4.5 Relays. Most of the relays on site were manufactured by GE. Very little maintenance has been necessary on these items. They are typically inspected and cleaned on an annual basis. At that time the operability is also checked. An index card indicating the last service date is placed inside the glass enclosure of each relay. No CM activities occurred within six months of an earthquake (See Table 2-7).

TABLE 2-7

RELAY CM AFTER  
AN EARTHQUAKE

| <u>Earthquake Date</u> | <u>Corrective Maintenance</u> | <u>Description of Corrective Maintenance</u> | <u>Equipment Identification</u>                    |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|--|--|
| 6-13-53                | None                          | None   | None   |
| 12-16-55               | None                          | None   | None   |
| 5-22-63                | None                          | None   | None   |
| 3-4-66                 | None                          | None   | None   |
| 4-8-68                 | 8-19-70                       | Replace.                                     | Boiler Feed Pump 4-1<br>Bearing Oil Pressure Relay |
| 11-4-76                | None                          | None   | None   |
| 10-15-79               | None                          | None   | None   |

Several mercoid switches on high level alarms for the 2-4 and 4-3 Feedwater Heaters were repaired before the Imperial Valley earthquake. The type and frequency of CM and PM did not change prior to and following the earthquake. Sample relay CM and PM histories are presented in Appendix A.

2.4.6 MCCs. The majority of the MCC cabinets were manufactured by Square D and GE. These cabinets are cleaned and inspected on an annual

basis. The tightness of panel/cabinet and anchor bolts were checked and adjusted once after each earthquake. No other maintenance was performed on the panel/cabinets. All the PM and CM were performed on the relays and circuit breakers contained within the MCCs. These are addressed in their respective sections.

2.4.7 Battery Chargers and Inverters. No record of PM for the Unit 4 battery charger exists. No CM is recorded to date. Unit 2 utilizes a motor generator set and hence is included in Section 2.4.2.

There is one inverter at El Centro which was installed subsequent to the 1979 earthquake. Our brief survey of other California plants showed that the Glendale Power Plant, for example, has two inverters, both of which experienced the 1971 San Fernando earthquake. The brief survey showed that these inverters performed satisfactorily. Further investigation at other sites for this particular item is recommended.

### 3. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This pilot study was conducted to investigate the feasibility of using experience data for assessing the impact of aging on the seismic performance of equipment. Based upon the acquired data, inferences on the effect of age-degradation and maintenance activities on the seismic performance of sample equipment types were made. In addition, recommendations for expanding this successful pilot study to include other equipment types and plants/sites are presented.

#### 3.1 Assessment on the Use of Experience Data

The pilot study collected actual plant aging and maintenance experience data for selected equipment types in a sample power plant. This plant had experienced an earthquake with a free-field peak acceleration of 0.49 and 0.35g (horizontal) and 0.66g (vertical) in 1979. Two of the four units investigated in this pilot study were approximately 12 years and 27 years old. Pertinent preventative and corrective maintenance and seismic performance data were gathered and utilized to infer the relationship between aging (degradation/enhancement) and the seismic performance of selected equipment.

Based upon this pilot study, it is concluded that reliable equipment experience data can be acquired. Further, the study demonstrated that these data can be utilized to assess the relationship between aging, maintenance practices, and seismic performance of equipment. This study also demonstrated that PM is practical and essential for maintaining the seismic capacity of plant equipment based on actual plant experience data.

Representatives of many nuclear and non-nuclear plants in California were queried and it was concluded that all power plants maintain pertinent equipment data in an organized auditable manner (i.e., reliable data regarding the seismic performance of equipment and maintenance procedures can be extracted).

### 3.2 Findings on Seismic-Aging Correlation

Sample equipment types were investigated in this pilot study to assess whether aging and PM practices affect the seismic capacity of equipment. The ages of these items at the time of the earthquake and at present are tabulated in Table 3-1.

Table 3-1

#### SEISMIC-AGING CORRELATION ASSESSMENT

| <u>Type</u>         | <u>Number of Items</u>                               | <u>Age in Years<br/>at Time of<br/>Earthquake</u> | <u>Current<br/>Age</u>     |
|---------------------|--|---|----------------------------|
| Electric<br>Motors  | 116  | 12 (Unit 4)<br>27 (Unit 2)                        | 18 (Unit 4)<br>33 (Unit 2) |
| MOVs                | 6  | 12 (Unit 4)<br>27 (Unit 2)                        | 18 (Unit 4)<br>33 (Unit 2) |
| Relays              | 75-100 2400V<br>> 500 Total<br>(Each Unit)           | 12 (Unit 4)<br>27 (Unit 2)                        | 18 (Unit 4)<br>33 (Unit 2) |
| Circuit<br>Breakers | 75-100 2400V<br>> 500 Total<br>(Each Unit)           | 12 (Unit 4)<br>27 (Unit 2)                        | 18 (Unit 4)<br>33 (Unit 2) |
| MCCs                | 3 Assemblies<br>32 Units<br>3 Assemblies<br>32 Units | 12 (Unit 4)<br>27 (Unit 2)                        | 18 (Unit 4)<br>33 (Unit 2) |

The acquired equipment history data consisting of installation date, first operation date, corrective and preventative maintenance activity histories, seismic performance, local environmental conditions, and inferences on the relationship between equipment age and seismic performance capacity were assembled by considering the following:

- The corrective maintenance (CM) activity rate before and after the earthquake
- The types of failure states before and after the earthquake
- The PM activity rate before and after the earthquake

- The average PM and CM activity rate of an equipment type versus the specific equipment activity rate

Based upon a study of the data collected for the selected equipment types, it is inferred that aging does not affect the seismic capacity of motors, circuit breakers, relays, MOVs, and MCCs at the El Centro Power Plant as long as the routine PMs are performed. The pilot study also identified that a bolt tightness check and clearance inspection are essential to PM in order to maintain the seismic capacity of equipment throughout their life.

### 3.3 Recommendations for Future Research

This pilot study has demonstrated the usefulness of the actual plant experience data in addressing the aging-seismic relationship of plant equipment. Additional research would be cost beneficial in resolving the aging-seismic issues of a large number of plant equipment types.

To maximize the benefits from future research efforts, an organized approach is recommended. Based upon a review of available literature on aging-seismic issues and availability of experience data, it is recommended that the future efforts focus on the following equipment types:

- Electro-mechanical switches (snap acting type)
- Snubbers
- MOVs
- Pumps
- Protective relays
- Inverters
- Batteries
- Solenoid valves
- Check valves

Additional data on MOVs and inverters should be collected at other sites in order to expand the limited selection at El Centro Plant.

It is further recommended that the future research investigate equipment in all California sites affected by earthquakes greater than 0.3g.

These facilities may include:

- Sylmar Converter Station
- Valley Steam Power Plant
- Burbank Power Plant
- Glendale Power Plant
- Humboldt Bay Power Plant
- Las Ventanas Power Plant

Our investigation found that each of these sites keeps CM and PM records on most equipment.



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**APPENDIX A**

Table A-1

Standard Motor Preventative Maintenance

| <u>Abbreviation</u> | <u>Description</u>  |
|---------------------|---|
| PM1                 | Lubricate motor (drain, flush, and renew oil).  |
| PM2                 | Install asbestos gaskets on bearing seal faces to prevent oil leakage.  |
| PM3                 | Remove rotor, clean and wash out windings.  |
| PM4                 | Clean coils.  |
| PM5                 | Paint stator windings with Glyptal.   |
| PM6                 | Check inboard and outboard clearances.  |
| PM7                 | Check vibration.  |
| PM8                 | Check alignment of pump and motor.  |
| PM9                 | Check motor sight glass.  |
| PM10                | Check shaft.  |
| PM11                | Inspect motor thrust bearing.   |
| PM12                | Check rotor for trueness.   |
| PM13                | Paint motor.  |
| PM14                | Check alignment of motor and fan.   |
| PM15                | Check and align motor and gear box shaft coupling.  |
| PM16                | Overhaul (i.e. complete list).  |
| PM17                | Lower pitch.  |
| PM18                | Use Loc-Tite between bushing and motor shaft to prevent separation between fan and shaft.                                 |
| PM19                | Inspect all bearings.   |
| PM20                | Inspect outboard bearing.   |
| PM21                | Inspect inboard bearing.  |
| PM22                | Inspect both boiler fans and fan duct work. Check condition of drive linkage and all pivot points.                        |
| PM23                | Inspect, clean, and repack drive couplings and motor bearings for air preheater.  |
| PM24                | Inspect cooling tower fans. Clean and repair fan motors, shafts, shaft couplings, gear boxes, and fan blades as required. |

TABLE A-1 (Continued)

| <u>Abbreviation</u> | <u>Description</u>  |
|---------------------|---|
| PM25                | Clean and inspect motor generator set on battery charger and stone commutator as necessary. |
| PM26                | Remove inspection plates and blow out large motors on boiler fans.                          |
| PM27                | Check windings.   |
| PM28                | Check oil for foreign particles.  |
| PM29                | Check upper bearing.  |
| PM30                | Blow out motor.   |
| PM31                | Repack coupling.  |
| PM32                | Clean bearings.   |

**TABLE A-2**  
**STANDARD MOTOR CORRECTIVE MAINTENANCE**

| <u>Abbreviation</u> | <u>Description</u>                 | <u>Reason</u>  |
|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| CM1                 | Install new motor.                 | 1. Unknown (amine pump only).  |
| CM2                 | Rebuild motor.                     | 1. Unknown (sootblower air motor only).  |
| CM3                 | Rewind motor.                      | 1. Motor burned up (burned out coils), 2. Windings loose, 3. Motor on fire.            |
| CM4                 | Renew coupling.                    | 1. Motor-pump coupling stripped, 2. Gear box drive coupling turned and froze to shaft. |
| CM5                 | Align motor and pump.              | 1. Bump, 2. Motor lower than pump.   |
| CM6                 | Remove and revamp balancing drum.  | 1. Excessive vibration.  |
| CM7                 | Replace all bearings.              | 1. Bearings rough, 2. Found water in both bearings.                                    |
| CM8                 | Replace inboard bearing.           | 1. Bearing burn out, 2. Lower half of bearing with broken ear.                         |
| CM9                 | Replace outboard bearing.          | 1. Bearing wiped.  |
| CM10                | Replace seals in outboard bearing. | 1. Seals curled (oil leak at seal joint).  |
| CM11                | Retie loose strings.               | 1. Coil strings broken and loose.  |
| CM12                | Install shim under outboard foot.  | 1. Clearance between footing and base.   |
| CM13                | Replace cooling coil.              | 1. Unknown.  |
| CM14                | Grind laminations on rotor.        | 1. Rotor rubbed stator.  |
| CM15                | Repair ground in cable to motor.   | 1. Unknown.  |
| CM16                | Repair electrical leads.           | 1. Leads burned during system upset.   |
| CM17                | Repair motor fan vanes.            | 1. Severe vibration indicated broken fan vanes.  |

TABLE A-2 (Continued)

| <u>Abbreviation</u> | <u>Description</u>                                | <u>Reason</u>   |
|---------------------|---|---|
| CM18                | Replace radial bearing.                           | 1. Burned up due to low oil level.  |
| CM19                | Cut off inboard end of motor shaft.               | 1. Bump, 2. Vibration indicated motor shaft pushing against fan shaft.                                    |
| CM20                | Cut new keyway in outboard fan hub for motor.     | 1. Cooling fan came completely off rotor.   |
| CM21                | Repair key.                                       | 1. Motor shaft turning in coupling.   |
| CM22                | Use Loc-Tite between bushing and motor shaft.     | 1. Fan came loose.  |
| CM23                | Replace shaft hub.                                | 1. Fan hitting housing.   |
| CM24                | Replace lower guide bearing.                      | 1. Bearing, bearing housing and piping full of carbon (bearing dry)                                       |
| CM25                | Redowl and reshim.                                | 1. Dismantled motor.  |
| CM26                | Repair seals in outboard bearing.                 | 1. Damaged shim between upper end of shaft and drive sleeve.  |
| CM27                | Repair rotor.                                     | 1. Unknown.   |
| CM28                | Install new sight glasses on motor bearings.      | 1. Unknown.   |
| CM29                | Reposition inboard oil seal.                      | 1. Excessive vibration and noise.   |
| CM30                | Modify motor to allow oil to drain.               | 1. Improper oil drainage.   |
| CM31                | Rewedge and relash rotor.                         | 1. Excessive vibration and pulsating noise.   |
| CM32                | Shim and clamp down thrust bearing                | 1. Bearing rocking in housing.  |
| CM33                | Dismantle, wash windings, set for proper air gap. | 1. Rotor dropped, causing excessive vibration and smoke due to rubbing between rotor and stator windings. |

TABLE A-2 (Continued)

| <u>Abbreviation</u> | <u>Description</u>                              | <u>Reason</u>  |
|---------------------|---|--|
| CM34                | Replace upper guide bearing.                    | 1. Bearing wiped.  |
| CM35                | Repair rotor and stator.                        | 1. Clicking noise noted,<br>2. Evidence of rubbing such excessive temperature in stator and burned insulation smell. |
| CM36                | Tighten bearing hold down screw.                | 1. Combat excessive vibration, 2. Bearing rocking in housing.  |
| CM37                | Align fan and motor.                            | 1. Motor sent out for rewinding.   |
| CM38                | Install shim between bearing case and end bell. | 1. Outboard bearing rotated  |
| CM39                | Replace motor bearing shim.                     | 1. Shim had worked out. Use thicker shim.  |
| CM40                | Metal spray and remachine shaft.                | 1. Motor bearing frozen to shaft.  |
| CM41                | Metal spray and machine housing                 | 1. Fan loose, rubbed housing.  |

**Table A-3**

**Standard Circuit Breaker Corrective Maintenance**

| <u>Abbreviation</u> | <u>Description</u>  |
|---------------------|---|
| CM1                 | Replace winding in solenoid operation mechanism.          |
| CM2                 | Replace electrical coil.                                  |
| CM3                 | Repair breaker because it wouldn't close. Reason unknown. |
| CM4                 | Clean and repair all breaker pallet switches.             |
| CM5                 | Tighten bolts on pallet switches.                         |



Table A-4

Standard Circuit Breaker Preventative Maintenance

| <u>Abbreviation</u> | <u>Description</u>   |
|---------------------|--|
| PM1                 | Remove from cubicle, remove and inspect arc chutes, inspect main contacts, inspect dash pots, inspect control contacts, clean and inspect entire mechanism, inspect throwover switch, check manual and electrical operation. |
| PM2                 | Clean and lubricate closing and trip mechanisms.   |
| PM3                 | Check all connectors, nuts and bolts for tightness.  |
| PM4                 | Lubricate pallet push rods with Molycote.  |

Table A-5

## Standard MOV Corrective Maintenance

| <u>Abbreviation</u> | <u>Description</u>  | <u>Reason(s)</u>  |
|---------------------|---|---|
| CM1                 | Check safety and try to reset popping pressure. Internal inspection required.   | After popping several times, it did not reseal.   |
| CM2                 | Lapped seat and disc and reassembled.   | Seating surfaces of both disc and seat were slightly cut. Suspect that disc was not free of the valve stem. |
| CM3                 | Remove and replace valve.   | Unknown.  |
| CM4                 | Repair.   | Failed to close electrically.   |
| CM5                 | Repair valve leak.  | Unknown.  |
| CM6                 | Free gear.  | Valve would not close, gear frozen.   |
| CM7                 | Grind edges on circumference of valve to relieve tight fit.                     | Gear shaft had kink in it causing broken teeth.   |
| CM8                 | Reassembled gear.   | Gear shaft had kink in it causing broken teeth.   |
| CM9                 | Install new rubber seat, cast iron holding segments, butterfly, and shaft.      | Jagged edge of sem cut rubber seat and broke section of cast iron holding segments.                         |
| CM10                | Replace disc.   | Disc came loose from shaft.   |
| CM11                | Rewind motor.   | Motor burned out.   |
| CM12                | Replace rubber seal and cast iron segments.                                     | Unknown.  |
| CM13                | Grease fittings installed in the stem bushings.                                 | Unknown.  |
| CM14                | Set Limitorque on minimum torque and to operate immediately after limit switch. | Unknown.  |

**Table A-6**

**Standard MOV Preventative Maintenance**

| <u>Abbreviation</u> | <u>Description</u>                                       |
|---------------------|--|
| PM1                 | Lubricate.   |
| PM2                 | Inspect, clean, repack, and note any unusual conditions. |
| PM3                 | Check operation.   |
| PM4                 | Change oil in motor gear box.                            |

**Table A-7**

**Standard Relay Corrective Maintenance**

| <u>Abbreviation</u> | <u>Description</u> |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| CM1                 | Replace.           |

