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**SHEARON HARRIS NUCLEAR POWER PLANT, UNIT 1  
DOCKET NO. 50-400/RENEWED LICENSE NO. NPF-63  
LICENSEE EVENT REPORT 2010-002-00**

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The enclosed Licensee Event Report (LER) 2010-002-00 is submitted in accordance with 10 CFR 50.73, paragraph (a)(2)(iv)(A), an event or condition that resulted in manual actuation of the Reactor Protection System. This report describes an event in which an oil leak from the Hydrogen Seal Oil System required a manual reactor trip. In accordance with 10 CFR 50.73(a) requirements, this LER is submitted within 60 days following the event.

This document contains no Regulatory Commitments.

Please refer any questions regarding this submittal to Mr. Dave Corlett, Supervisor - Licensing/Regulatory Programs, at (919) 362-3137.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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**4. TITLE**  
Manual Actuation of the Reactor Protection System due to Hydrogen Seal Oil Leak

5. EVENT DATE			6. LER NUMBER			7. REPORT DATE			8. OTHER FACILITIES INVOLVED	
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<b>9. OPERATING MODE</b>  1	<b>11. THIS REPORT IS SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF 10 CFR§:</b> (Check all that apply)			
<b>10. POWER LEVEL</b>  100	<input type="checkbox"/> 20.2201(b)	<input type="checkbox"/> 20.2203(a)(3)(i)	<input type="checkbox"/> 50.73(a)(2)(i)(C)	<input type="checkbox"/> 50.73(a)(2)(vii)
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**12. LICENSEE CONTACT FOR THIS LER**

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**13. COMPLETE ONE LINE FOR EACH COMPONENT FAILURE DESCRIBED IN THIS REPORT**

CAUSE	SYSTEM	COMPONENT	MANU-FACTURER	REPORTABLE TO EPIX	CAUSE	SYSTEM	COMPONENT	MANU-FACTURER	REPORTABLE TO EPIX
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<b>14. SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT EXPECTED</b>				<b>15. EXPECTED SUBMISSION DATE</b>		
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**ABSTRACT (Limit to 1400 spaces, i.e., approximately 15 single-spaced typewritten lines)**

On November 15, 2009, at 100% power, the Harris plant experienced a significant oil leak from the Hydrogen Seal Oil system. A non-licensed operator notified the Main Control Room (MCR) that the handle rotated each shift by Operations on the Air Side Seal Oil self-cleaning strainer became disconnected during manual rotation after approximately 1/4 turn, resulting in the oil leak. Based on this report and due to receipt of a "Turbine Lube Oil Reservoir Low Level" alarm, a decision was made to initiate a unit shutdown. The unit was manually tripped at 22:42 by the Main Control Room Operators. The plant promptly attained normal operation no-load temperature and pressure. Following the reactor trip, the "B" steam generator Main Steam Isolation Valve (MSIV) failed to fully close on demand, but was closed due to field actions at 23:03.

The root cause of the Hydrogen Seal Oil leak was that for past maintenance performed on the Air Side Seal Oil strainer, the Graded Approach to Planning and Scheduling instructions and Decision Tree was too generic. When considering the level of planning detail, the work coordination management procedure, WCM-006 does not provide guidance on considering the vulnerabilities to the plant as a result of the work being performed on the component. As a result, the thrust collars that hold the filter handle in place were not installed during past maintenance which allowed the filter handle to eject.

Immediate corrective actions were to stabilize the plant, and secure the Turbine Seal Oil/Lube Oil systems to stop the leak. Aqueous foam was sprayed on the oil to prevent a fire hazard. The oil was cleaned up and the Air Side Seal Oil strainer replaced. Planned corrective actions to prevent recurrence are to revise and implement WCM-006 such that Level "A" work activities (Quality Critical) are classified based on Equipment Classification that could cause a plant transient or shutdown and define other criteria for Level "A" (Quality Critical).

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Energy Industry Identification System (EIIS) codes are identified in the text within brackets [ ].

I. DESCRIPTION OF EVENT

There were no structures, systems, or components that were inoperable at the start of the event which could have contributed to the event. On November 15, 2009, at 100% power, the Harris plant experienced a significant oil leak from the Hydrogen Seal Oil system [TI]. A non-licensed operator notified the Main Control Room (MCR) that the handle rotated each shift by Operations on the Air Side Seal Oil self-cleaning strainer became disconnected during manual rotation after approximately 1/4 turn, resulting in the oil leak. Based on this report and due to receipt of a "Turbine Lube Oil Reservoir Low Level" alarm, a decision was made to initiate a unit shutdown. The unit was manually tripped at 22:42 by the Main Control Room Operators. The plant promptly attained normal operation no-load temperature and pressure. Following the reactor trip, the "B" steam generator Main Steam Isolation Valve (MSIV) [SB] failed to fully close on demand, but was closed due to field actions at 23:03. The handle rotated each shift by Operations on the Air Side Seal Oil self-cleaning strainer [STR] became disconnected during manual rotation after approximately 1/4 turn, resulting in the oil leak. Aqueous foam was quickly sprayed on the oil to prevent a fire hazard. The loss of approximately 9,500 gallons of lube oil to the 261 ft elevation of the turbine building occurred with a small amount reaching the nearby gravel. No oil reached the Harris Lake. The oil was cleaned up and the Air Side Seal Oil strainer replaced. The Hydrogen Seal Oil/Lube Oil system was replenished and the unit was returned to service on November 20, 2010, at 2020.

II. CAUSE OF THE EVENT

The root cause of this failure was that during past maintenance on the Air Side Seal Oil strainer, the Graded Approach to Planning and Scheduling procedure (WCM-006) instructions and Decision Tree was too generic. When considering level of planning detail, WCM-006 does not provide guidance on considering the vulnerabilities to the plant as a result of the work being performed on the component. This resulted in maintenance being performed on a critical component without the use of vendor drawings to validate that all parts are installed as designed. Troubleshooting indicated that the thrust collars that hold the filter handle in place were not installed during past maintenance, allowing the filter handle to eject.

III. SAFETY SIGNIFICANCE

This event is being reported pursuant to 10 CFR 50.73(a)(2)(iv)(A), an event or condition that resulted in manual actuation of the Reactor Protection System. The actual consequences resulted in a manual reactor trip and spillage of large quantities of oil to the turbine building floor and some smaller amounts to the ground. No oil reached the Harris Lake. The manual reactor trip is bounded by the analysis in Chapter 15 of the Final Safety Analysis Report (FSAR). The operating staff performed the required actions for the trip and there were no adverse safety consequences.

Potential environmental consequences could have resulted if oil had reached the lake. Damage to plant equipment, and/or personal injury also could have occurred.

IV. CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

Immediate corrective actions were to stabilize the plant, and secure the Turbine Seal Oil/Lube Oil systems to stop the leak. Aqueous foam was sprayed on the oil to prevent a fire hazard. The oil was cleaned up and the Air Side Seal Oil strainer replaced. Planned corrective actions to prevent recurrence are to revise and implement WCM-006, Graded Approach to Planning and Scheduling such that Level "A" work activities (Quality Critical) are classified based on Equipment Classification that could cause a plant transient or shutdown and define other criteria for Level "A" (Quality Critical). Planning Level "A" is used for tasks that require additional rigor in preparation, oversight and implementation because the task can significantly impact plant operation or equipment.

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V. PREVIOUS SIMILAR EVENTS

A review of License Event Reports for the previous five years did not reveal any similar events at the Harris Plant.