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Mr. James G. Keppler, Director Office of Inspection and Enforcement U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission - Region III 799 Roosevelt Road Glen Ellyn, Illinois 60137

Subject: Licensee Event Report No. 77-43

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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 and Regulatory Guide 10.1, please find attached a copy of the subject Licensee Event Report. (Total of 3 copies transmitted)

Very truly yours,

Clery L. Hammond

Chief Engineer
Duane Arnold Energy Center

Docket 50-33.1 attachment

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DUANE ARNOLD ENERGY CENTER

Iowa Electric Light and Power Company LICENSEE EVENT REPORT-Supplemental Data

Licensee Event Report Date: 061077

Reportable Occurrence No: 77-43

DESCRIPTION OF OCCURRENCE

When the monthly operability test of 1G-31 standby diesel generator was conducted on May 12, 1977 the engine would not load to its full rated load of 2850 KW. The maximum attainable load was 2500 KW. The speed setting adjustment dial on the engine governor was found to be at a setting which prevented operation at full rated load. After adjustment the generator produced satisfactory performance.

CAUSE OF OCCURRENCE

The operability test conducted at the conclusion of the annual inspection did not contain a requirement for ensuring the speed setting adjustment dial was set to a value corresponding to rated RPM. The value the dial was set at prevented the engine from reaching full rated power while still allowing the electric governor to bring the engine to rated RPM. The procedure also only required loading the generator to 2500 KW which does not ensure the generator is capable of carrying the full rated load of 2850 KW.

ANALYSIS OF OCCURRENCE

This occurrence did not present an unsafe plant condition as the reactor was still shutdown from the just concluded refueling outage, the redundant 1G-21 standby diesel generator was operable and, although not capable of full rated load, the 1G-31 standby diesel generator was operable but at a slightly reduced capacity.

CORRECTIVE ACTION

The annual Diesel Engine Inspection Surveillance Test Procedure shall be modified such that the operability test portion will require ensuring the speed setting adjustment dial is set to the value corresponding to rated RPM and the load test be done at full rated load.

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