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SUBJECT: Abnormal Occurrence No. DPR 50-331/74-43 FILE: A-118a

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,

G. G. Hunt Chief Engineer Duane Arnold Energy Center

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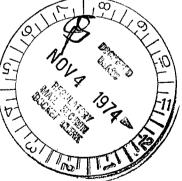
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IOWA ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY

General Office Cedar Rapids, Iowa

Subject:	Abnormal Occurrence								
Report Number:	AO 50-331/74-43								
Report Date:	October 29, 1974								
Occurrence Date:	October 19, 1974								
Facility:	Duane Arnold Energy Center, Unit #1, Palo, Iowa								

Identification of Occurrence

Intermediate Range Monitors (IRM) inoperable, reportable in accordance with Appendix A to Operating License DPR-49, 1.0.4.b and Table 3.1-1.

Conditions Prior to Occurrence

Routine Startup Operation in progress. Reactor critical with 10⁴ cps on source range monitors. Reactor pressure 200 psig. Reactor temperature 370°F.

Description of Occurrence

At 1825 hours, while commencing a reactor startup, the Reactor Operator observed that IRM instrument channels A and E (RPS Channel A) were inoperable and did not display the required overlap with the source range monitors. In accordance with the DAEC Technical Specifications, RPS Channel A was manually placed in the tripped condition. Reactor startup operations were suspended while the IRM's were repaired.

Designation of Apparent Cause of Occurrence

The apparent cause of the occurrence was improperly seated coaxial connectors on the input to the respective IRM drawers. The connectors apparently were not properly seated at the completion of previous surveillance testing. (Surveillance Test No. 41A004 - IRM Trip Functional Test and Calibration.)

Analysis of Occurrence

It has been determined that the occurrence did not present an unsafe plant condition. The reactor startup was immediately suspended when the Reactor Operator observed that there was no overlap between the source range and intermediate range monitor channels A and E. ÃO 50-331/74-43

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Corrective Action

The improperly seated coaxial connectors were tightened securely. Overlap between the intermediate range and source range monitors was verified before the startup was continued.

Surveillance Test Procedure No. 41A004 will be revised to require verification that the coaxial connectors are properly seated at the conclusion of the test.

Conclusion

This report, including corrective actions, was reviewed and approved by the DAEC Operations Committee on October 29, 1974. The Committee concluded that the occurrence did not present a hazard to the health and safety of the public.

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