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Technical Specifications 3.13.H.2 and 6.9.3.n

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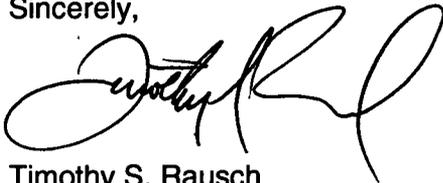
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Washington, DC 20555 - 0001Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station (OCNGS)
Facility Operating License No. DPR-16
NRC Docket No. 50-219Subject: Special Report for Inoperability of Turbine Building High Range
Radioactive Noble Gas Monitor

On November 12, 2008, at 6:14 pm, Operations reported the Turbine Building high range radioactive noble gas monitor inoperable due to failure to meet the acceptance criteria of surveillance procedure 621.4.044, Stack And Turbine Building RAGEMS HRM and Turbine Building LRM Source Checks. Station IR 00845556 was initiated to address this inoperability.

OCNGS Technical Specification (TS) 3.13.H, High-Range Radioactive Noble Gas Effluent Monitor, action statement 3.13.H.2 requires either restoring the inoperable channel to operable status within 7 days of the event or preparing and submitting a special report per administrative TS 6.9.3.n within 30 days following the event outlining the action taken, the cause of the inoperability, and the plans and schedule for restoring to operable condition.

If any further information or assistance is needed, please contact Cal Taylor at 609.971.4031.

Sincerely,

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Technical Specification 6.9.3.n Special Report for Inoperability of Turbine Building High Range Radioactive Noble Gas Monitor

Cause of Inoperability

The wrong size (physical dimensions) source was ordered and the source did not fit into the tube through which the source is inserted into the ratemeter for the operability surveillance. A new source was ordered and was due to arrive on site November 10, 2008, but has not yet arrived.

Action Taken

Technical Specification Limiting Condition of Operation 3.13.H, High-Range Radioactive Noble Gas Effluent Monitor was entered. The failed surveillance was recorded in the control room log. Station IR 00845556 has been initiated to address this inoperability. The Instrument and Control Maintenance Department has been notified to perform the surveillance to restore the Turbine Building High Range Monitor to operable status once the check source is available. Action Requests A2205608 and A2169521 have been initiated to track this required surveillance.

Plans and Schedule for Restoring Equipment to Operable Status

Surveillance 621.4.044, Stack And Turbine Building RAGEMS HRM and Turbine Building LRM Source Checks, will be re-performed before December 12, 2008, when the correct source arrives from the vendor. Currently, there are no indications that the Turbine Building High Range Radioactive Noble Gas Monitor is inoperable for any reason other than the failed surveillance due to the unavailability of the correct size of source.