

POWER AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
INDIAN POINT NO. 3 NUCLEAR POWER PLANT

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IP-NAP-2449

Mr. Boyce Grier, Director
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Region 1
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Dear Mr. Grier:

The attached Licensee Event Report LER 78-018/03L-0 is hereby submitted in accordance with the requirements of Technical Specification 6.9.1. This event is of the type defined in 6.9.1.8.(b) of the Technical Specification. Three copies of this letter and attachment are enclosed as required.

Very truly yours,

J. P. Bayne
Resident Manager

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ATTACHMENT 1

Docket No. 50-286
LER 78-018/03L-0

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The reactor was in a cold shutdown condition during a scheduled refueling outage.

On July 21, 1978, during performance of 3PC-R10 Refueling Water Storage Tank Level, the low level alarm (LC-920A) for the Refueling Water Storage Tank was found to be set at 94,312 gallons. This value was outside the range of 98,100 gallons to 100,850 gallons specified by Technical Specifications, Section 3.3.A.3.K.

This event is of the type that would be reported per technical specification, section 6.9.1.8b were the plant above 350°.

The alarm was subsequently reset to within its specified limit. The redundant low level alarm was within the allowable limit.

Since the plant was in a cold shutdown condition, this alarm was not required to be operable at this time.

The apparent cause of this event was due to instrument drift.