**Table A-8**

**Standard Relay Preventative Maintenance**

| <u>Abbreviation</u> | <u>Description</u>           |
|---------------------|------------------------------|
| PM1                 | Inspect and check operation. |
| PM2                 | Clean and check operation.   |

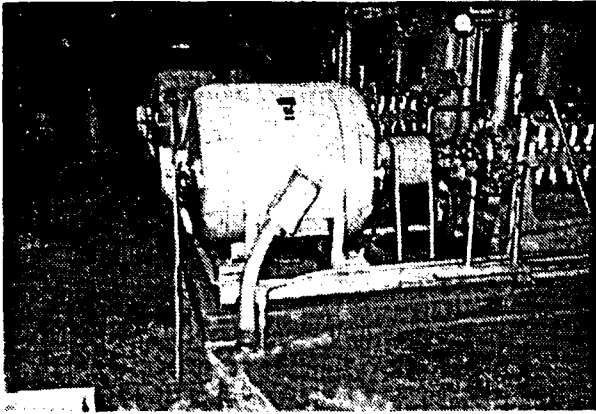
**Table A-9**

**Standard MCC Preventative Maintenance**

| <u>Abbreviation</u> | <u>Description</u>                                |
|---------------------|---|
| PMI                 | Clean and blow out cabinet.<br>Tighten all bolts. |

**Table A-10**  
**Maintenance Histories**

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| <b>Motors</b>           |   |               |             |
| 1                       | Boiler Feed Pump 2-1                      | A-1           | A-14        |
| 2                       | Boiler Feed Pump 2-2                      | A-2           | A-15        |
| 3                       | Circulating Water Pump 2-1                | A-3           | A-16        |
| 4                       | Circulating Water Pump 2-2                | A-4           | A-17        |
| 5                       | Boiler Feed Pump 4-1                      | A-11          | A-24        |
| 6                       | Boiler Feed Pump 4-2                      | A-12          | A-25        |
| 7                       | Boiler Feed Pump 4-3                      | A-13          | A-26        |
| 8                       | Circulating Water Pump 4-1                | A-14          | A-27        |
| 9                       | Circulating Water Pump 4-2                | A-15          | A-28        |
| 10                      | Forced Draft Fan 4-1                      | A-16          | A-29        |
| 11                      | Forced Draft Fan 4-2                      | A-17          | A-30        |
| 12                      | Service Water Pump 4-1                    | A-18          | A-31        |
| <b>MOVs</b>             |   |               |             |
| 1                       | Main Steam Stop Valve 2                   | A-5           | A-18        |
| 2                       | Circulating Water Discharge Valve 2-1     | A-6           | A-19        |
| 3                       | Circulating Water Discharge Valve 2-2     | A-7           | A-20        |
| 4                       | Main Steam Stop Valve 4                   | A-19          | A-32        |
| 5                       | Circulating Water Discharge Valve 4-1     | A-20          | A-33        |
| 6                       | Circulating Water Discharge Valve 4-2     | A-21          | A-34        |
| <b>Circuit Breakers</b> |   |               |             |
| 1                       | In Pumphouse 2-13                         | A-8           | A-21        |
| 2                       | 480 V Condensate Pump 2-1                 | A-9           | A-22        |
| 3                       | 13.8 KV Main Generator                    | A-10          | A-23        |
| 4                       | 2400 V Boiler Feed Pump 4-1               | A-22          | A-35        |
| 5                       | Service Water Return Pump 4-2             | A-23          | A-36        |
| 6                       | Fuel Oil Transfer Pump 4-1                | A-24          | A-37        |
| <b>Relays</b>           |   |               |             |
| 1                       | Aux. Gen. Breaker Quick Pickup            | A-25          | A-38        |
| 2                       | Boiler Feed Pump Bearing Oil Pressure 4-1 | A-26          | A-39        |
| <b>MCCs</b>             |   |               |             |
| 1                       | MCC in Unit 4                             | A-27          | A-40        |



**BOILER FEED PUMP MOTOR #2-1**

Allis Chalmers, 600 hp, 3650 rpm,  
 2300 V, 132 Amps, Serial # 1-5130-42170-1-2  
 Ground Floor

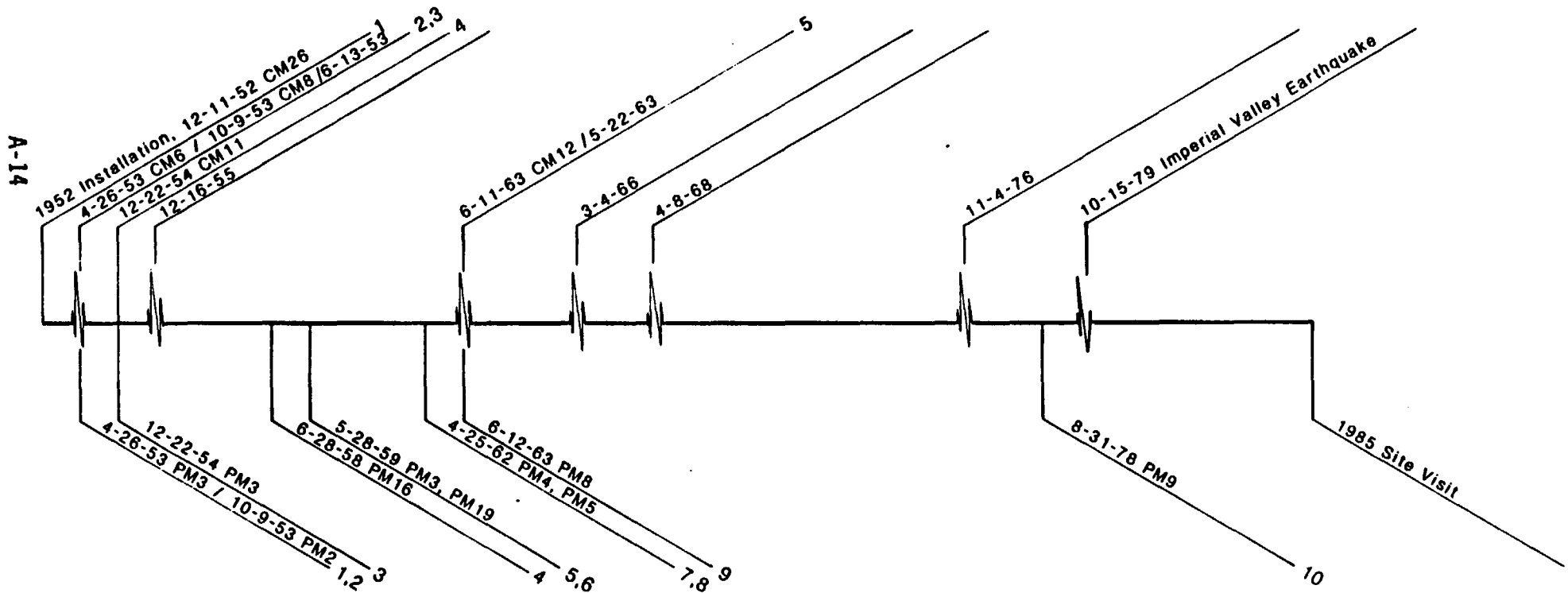
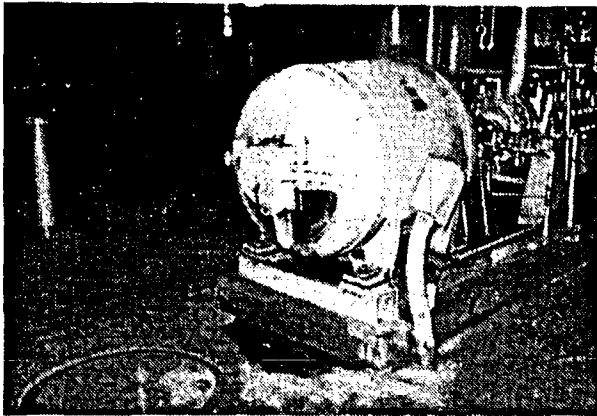


Figure A-1: Maintenance history for Boiler Feed Pump Motor #2-1 at E1 Centro Steam Plant.





**BOILER FEED PUMP MOTOR #2-2**  
 Allis Chalmers, 600 hp, 3650 rpm  
 2300 V, 132 Amps, Serial # 1-5130-42170-1-1  
 Ground Floor

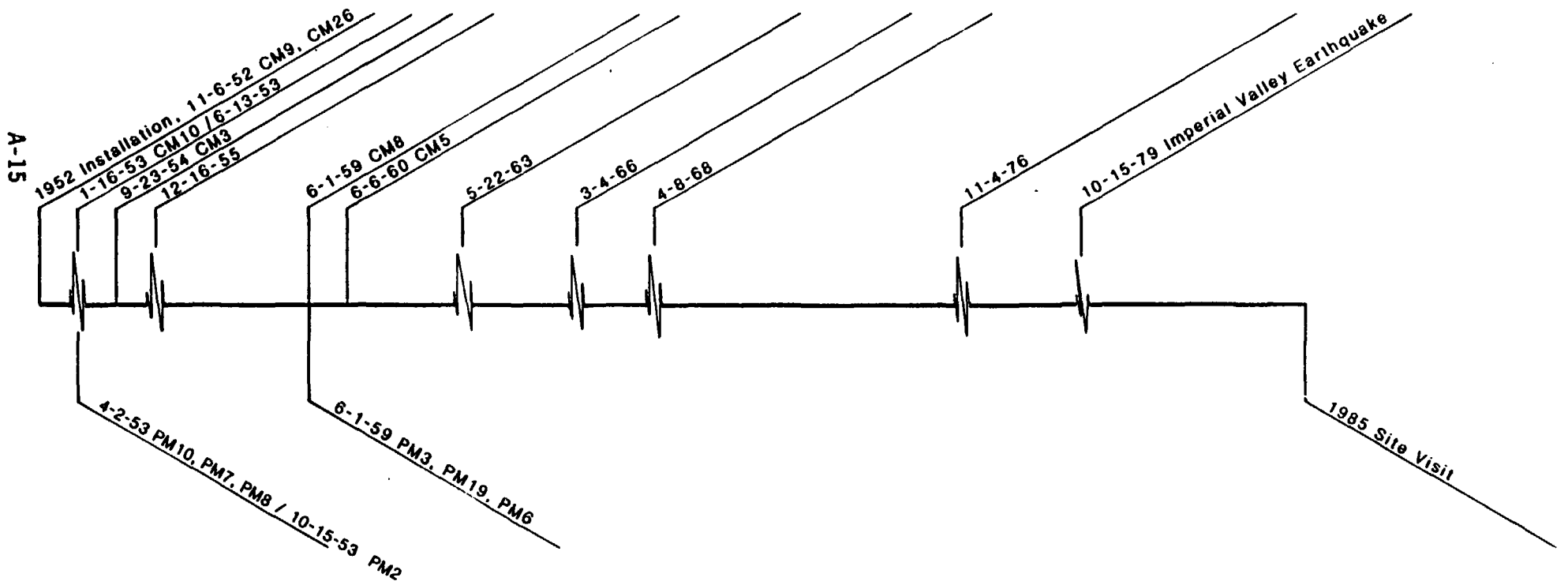
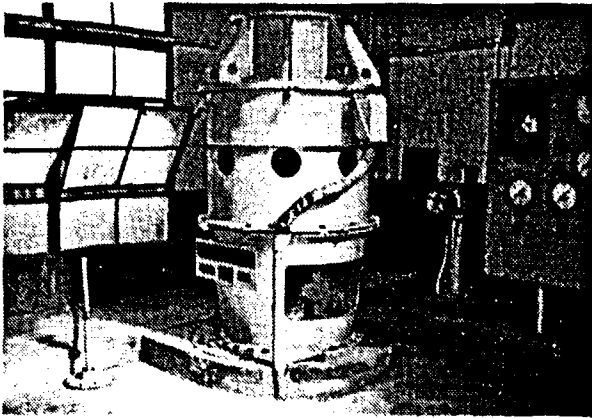
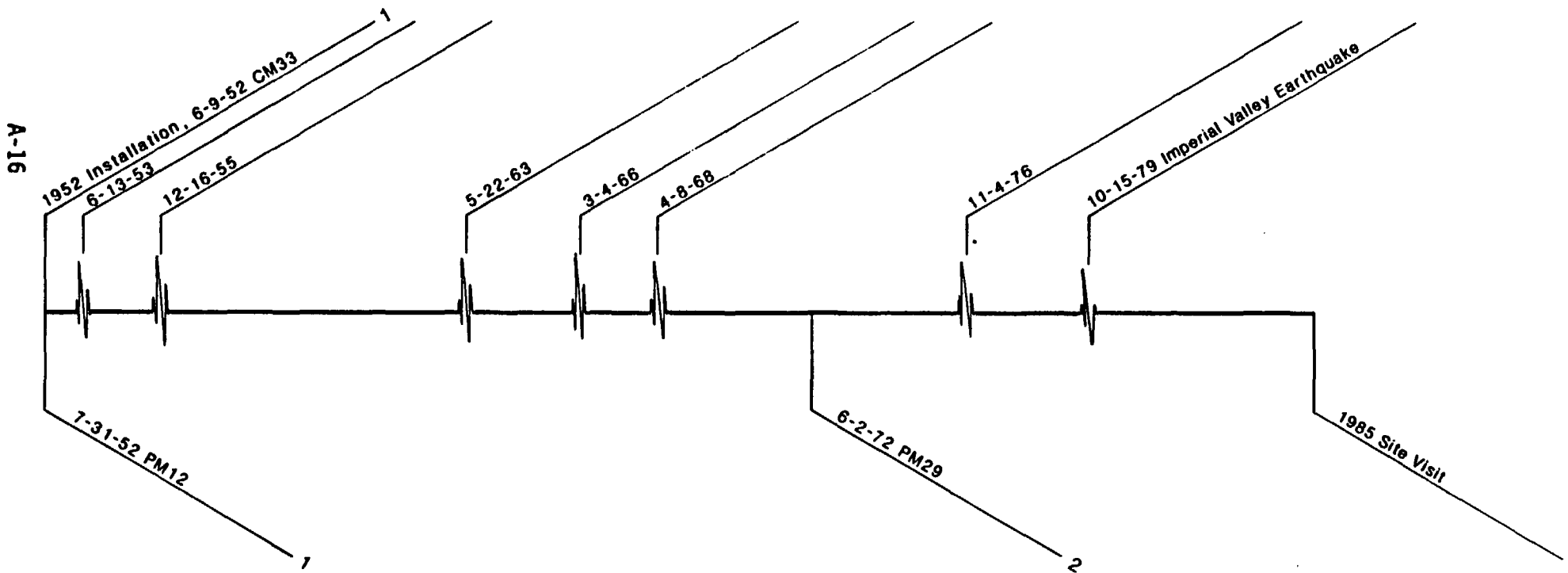


Figure A-2: Maintenance history for Boiler Feed Pump Motor #2-2 at E1 Centro Steam Plant.

