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> Duane Arnold Energy Center Subject:

Docket No: 50-331 Op. License DPR-49

Licensee Event Report #91-001

Gentlemen:

In accordance with 10 CFR 50.73 please find attached a copy of the subject Licensee Event Report.

Very truly yours,

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On January 6, 1991, with the plant operating at 95% power, a controlled reactor shutdown was initiated due to a steam leak in the heater bay. At 1107 operators rapidly reduced recirculation flow to minimum in preparation for insertion of a manual scram. The decision to manually scram was conservatively made to ensure heater bay temperatures would not challenge the Main Steam Line isolation setpoint of 200 degrees F. At 1113, with reactor power at approximately 60%, a manual scram was inserted.

The intermediate cause of this event was a break in a two inch extraction steam drain line just below the welded joint which attaches the drain line to a twelve inch extraction steam line. The cause for the break in the pipe was cyclic fatigue due to the relative movement of the two inch and twelve inch pipe during plant operation. The section of two inch pipe, where the break occurred, was replaced with a new pipe. The new pipe was constructed with an expansion loop to compensate for relative movement between the twelve and two inch pipes. This event had no effect on the safe operation of the plant. Following the scram the plant was quickly brought to a stable condition.

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I. DESCRIPTION OF EVENT:

On January 6, 1991, the plant was operating at 95% power. At 1014, a steam leak was discovered in the Turbine Building by Security and reported to Operations. Further investigation by Operations personnel confirmed a large leak in the heater bay. At this time a controlled reactor shutdown was initiated by reducing power with reactor recirculation flow. While power was being reduced via recirculation flow, heater bay temperatures were monitored. Between 1030 and 1100, temperatures had increased by approximately 20 degrees. At 1107 operators rapidly reduced recirculation flow to minimum in preparation for insertion of a manual scram (EIIS The decision to manually scram was conservatively made system code JM). to ensure heater bay temperatures would not challenge the Primary Containment Isolation System (PCIS) (EIIS system code JM) Group I (Main Steam Line) isolation setpoint of 200 degrees F. At 1113, with reactor power at approximately 60%, a manual scram was inserted. Shortly following the scram, a turbine trip occurred as expected, thus isolating the steam leak.

Following insertion of the scram, vessel level decreased, as expected, to less than 170 inches as a result of void reduction in the core. PCIS Group 2-5 isolations occurred as designed in response to level decreasing below 170 inches. Within approximately one minute level was restored above 170 inches. Throughout the event vessel level was maintained by the feedwater system between approximately 158 and 205 inches.

II. CAUSE OF EVENT

The intermediate cause of this event was a break in a two inch extraction steam (EIIS system code SE) drain line just below the welded joint which attaches the drain line to a twelve inch extraction steam line. The cause for the break in the pipe was cyclic fatigue due to the relative movement of the two inch and twelve inch pipe during plant operation.

III. ANALYSIS OF EVENT

This event had no effect on the safe operation of the plant. All automatic actions occurred as designed in response to the manually initiated scram. No Emergency Core Cooling Systems (ECCS) actuations occurred or were required. Following the scram the plant was quickly brought to a stable condition.

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IV. CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

The section of two inch pipe, where the break occurred, was replaced with a new pipe. The new pipe was constructed with an expansion loop to compensate for relative movement between the twelve and two inch pipes.

As an additional action, an informational packet on this event will be distributed to appropriate site personnel to heighten awareness of a cyclic fatigue mechanism.

V. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

A review of Licensee Event Reports since 1984 (when scrams became a reportable event) indicated no previous events, in which the plant was scrammed manually or automatically due to a steam leak. This event is being reported in accordance with 10 CFR 50.73 (a) (2) (iv).