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Mr. James G. Keppler, Director Regulatory Operations Regional Office U. S. Atomic Energy Commission 799 Roosevelt Road Glen Ellyn, Illinois 60137

> SUBJECT: Abnormal Occurrence No. DPR 50-331/74-48

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Dear Mr. Keppler:

In accordance with Appendix A to Operating License DPR-49, Technical Specifications and Bases for Duane Arnold Energy Center, please find enclosed a written report on the subject abnormal occurrence.

Very truly yours,

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Subject:

Abnormal Occurrence

Report Number:

A0 50-331/74-48

Report Date:

November 21, 1974

Occurrence Date:

November 12, 1974

Facility:

Duane Arnold Energy Center, Unit #1, Palo, Iowa

#### Identification of Occurrence

Pressure differential indicating switch settings (LPCI loop selection logic), reportable in accordance with Appendix A, Operating License DPR-49, Specifications 1.0.4.b and Table 3.2-B.

## Description of Occurrence

During the performance of Surveillance Test Procedure No. 42B017 - RHR A > B dp Across Riser Instrument Functional Test/Calibration (LPCI Loop Selection Logic), it was determined that Instrument Channels A, B and D were out-of-calibration with the following trip settings:

Channel A (PDIS 4641) + 1.55 psid Channel B (PDIS 4642) - 0.55 psid Channel D (PDIS 4644) Found in tripped condition.\*

\*Personnel performing the surveillance test did not determine the actual trip point during the test.

## Designation of Apparent Cause of Occurrence

The apparent cause of the out-of-calibration condition was continuous cycling of the pressure differential indicating switch. During normal reactor power operations, the differential pressure between the recirculation loops is continuously varying due to normal fluctuations in recirculation pump flows. The design of the pressure differential indicating switches apparently is not consistent with a continuous duty requirement.

A review of previous surveillance testing on the switches confirms a trend towards an out-of-calibration condition.

### Analysis of Occurrence

It has been determined that the occurrence did not present an unsafe plant condition. This conclusion is based on an analysis presented in Section 6.4 of Amendment 9 to the Duane Arnold Energy Center FSAR, dated November 1972.

#### Corrective Action

The subject pressure differential indicating switches were recalibrated and functionally tested.

A review is in progress to determine if a design change can be made to minimize the affect of repeated cycling of the pressure differential indicating switches. The results of the design review will be submitted in a supplementary report.

Pending completion of the design review and implementation of the resultant design change, if any, the frequency for performance of Surveillance Test No. 42B017 will be increased to bi-weekly.

#### Conclusion

The contents of this report including corrective actions were reviewed and approved by the DAEC Operations Committee on November 20, 1974. The Committee concluded that the health and safety of the public and plant personnel was not impaired.

G. G. Hunt Chief Engineer

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