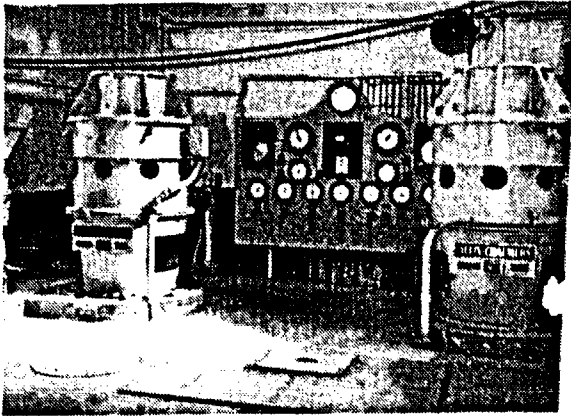


**CIRCULATING WATER PUMP MOTOR #2-1**

Allis Chalmers, 300 hp, 584 rpm  
 2300 V, 73.5 Amps, Serial # 154130  
 Pumphouse - Ground Level



**Figure A-3: Maintenance history for Boiler Circulating Water Pump Motor #2-1 at El Centro Steam Plant.**



**CIRCULATING WATER PUMP MOTOR #2-2**

Allis Chalmers, 300 hp, 584 rpm  
 2300 V, 73.5 Amps, Serial # 154129  
 Pumphouse - Ground Level

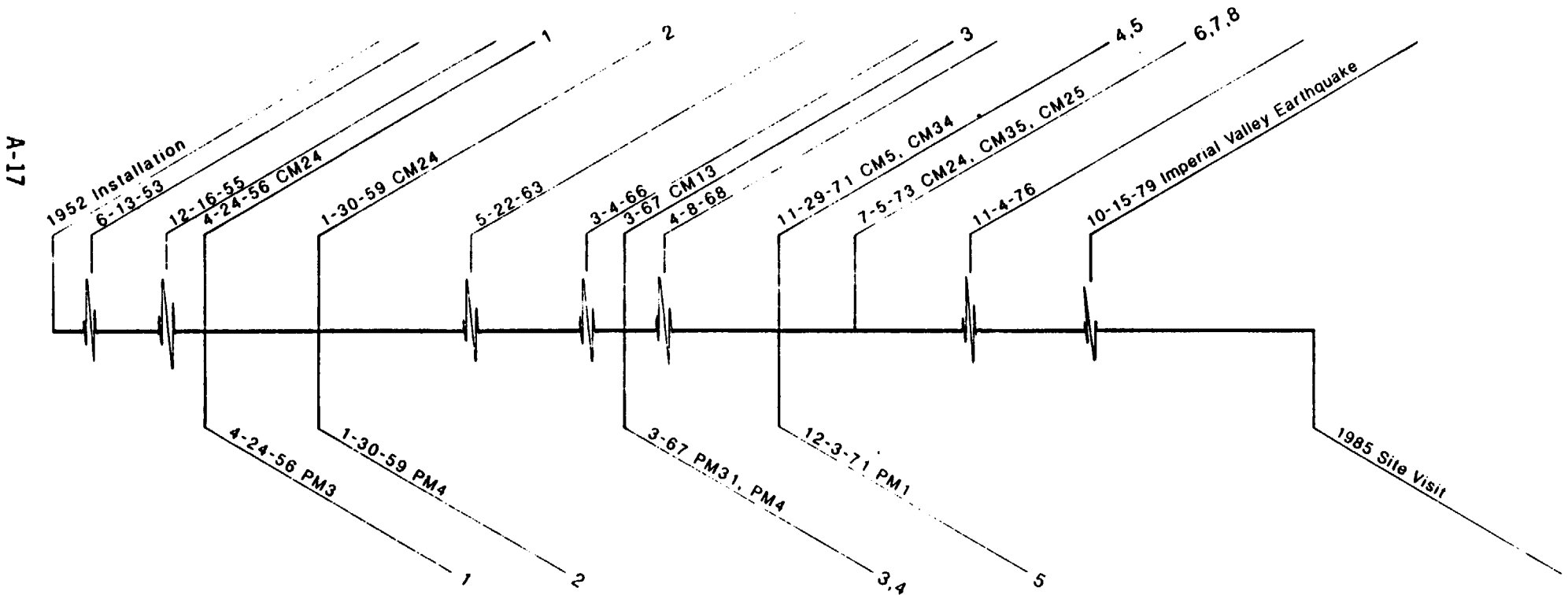


Figure A-4: Maintenance history for Boiler Circulating Water Pump Motor #2-2 at El Centro Steam Plant.

**UNIT 2 MAIN STEAM STOP MOV**  
**Limitorque**

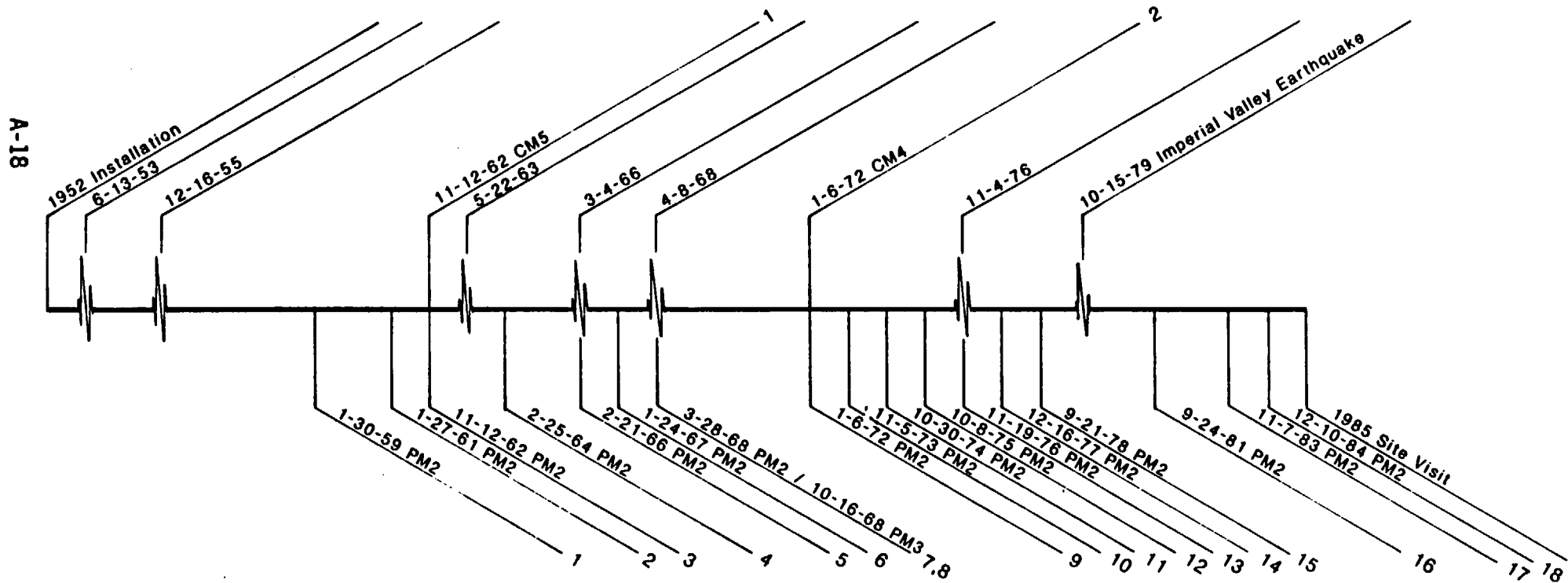


Figure A-5: Maintenance history for the Unit 2 Main Steam Stop MOV at E1 Centro Steam Plant.

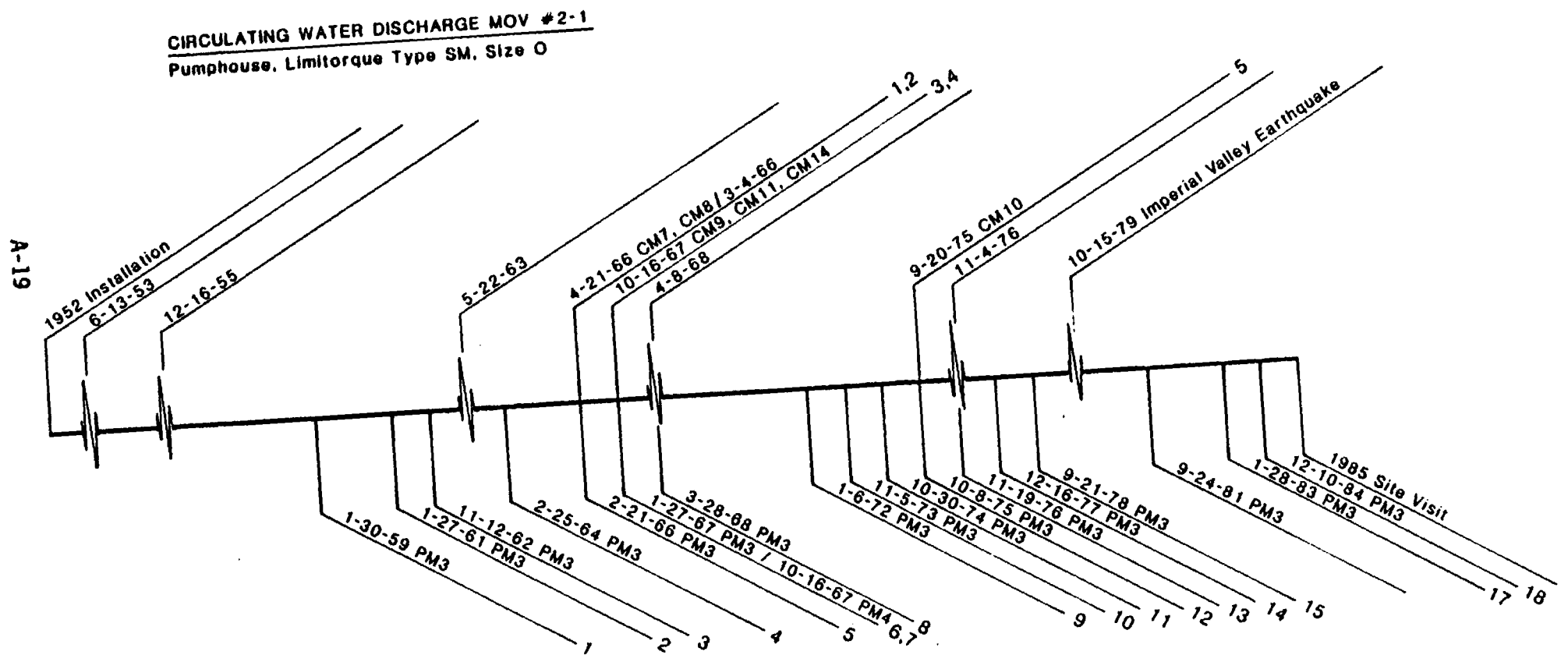
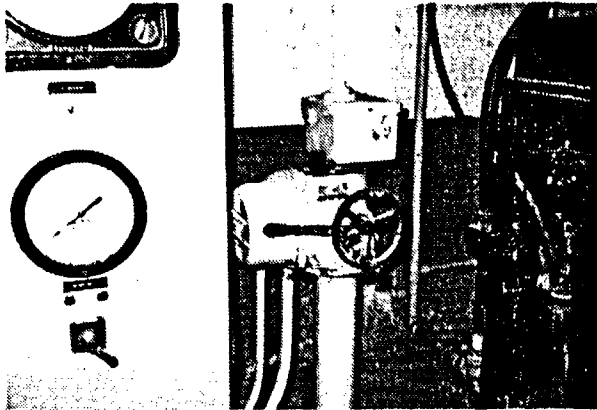
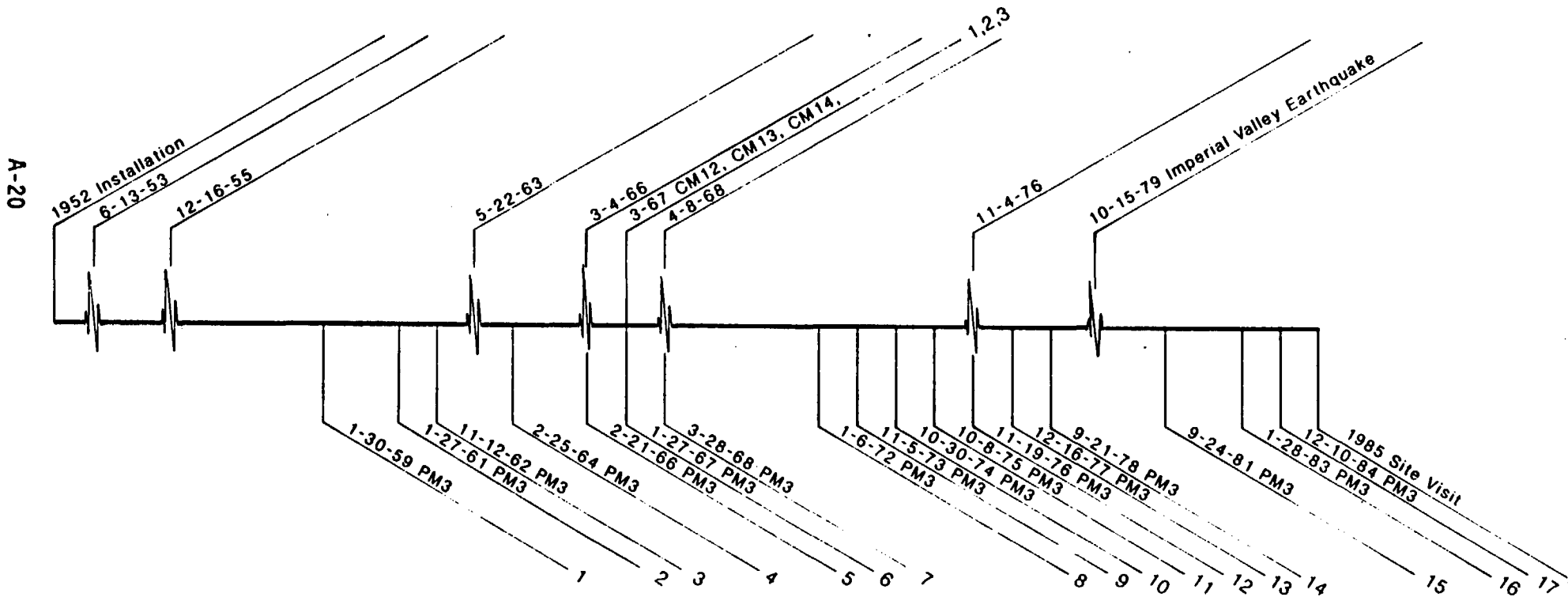


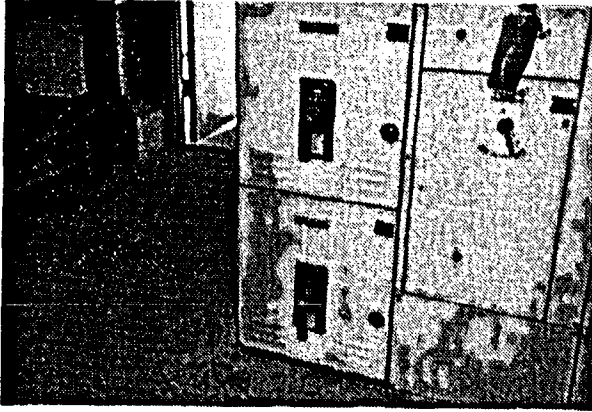
Figure A-6: Maintenance history for Circulating Water Discharge MOV #2-1 at El Centro Steam Plant.



**CIRCULATING WATER DISCHARGE MOV #2-2**  
**Pumphouse, Limitorque Type SM, Size O**



**Figure A-7 Maintenance History for Circulating Water Discharge MOV #2-2 at El Centro Steam Plant.**



#2-13 CIRCUIT BREAKER IN PUMPHOUSE

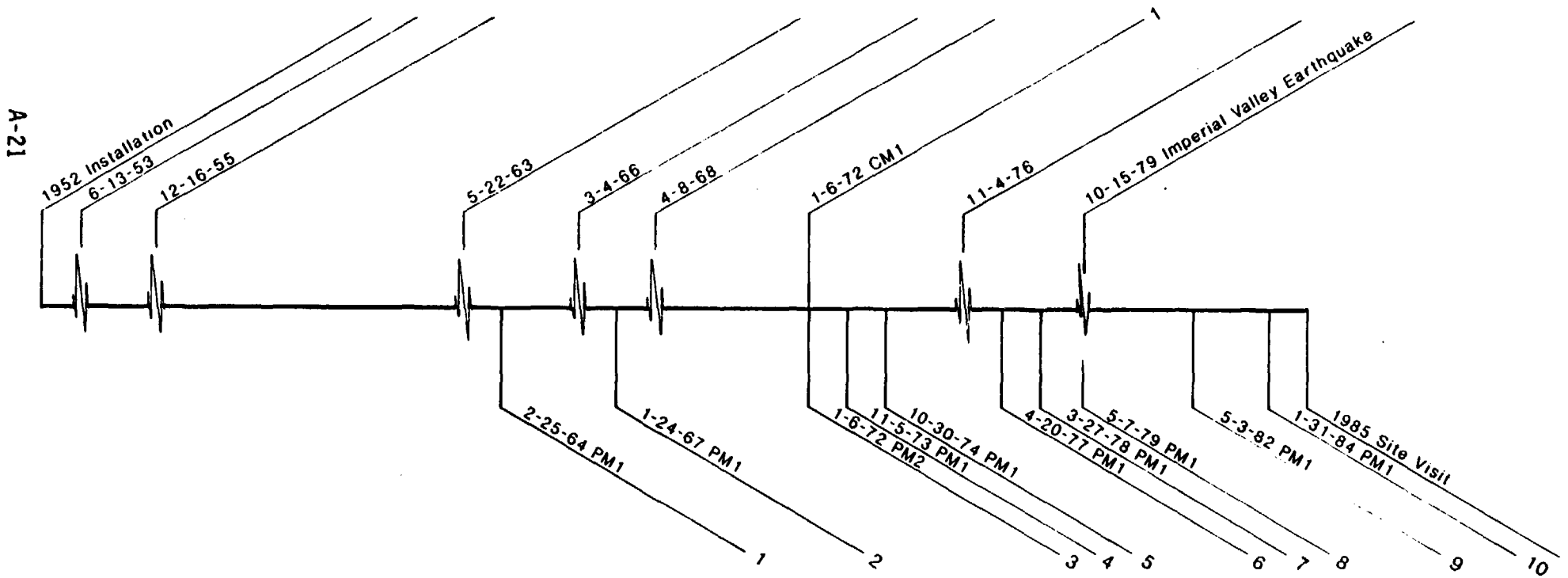
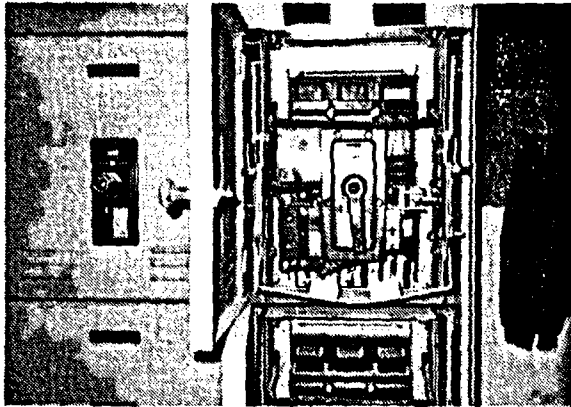


Figure A-8: Maintenance History for the #2-13 Circuit Breaker in the Pumphouse at El Centro Steam Plant.



**480-V CONDENSATE PUMP 2-1 CIRCUIT BREAKER**

Airbreaker, GE Switchgear, Type AK-1-25  
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 Typical circuit breaker for Unit 2

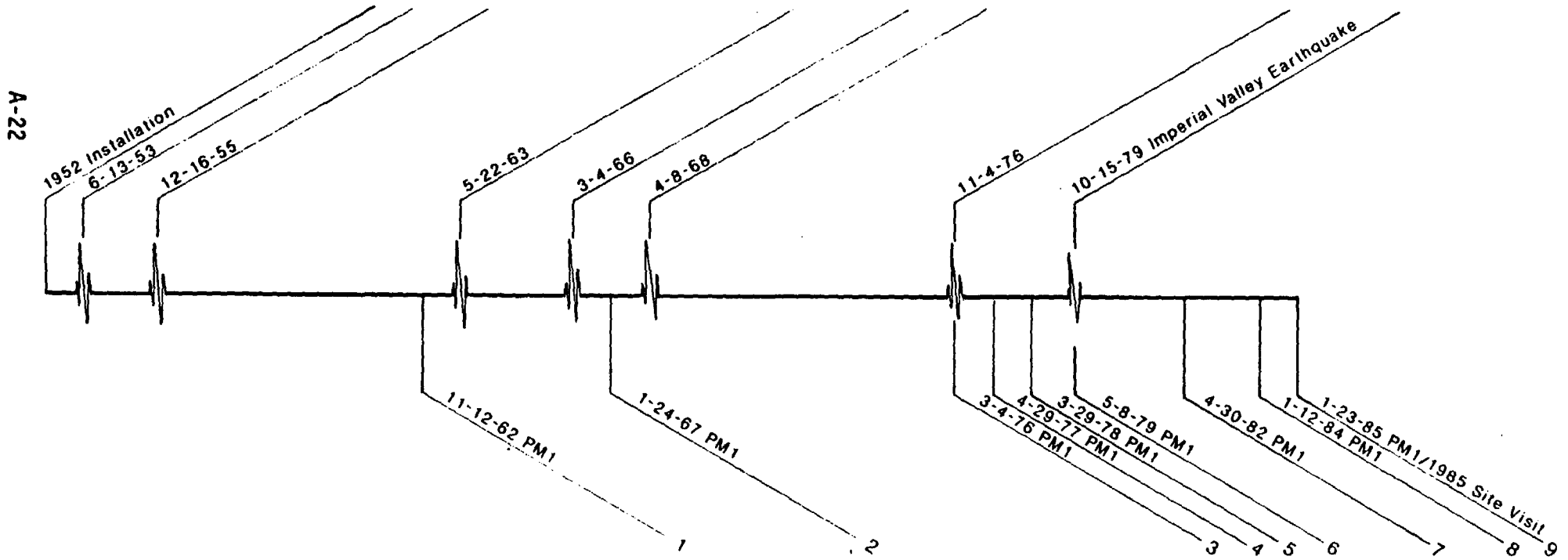


Figure A-9: Maintenance History for the Condensate Pump #2-1 Circuit Breaker at El Centro Steam Plant.



13.8 KV MAIN GENERATOR CIRCUIT BREAKER IN UNIT 2

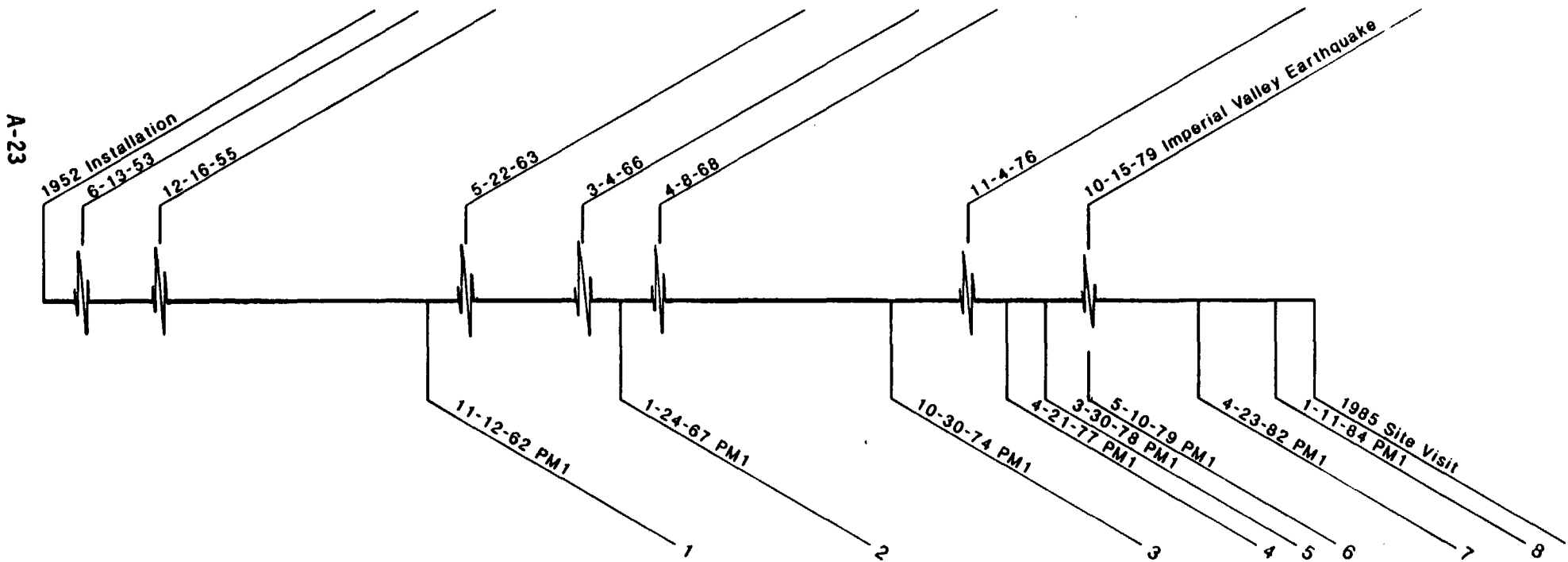
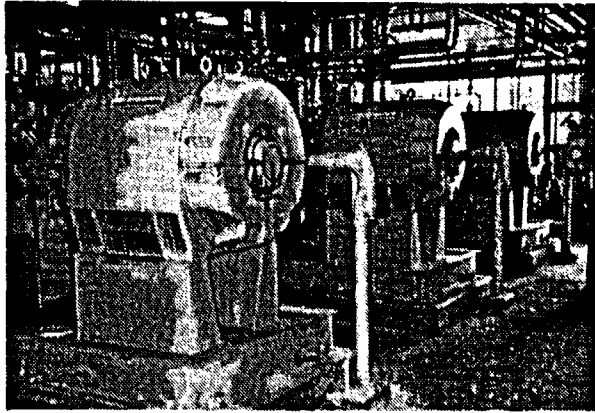


Figure A-10: Maintenance History for the Unit 2 13.8 kV Main Generator Circuit Breaker at El Centro Steam Plant.



**BOILER FEED PUMP MOTOR #4-1**

Allis Chalmers, 800 hp, 3560 rpm  
 2300 V, 172 Amps, Serial #1-5115-14468-1-1  
 Ground Floor

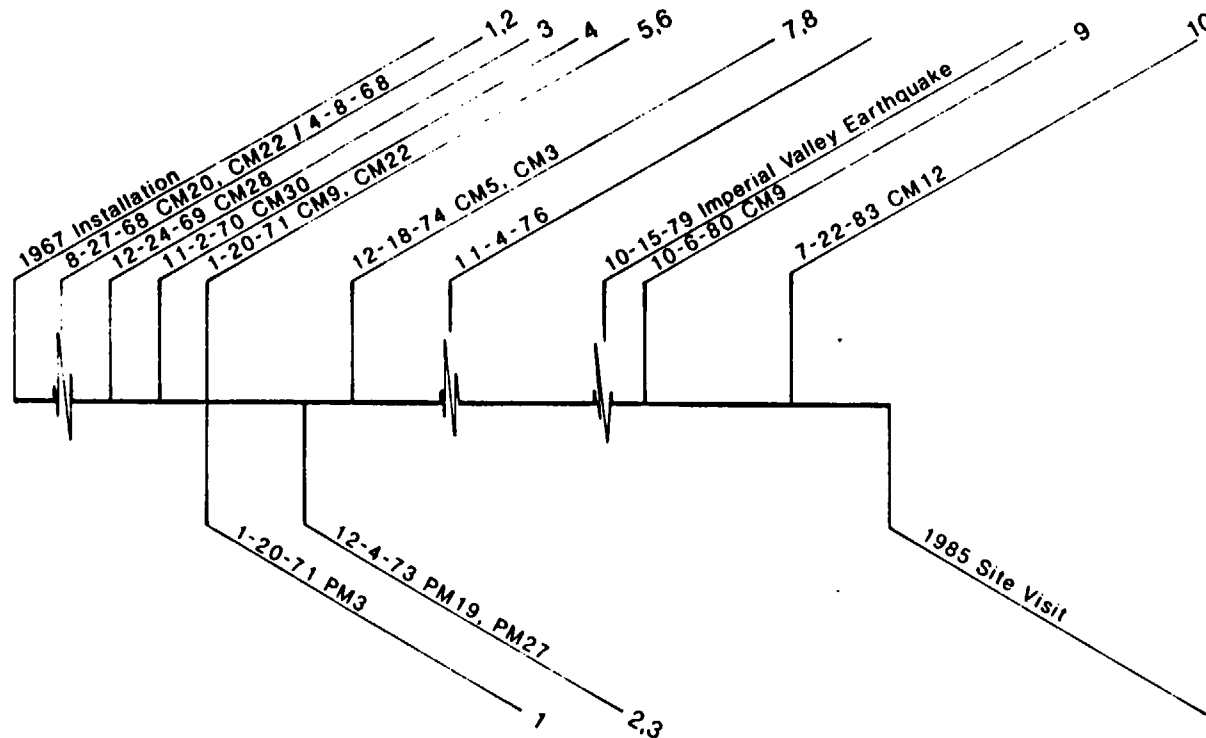


Figure A-11: Maintenance History for Boiler Feed Pump Motor #4-1 at El Centro Steam Plant.

**BOILER FEED PUMP MOTOR #4-2**

Allis Chalmers, 800 hp, 3560 rpm  
2300 V, 172 Amps, Serial # 1-5115-14468-1-2  
Ground Floor

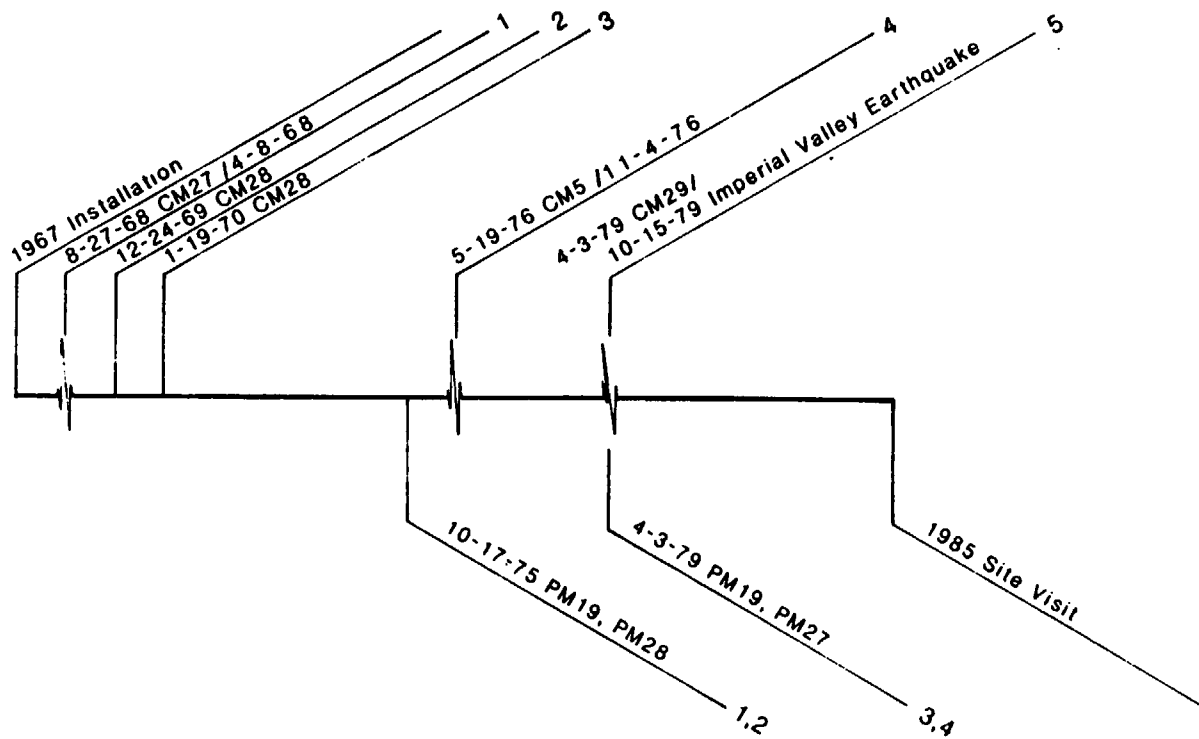


Figure A-12: Maintenance History for Boiler Feed Pump Motor #4-2 at El Centro Steam Plant.



**BOILER FEED PUMP MOTOR #4-3**

Allis Chalmers, 800 hp, 3560 rpm  
 2300 V, 172 Amps, Serial # 1-5115-14468-1-3  
 Ground Floor

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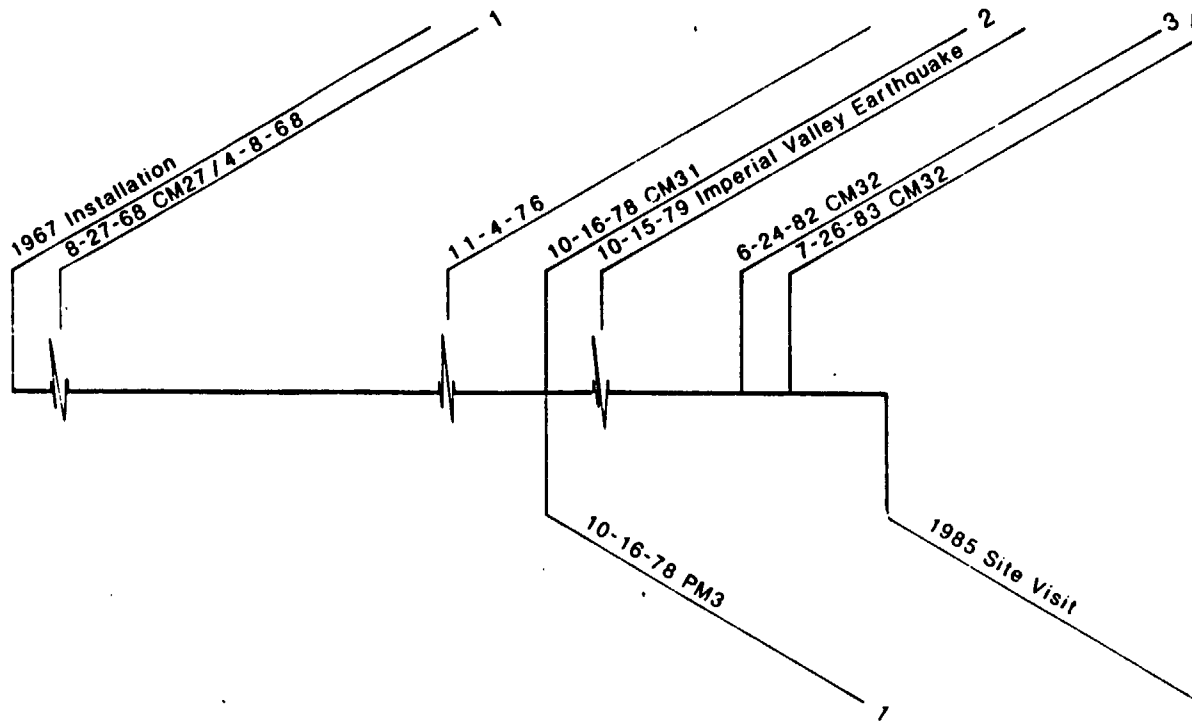


Figure A-13: Maintenance History for Boiler Feed Pump Motor #4-3 at El Centro Steam Plant.

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CIRCULATING WATER PUMP MOTOR #4-1  
Allis Chalmers, 450 hp, 709 rpm  
2300 V, 112 Amps  
Near Cooling Towers in Plant Yard

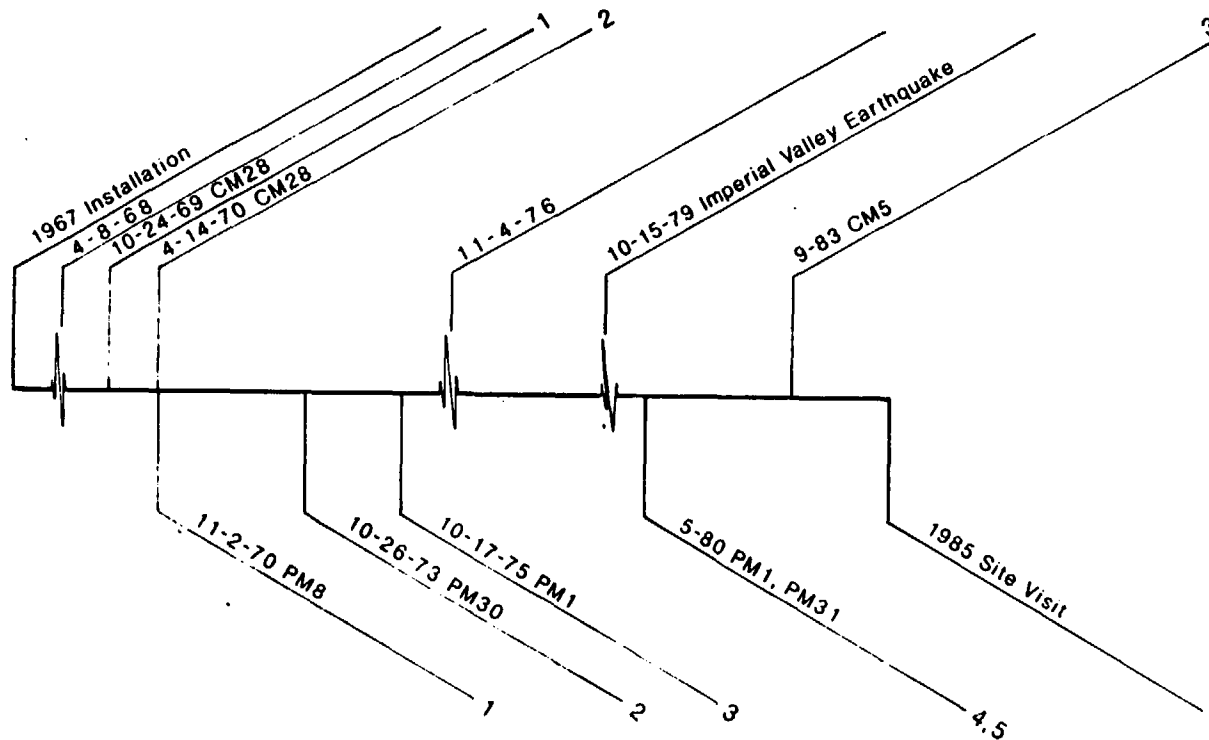
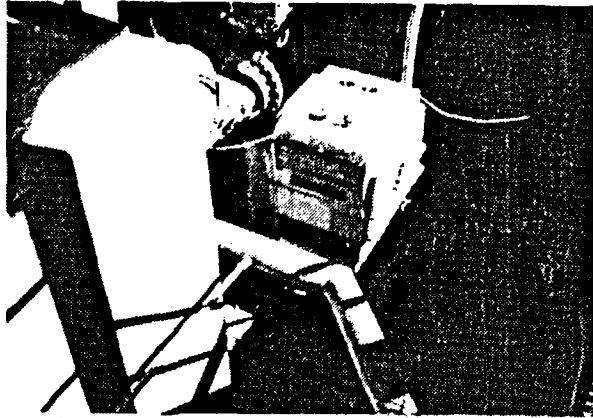


Figure A-14: Maintenance History for Circulating Water Pump Motor #4-1 at El Centro Steam Plant.



CIRCULATING WATER PUMP MOTOR #4-2

Allis Chalmers, 450 hp, 709 rpm  
 2300 V, 112 Amps, Serial # 38193-1  
 Near Cooling Tower in Plant Yard

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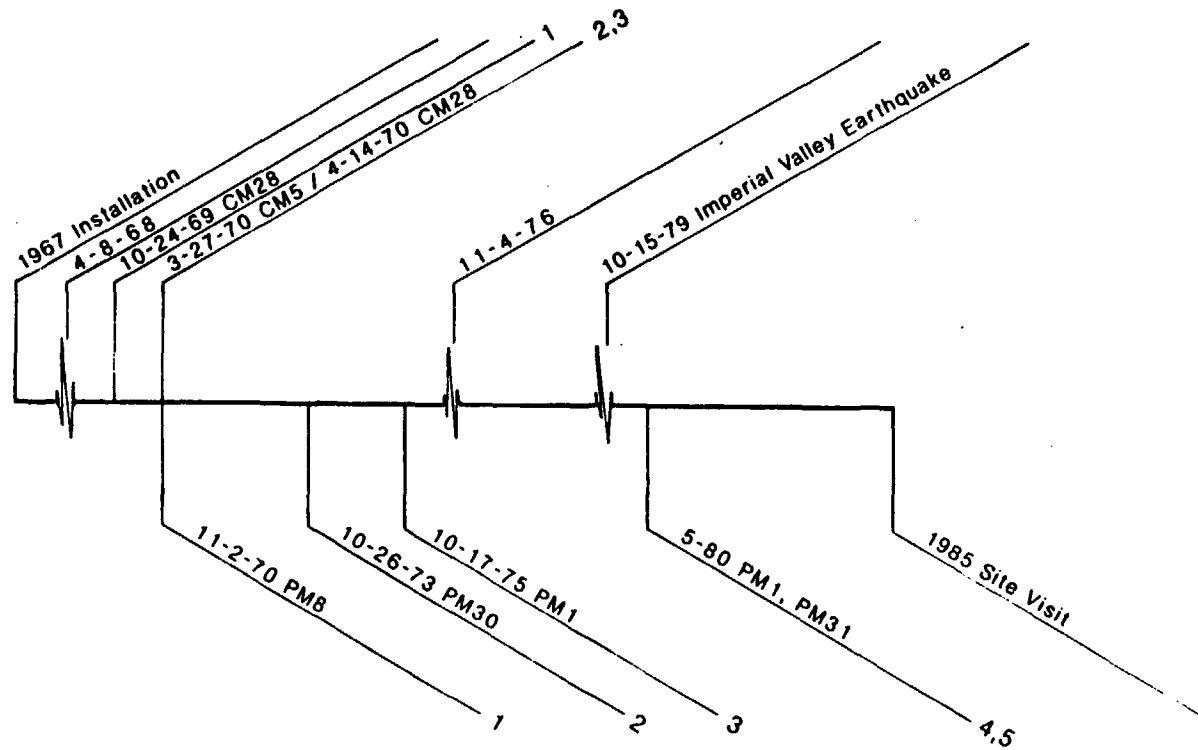
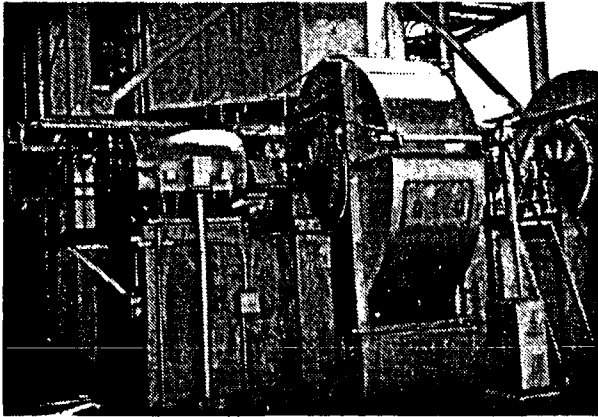


Figure A-15: Maintenance History for Circulating Water Pump Motor #4-2 at E1 Centro Steam Plant.



**FORCED DRAFT FAN MOTOR #4-1**

Allis Chalmers, 600 hp, 1180 rmp  
 230 V, 136 Amps, Serial #1-5115-14608-1-1  
 Plant Yard

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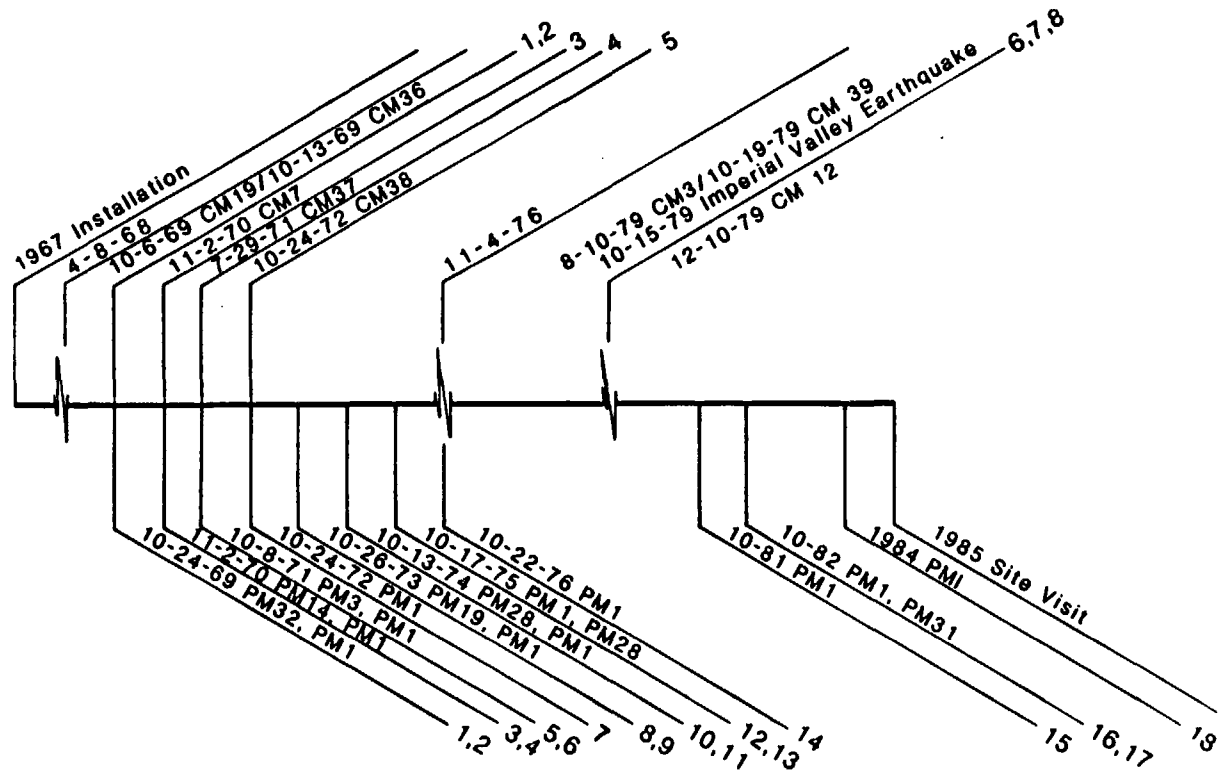
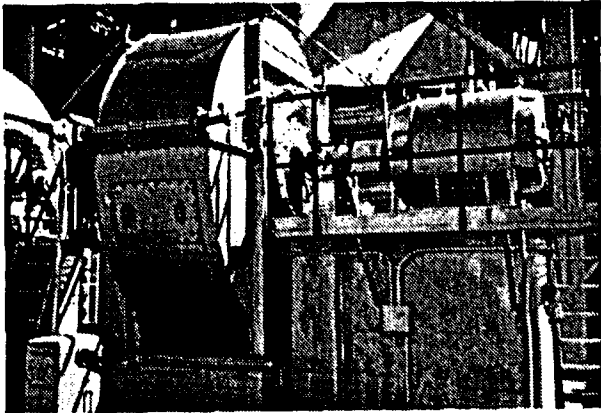


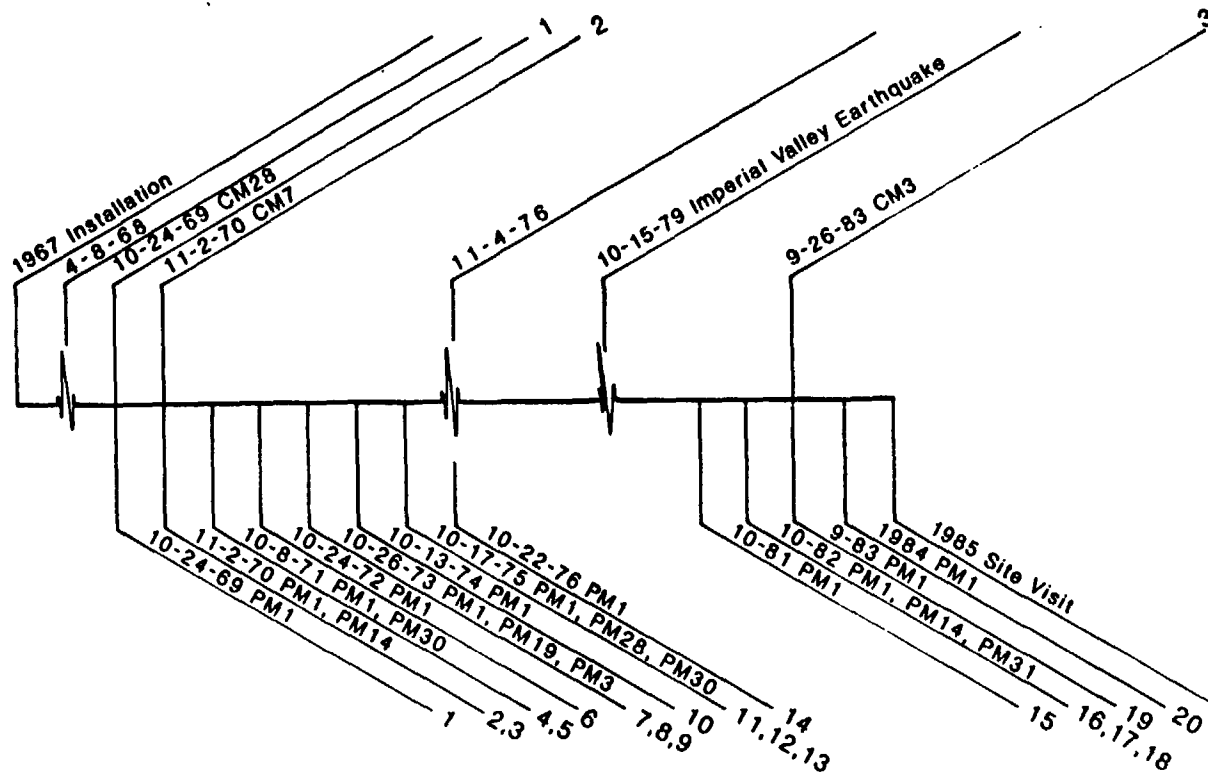
Figure A-16: Maintenance History for Forced Draft Fan Motor #4-1 at El Centro Steam Plant.



**FORCED DRAFT FAN MOTOR #4-2**

Allis Chalmers, 600 hp, 1180 rpm  
 2300 V, 136 Amps, Serial #1-5115-14608-1-2  
 Plant Yard

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**Figure A-17: Maintenance History for Forced Draft Fan Motor #4-2 at El Centro Steam Plant.**



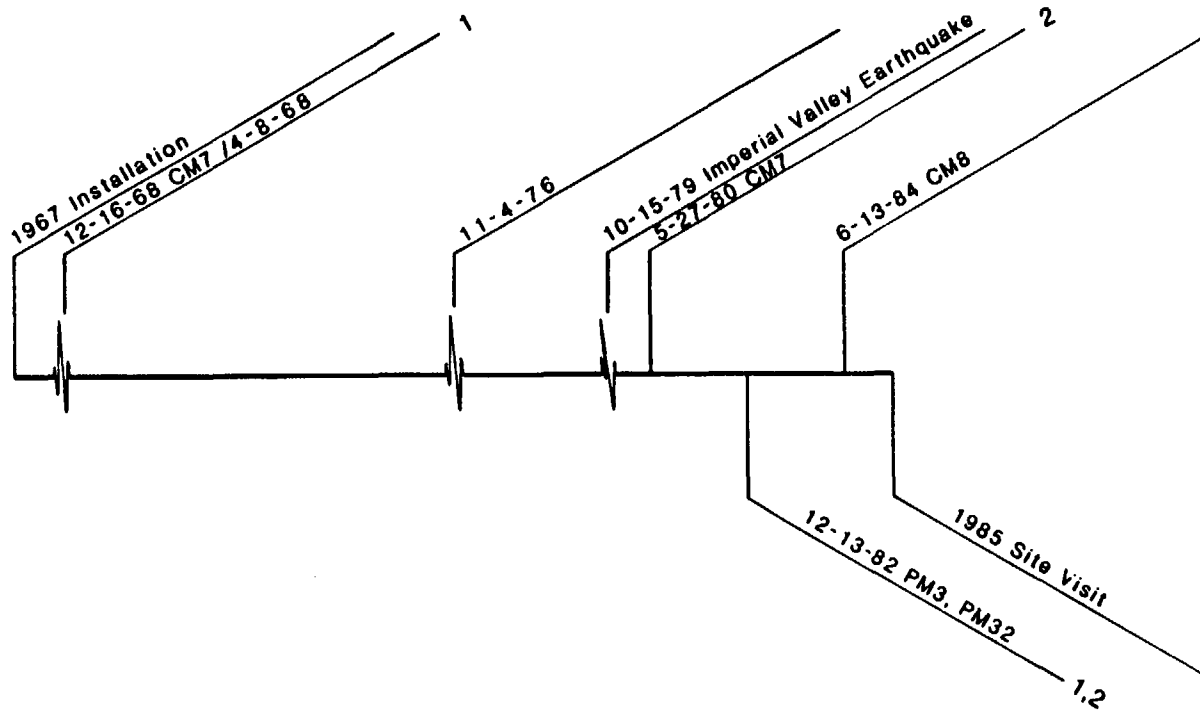
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SERVICE WATER PUMP MOTOR #4-1

GE, 50 hp, 1765 rpm

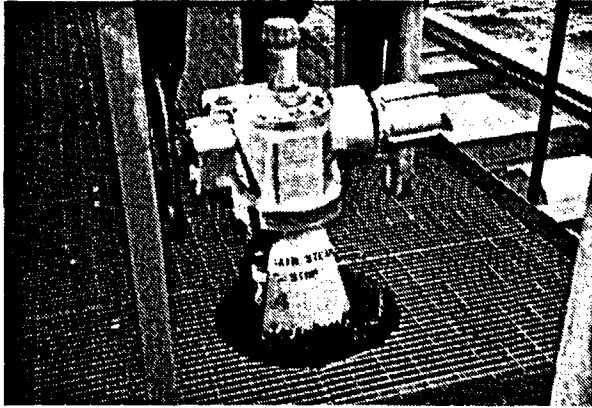
460 V

Near Cooling Tower in Plant Yard



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Figure A-18: Maintenance History for Service Water Pump Motor #4-1 at El Centro Steam Plant.



UNIT 4 MAIN STEAM STOP MOV

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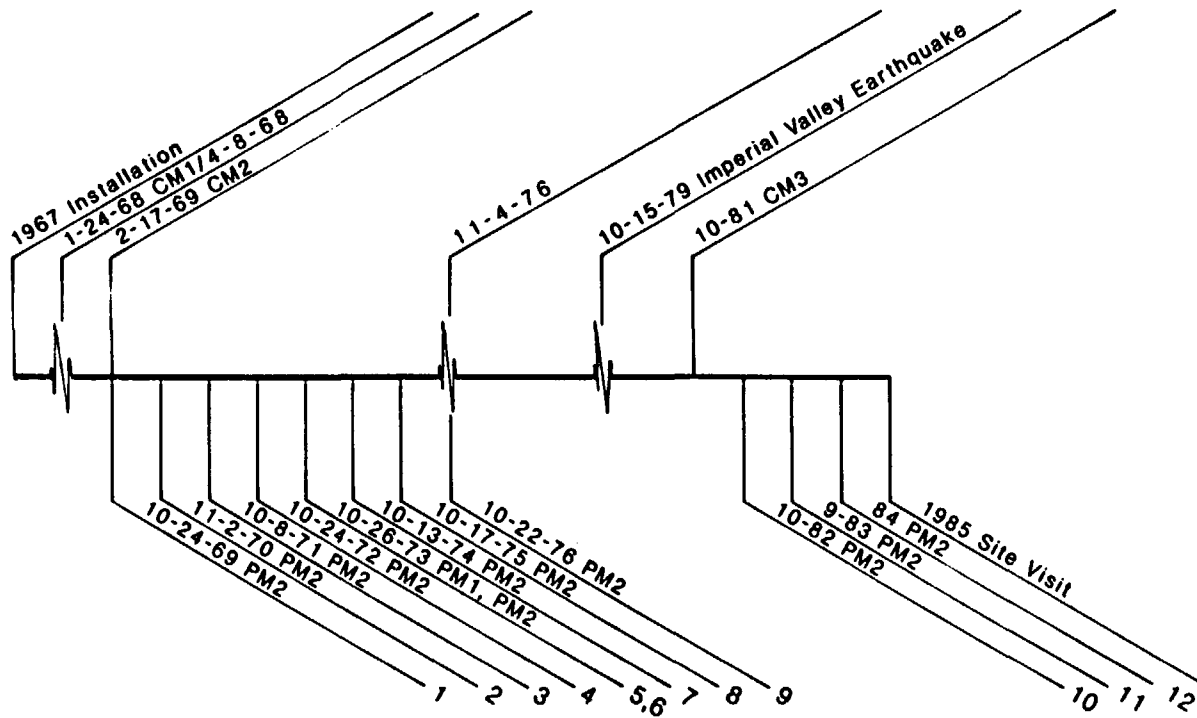


Figure A-19: Maintenance History for the Unit 4 Main Steam Stop MOV at El Centro Steam Plant.

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CIRCULATING WATER DISCHARGE MOV #4-1  
Limitorque

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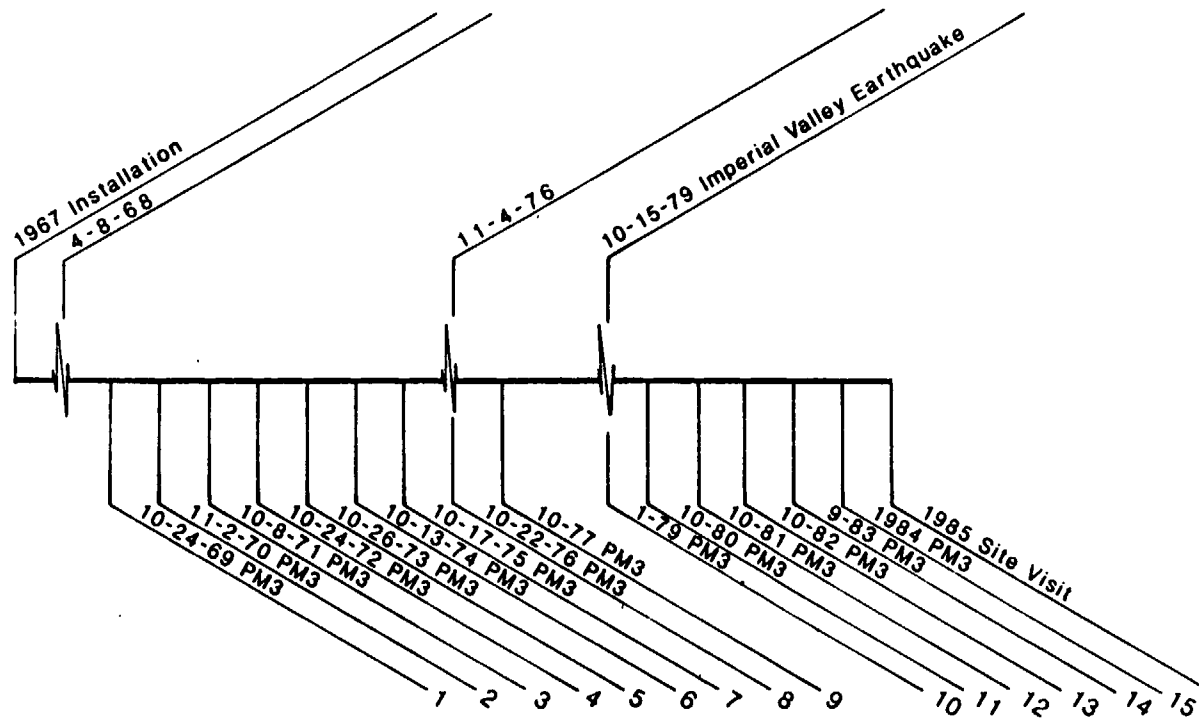
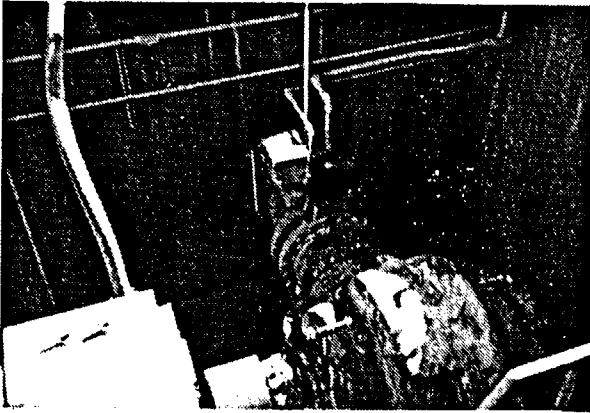


Figure A-20: Maintenance History for Circulating Water Discharge MOV #4-1 at El Centro Steam Plant.



**CIRCULATING WATER DISCHARGE MOV #4-2**

Limitorque

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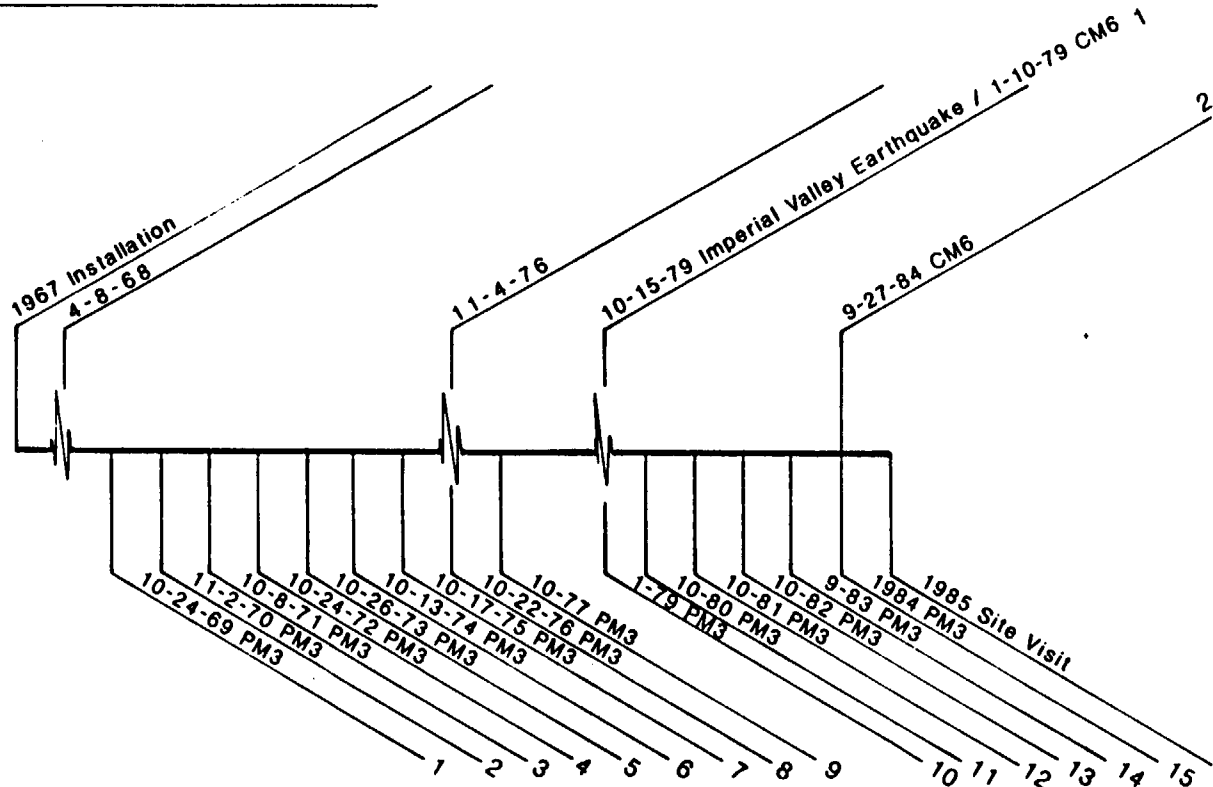


Figure A-21: Maintenance History for Circulating Water Discharge MOV #4-2 at El Centro Steam Plant.

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2400 V BOILER FEED PUMP #4-1 CIRCUIT BREAKER

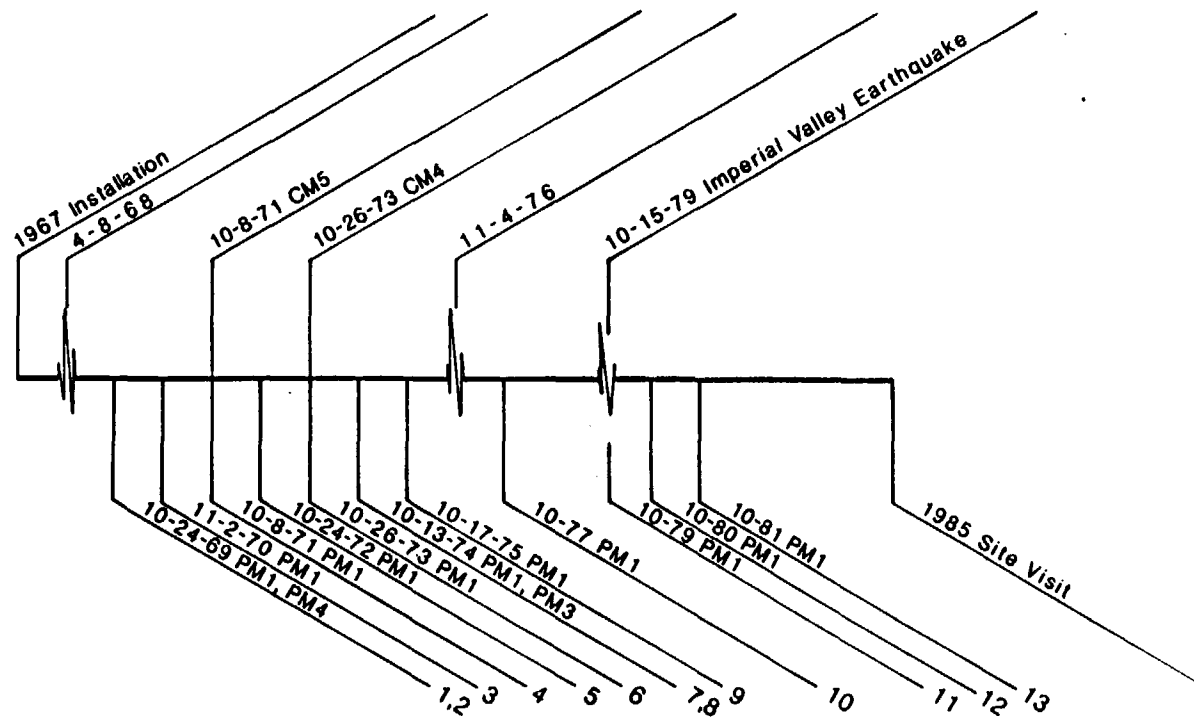


Figure A-22: Maintenance History for Boiler Feed Pump #4-1 Circuit Breaker at El Centro Steam Plant.

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SERVICE WATER RETURN PUMP #4-2 CIRCUIT BREAKER

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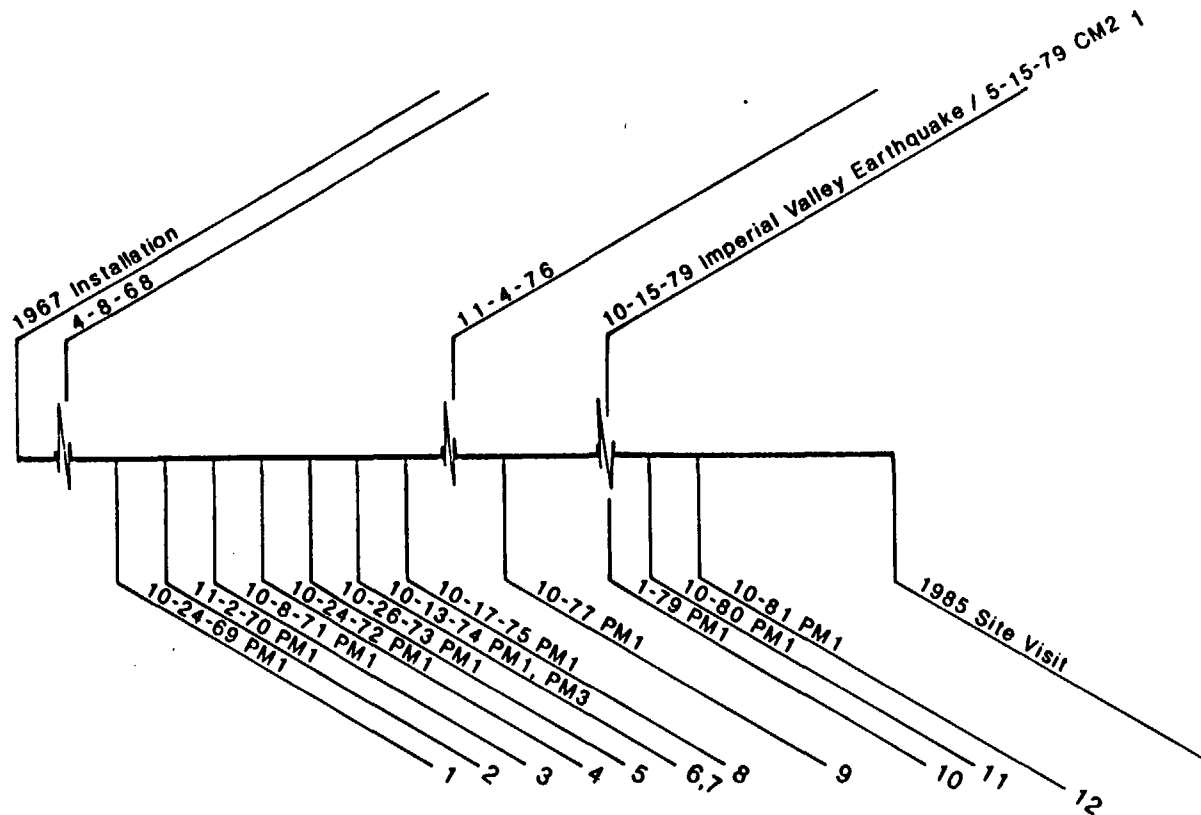
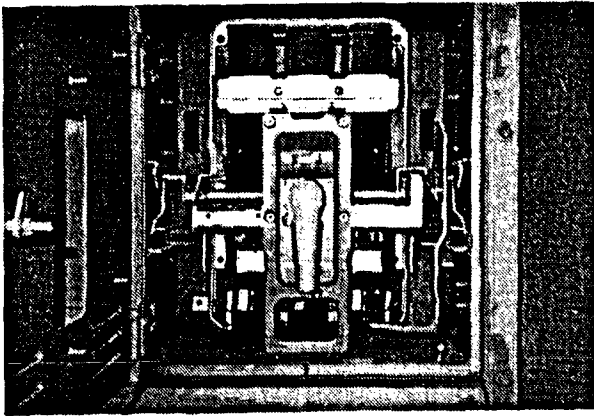


Figure A-23: Maintenance History for Service Water Return Pump #4-2 Circuit Breaker at El Centro Steam Plant.



FUEL OIL TRANSFER PUMP #4-1 CIRCUIT BREAKER  
 GE, #204A5589-304AD, Type AK-2-15-2  
 600 V, 60 cycles

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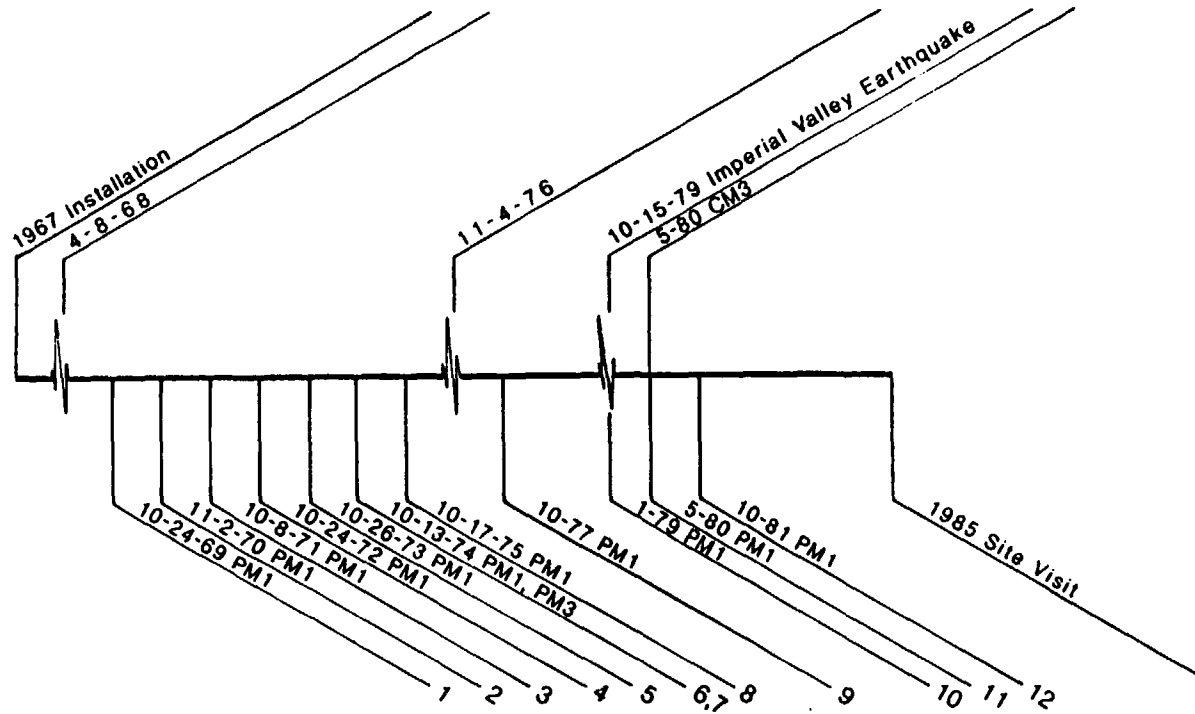
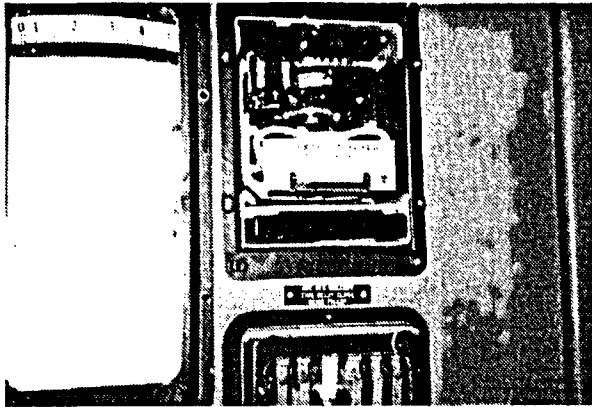
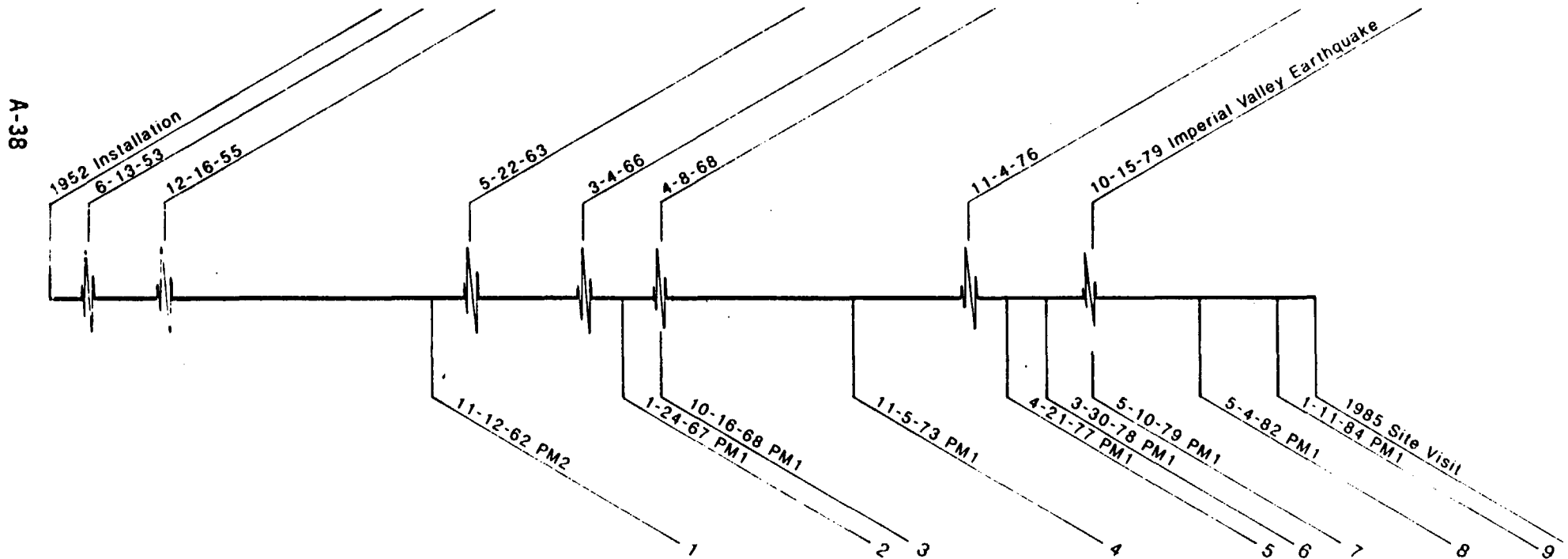


Figure A-24: Maintenance History for Fuel Oil Transfer Pump #4-1 at El Centro Steam Plant.



**AUX. GEN. BREAKER QUICK PICKUP RELAY**  
**Unit 4 GE Voltage Relay Model #121AV51A7A**



**Figure A-25: Maintenance History for the Auxiliary Generator Quick Pickup Relay in Unit 4 at El Centro Steam Plant.**



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#4-1 BOILER FEED PUMP BEARING OIL PRESSURE RELAY

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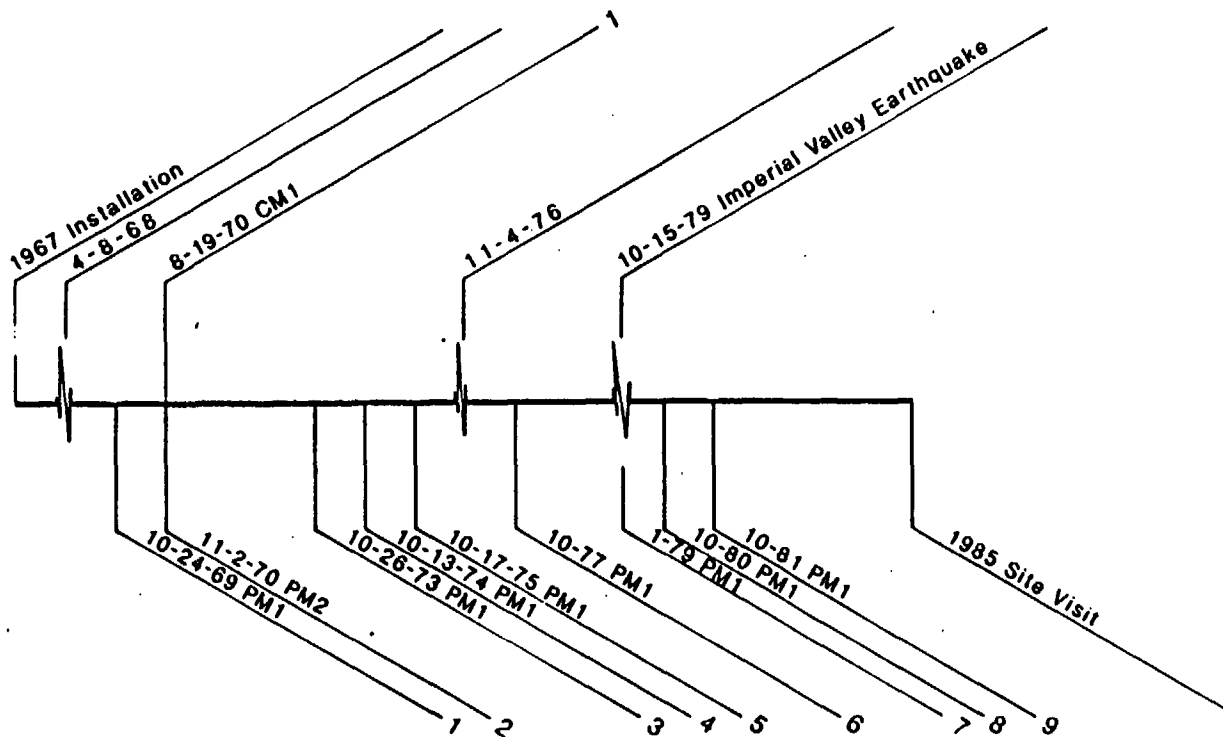
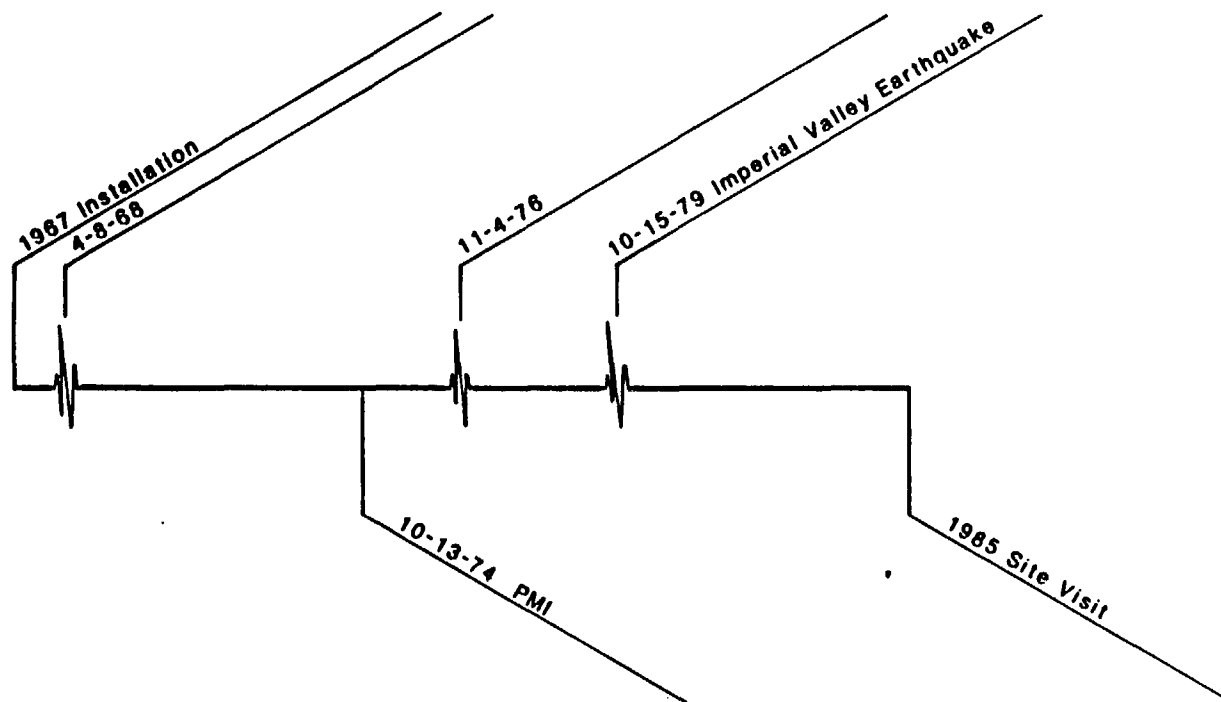


Figure A-26: Maintenance History for the #4-1 Boiler Feed Pump Bearing Oil Pressure Relay at El Centro Steam Plant.

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Unit 4 MCC



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Figure A-27: Maintenance History for a Typical MCC at E1 Centro Steam Plant.

**APPENDIX B**

UNIT No. 4 BOILER FEED PUMPS

|                    |  |
|--------------------|--|
| 8-27-68            | No. 4-1 Pump Motor: Cooling fan had come completely off the rotor. Pacific Pumps dispatched Mr. Bob Oswalt of Arnhart Electric Co. in San Diego. Cut a new key way in the otbd. fan hub. The rotor was sent to Arnhart's San Diego shop for final repairs and ballancing. Loc-Tite was used in seating the fans. |
|                    | No. 4-2 Pump Motor: Mr. Oswalt sent the rotor to a local machine shop for reballancing and repairs.  |
|                    | No. 4-3 Pump Motor: Rotor was sent to Arnhart's shop for ballancing and repairs.   |
|                    | All pump motors were reassembled and checked out by Mr. Oswalt.  |
| 9-6-68             | No. 4-1 BFP Coupling: Repacked with Marfak "O".  |
| 4-15-69            | Cleaned the lube oil coolers and renewed the magnesium plugs on all three pumps.   |
| 6-16-69            | No. 4-3 Pump: Remounted the mercoid panel. Vibration had worn the switch linkage excessively.  |
| 12-24-69           | No. 4 Boiler Feed Pumps: Installed new oil level sight glasses on the motor bearings of all three pumps.   |
| 1-19-70            | No. 4-2 Pump Motor: Installed new sight glasses on the motor bearings.   |
| 4-1-70             | No. 4-1 & 4-2 Pumps: Relocated the Mercoid switch mountings on each pump. The switches were damaged by vibration.  |
| 4-7-70             | No. 4-3 Pump: Installed a rewound RCV controller solenoid coil.  |
| 8-19-70            | No. 4-1 & 4-3: Installed zinc plugs and cleaned lube oil coolers. Changed bearing oil pressure relay on No. 4-1.   |
| 1-20-71            | No. 4-1: Removed motor end bells to locate possible rub. Fan on outboard had moved $\frac{1}{8}$ " toward shaft end, noted outboard lower half had wiped some. Clearances ranged from .006" to .010", rotor removed. Fan set screws not tight, fan removed.  |
|                    | Cleaned motor windings, drilled one more set screw hole, mounted O. B. fan using Loc-Tite. Installed new O. B. bearing.  |
| 9-19-72            | Renewed zinc anodes in all of the lube oil coolers.  |
| <del>9-20-72</del> | <del>Installed bearing to eliminate vibration in compressor head and after cooler.</del>   |
| 10-10-72           | Replaced coil in 4-3 boiler feed pump discharge valve air supply.  |
| 12-4-73            | No. 4-1 BFP: Motor windings free of oil and grime. Bearings and seals OK. Seal, felt, out of place inbd. brg. Reassembled.   |
| 12-7-73            | Completed checking all BFP motors and all in good condition.   |
| 12-10-73           | No. 4-2 BFP: Installed new outboard pump seal. THRUST CLEARANCE = 0.026" BEARING CLEARANCE = 0.004"  |
| 12-12-73           | No. 4-2 BFP: Renewed pump end plate gasket (0.016") with 0.006" gasket. Thrust clearance from 0.026" to 0.0161".   |
|                    | No. 4-1 BFP: Replaced otbd pump seal. Thrust = 0.013". Otbd bearing inbd. = 2.379", otbd. = 2.379"   |
|                    | Shaft inbd. = 2.374", otbd. = 2.3745"  |
|                    | Clearances = 0.005" 0.0045"  |
| 12-31-73           | No. 4-1 BFP: Installed new Inbd. pump seal.  |
| 7-5-74             | No. 4-2 BFP: Cleaned lube oil cooler.  |

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Figure B-1: Sample Maintenance Card Kept on Larger (i.e., Greater than 100 hp) Motors at El Centro Steam Plant.

Thursday, Oct 11, 1979

#1 Exciter:

Replaced the zinc plugs in #1 exciter air cooler.

#2 Boiler:

Rebuilt the air motor on #2 boiler B-RH sootblower. Installed new bearings.

#4 Boiler:

Retorqued the bolts on #4 boiler 1500-300 PSI reducing valve.

Misc:

Continued with the insulating of the fuel oil transfer line at #6 storage tank.

Repaired and/or checked all of the axial face wash mechanisms in the plant and yard.

Checked out the freon evaporators in the control rooms for leaks. Repairing leaks as found.

Cleaned and recharged the burner cleaner wagon.

Removed, cleaned and rebolted the roadway plates on the north end of the Tin Bldg.

Began renter's weekly work.

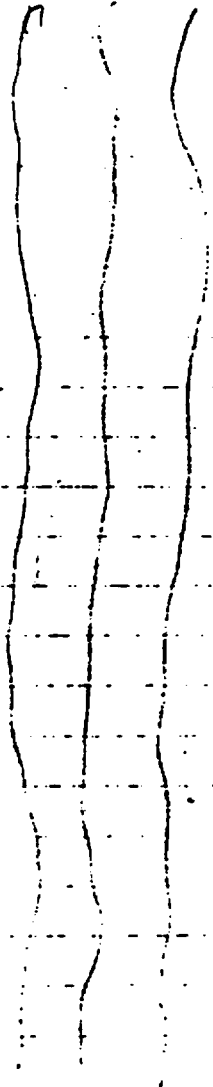
Figure B-2: Sample Operating Log Kept Daily by the Plant Supervisor at El Centro Steam Plant.

Unit #2  
Pumphouse

Remove from cubicle  
Remove & inspect  
arc chutrs  
Inspect main contact  
Inspect dash pots  
Inspect control  
contacts  
Clean and inspect  
entire mechanism  
Inspect throwover  
switch  
Check manual operat  
Check electrical  
operation

|                              | Remove from cubicle | Remove & inspect arc chutrs | Inspect main contact | Inspect dash pots | Inspect control contacts | Clean and inspect entire mechanism | Inspect throwover switch | Check manual operat | Check electrical operation |
|------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| 2-12                         |                     |                             |                      |                   |                          |                                    |                          |                     |                            |
| 2-13                         |                     |                             |                      |                   |                          |                                    |                          |                     |                            |
| Misc. Chem. Motor Feeders    |                     |                             |                      |                   |                          |                                    |                          |                     |                            |
| Welding Cir.                 |                     |                             |                      |                   |                          |                                    |                          |                     |                            |
| Backwash Pump                |                     |                             |                      |                   |                          |                                    |                          |                     |                            |
| Cooling Tower Fan 2-3        |                     |                             |                      |                   |                          |                                    |                          |                     |                            |
| Evap Feed Pump               |                     |                             |                      |                   |                          |                                    |                          |                     |                            |
| Cooling Tower Fan 2-1        |                     |                             |                      |                   |                          |                                    |                          |                     |                            |
| Cooling Tower Fan 2-4        |                     |                             |                      |                   |                          |                                    |                          |                     |                            |
| Evap Feed Pump 2-2           |                     |                             |                      |                   |                          |                                    |                          |                     |                            |
| Cooling Tower Fan 2-2        |                     |                             |                      |                   |                          |                                    |                          |                     |                            |
| Cooling Tower Fan 2-5        |                     |                             |                      |                   |                          |                                    |                          |                     |                            |
| Sludge Pump 2-1              |                     |                             |                      |                   |                          |                                    |                          |                     |                            |
| Gen Drain Pump 2-1           |                     |                             |                      |                   |                          |                                    |                          |                     |                            |
| Cooling Tower Fan 2-6        |                     |                             |                      |                   |                          |                                    |                          |                     |                            |
| Cir Wtr Dschg Pump Valve 2-1 |                     |                             |                      |                   |                          |                                    |                          |                     |                            |
| Cir Wtr Dschg Pump Valve 2-2 |                     |                             |                      |                   |                          |                                    |                          |                     |                            |
| Service Water Pump 2-1       |                     |                             |                      |                   |                          |                                    |                          |                     |                            |
| Raw Water 2-2                |                     |                             |                      |                   |                          |                                    |                          |                     |                            |
| Raw Water 2-1                |                     |                             |                      |                   |                          |                                    |                          |                     |                            |
| Clorinator                   |                     |                             |                      |                   |                          |                                    |                          |                     |                            |
| Transformer 2-NT3            |                     |                             |                      |                   |                          |                                    |                          |                     |                            |
| Transformer 2-ET4            |                     |                             |                      |                   |                          |                                    |                          |                     |                            |

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Figure B-3: Sample Circuit Breaker Maintenance Record at El Centro Steam Plant.

Unit #2  
480 Volt Section

|                                 | Remove from cubicle | Remove & Inspect arc chutes | Inspect main contact | Inspect dash pots | Inspect control circuit | Clean and inspect entire mechanism | Inspect throwover switch | Check manual operation | Electrical operation | Date    |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|---------|
| Non-Ess Pump Sta Bus            |                     |                             |                      |                   |                         |                                    |                          |                        |                      | 1-12-84 |
| Turbine Oil Purifier            |                     |                             |                      |                   |                         |                                    |                          |                        |                      | 1-16-84 |
| Powerhouse Drainage Pump 2-1    |                     |                             |                      |                   |                         |                                    |                          |                        |                      | 1-16-84 |
| Control Air Compressor 2-1      |                     |                             |                      |                   |                         |                                    |                          |                        |                      |         |
| Non-Ess Transformer 2NT-3 (2-7) |                     |                             |                      |                   |                         |                                    |                          |                        |                      | 1-16-84 |
| Bus Tie 2 Ens                   |                     |                             |                      |                   |                         |                                    |                          |                        |                      | 1-16-84 |
| Ess Pump Sta Feeder 2-8         |                     |                             |                      |                   |                         |                                    |                          |                        |                      | 1-12-84 |
| Boiler Stop Valve 2-1           |                     |                             |                      |                   |                         |                                    |                          |                        |                      | 1-12-84 |
| Control Air Comp 2-2            |                     |                             |                      |                   |                         |                                    |                          |                        |                      | 1-16-84 |
| Fuel Oil Diff Pump 2-1          |                     |                             |                      |                   |                         |                                    |                          |                        |                      | 1-12-84 |
| Air Heater 2-1                  |                     |                             |                      |                   |                         |                                    |                          |                        |                      | 1-12-84 |
| Ess Trans 2-ET4                 |                     |                             |                      |                   |                         |                                    |                          |                        |                      | 1-12-84 |
| Turning Gear 2-1                |                     |                             |                      |                   |                         |                                    |                          |                        |                      | 1-16-84 |
| Fuel Oil Pump 2-1               |                     |                             |                      |                   |                         |                                    |                          |                        |                      | 1-12-84 |
| Fuel Oil Pump 2-2               |                     |                             |                      |                   |                         |                                    |                          |                        |                      | 1-12-84 |
| Lighting Trans 2-LT-2           |                     |                             |                      |                   |                         |                                    |                          |                        |                      | 1-16-84 |
| Condensate Pump 2-1             |                     |                             |                      |                   |                         |                                    |                          |                        |                      | 1-12-84 |
| Condensate Pump 2-2             |                     |                             |                      |                   |                         |                                    |                          |                        |                      | 1-12-84 |

Figure B-4: Sample Circuit Breaker Maintenance Record at El Centro Steam Plant.

| Circuit #2<br>2400 volt section | Removed from cubic<br>Clean and Inspect<br>Cubicle | Remove & Inspect<br>arc chutes | Inspect main and<br>arcing contacts | Remove Shield,<br>clean & inspect<br>operating mechanism | Operate manually | Operate electrical<br>Counter | Date    |
|---------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|------------------|-------------------------------|---------|
| Circulating Water Pump 2-2      |  |                                |                                     |  |                  | 1082                          | 1-11-24 |
| Aux. Power Trans. Bank 2-T2     |  |                                |                                     |  |                  | 304                           | "       |
| Step-Down Trans. Bk 2NT3        |  |                                |                                     |  |                  | 503                           | "       |
| Bus Tie Bkr                     |  |                                |                                     |  |                  | 307                           | "       |
| ID Fan #2-1                     |  |                                |                                     |  |                  | 740                           | "       |
| FD Fan #2-1                     |  |                                |                                     |  |                  | 434                           | "       |
| Step Down Trans. Bk 2ET4        |  |                                |                                     |  |                  | 398                           | "       |
| Boiler Feed Pump 2-1            |  |                                |                                     |  |                  | 1568                          | "       |
| Boiler Feed Pump 2-2            |  |                                |                                     |  |                  | 334                           | "       |
| Cir. Water Pump 2-1             |  |                                |                                     |  |                  | 530                           | "       |
| Aux. Gen. 24KV - 2500KVA        |  |                                |                                     |  |                  | 296                           | "       |
|                                 |  |                                |                                     |  |                  |                               | "       |
|                                 |  |                                |                                     |  |                  |                               | "       |
|                                 |  |                                |                                     |  |                  |                               | "       |
| 3.8 section                     |  |                                |                                     |  |                  | NO                            | "       |
| Main Gen. Unit #2               |  |                                |                                     |  |                  | 298                           | "       |

Figure B-5: Sample Circuit Breaker Maintenance Record at El Centro Steam Plant.



## ELECTRICAL MAINTENANCE

1. A few days prior to shutdown, the Electrical Crew should move down and set up 37.5-kva transformer for bolt heaters.
2. Remove lagging, clean, vacuum and inspect the two dry-type 2400 to 480-volt station service transformers. Be sure to lubricate cooling fans.

REMARKS:

3. Vacuum, clean and make inspection of main unit voltage regulator. Check all contacts.

REMARKS:

4. Clean and inspect main field breaker and all contacts.

REMARKS:

5. Check relays and contacts on all controls on three speeds of boiler fans.

REMARKS:

6. Clean and inspect voltage regulator, field breaker and main breaker on auxiliary house generator after first obtaining clearance from Operator.

REMARKS:

Figure B-6: Sample Electrical Maintenance Check List at El Centro Steam Plant.

7. Make thorough inspection of brush rigging, collector rings, exciter and all related equipment. Clean and blow out all parts and repair as required. Use Turco-Solv solution around all electrical windings. Dress down exciter commutator and collector rings, if necessary, and renew brushes. Set brushes to proper tension.

REMARKS:

8. Test generator and transformer differential relays.

REMARKS:

9. Megger and record generator field and stator windings.

REMARKS:

|        | <u>Present</u> | <u>Previous</u> |
|--------|----------------|-----------------|
| Field  | _____          | _____           |
| Stator | _____          | _____           |

10. Drop all breakers (essential and non-essential) on 13,800, 2400 and 480-volt buses in powerhouse and in pump house, including bus tie breakers. Clean, inspect and check operation.

REMARKS:

Figure B-7: Sample Electrical Maintenance Check List at El Centro Steam Plant.

11. Clean insulators and bushings in substation, at the same time clean behind gear at pump houses.

REMARKS:

12. Clean and inspect motor-generator set on battery charger and stone commutator as necessary.

REMARKS:

13. Remove inspection plates and blow out large motors on boiler fans.

REMARKS:

14. Remove and check tubes in all amplifiers behind combustion and turbine boards.

REMARKS:

Figure B-8: Sample Electrical Maintenance Check List at El Centro Steam Plant.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

ELECTRICAL MAINTENANCE

Unit No. \_\_\_\_\_

Test: Breaker 4T1 COV. and Diff. Relays. (Dispatcher's area)

Remarks:

Test: 13.8 Generator Relays.

Remarks:

Test: 2.4 Relays and Alarms.

Remarks:

Test: 480 Relays.

Remarks:

Test: Indoor and Outdoor low voltage transfer relays.

Remarks:

Megger and record generator field and stator windings.

| Remarks: | <u>Hot</u> |                | <u>Cold</u> |                |
|----------|------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|
|          | _____      | <u>Present</u> | _____       | <u>Present</u> |
| Field    | _____      | _____          | _____       | _____          |
| Stator   | _____      | _____          | _____       | _____          |
| Pilot    | _____      | _____          | _____       | _____          |
| Main     | _____      | _____          | _____       | _____          |

Check: Diodes.

Remarks:

Check: Base Adjuster.

Remarks:

Clean: Generator Temperature Switches.

Remarks:

Figure B-9: Sample Electrical Maintenance Check List at El Centro Steam Plant.

No. \_\_\_ Boiler

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ 1-1

Inspect all drums and drum internals. Check the baffles and all line flanges. Check the cleanliness of the drum and note any deposits and their composition.

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No. \_\_\_ Boiler

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ 1- 2

Check the drum tubes, the furnace tubes, and the generating tubes. Note scale deposits or any other unusual conditions.

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No. \_\_\_ Boiler

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ 1-3

Collect a sample from the drum for analysis.

Figure B-10: Sample Maintenance Work Orders at El Centro Steam Plant.