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SUBJECT: LER 78-016/03X-1 on 780908: during normal operation, trip of essential MCC B33A supply breaker 52-304 resulted in operation in degraded mode. Caused by low setpoint on trip device & by loss of dash pot oil in trip device.

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January 29, 1979

Mr J G Keppler, Director
Office of Inspection & Enforcement
U S Nuclear Regulatory Commission
799 Roosevelt Road
Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Dear Mr Keppler:

MONTICELLO NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT
Docket No. 50-263 License No. DPR-22

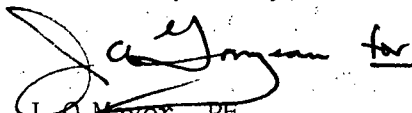
UPDATE REPORT

Trip of Essential Motor Control Center 133 A
Supply Breaker 52-304

The Licensee Event Report for this occurrence is reproduced on the back of this letter and continued on an attached sheet. Attached are three copies.

This event was reported on October 6, 1978 in accordance with Technical Specification 6.7.B.2.b. The cause related and corrective action items on the form have been updated to reflect results of further investigation of the event.

Yours very truly,



L. O. Mayer, PE
Manager of Nuclear Support Services

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27. CAUSE DESCRIPTION AND CORRECTIVE ACTIONS.

Low setpoint on trip device. Type of offsite personnel uncertain. Contributing cause was a loss of dash pot oil in the trip device (GE Type EC-2A). Parts were replaced in kind and setpoints adjusted.

The following actions are planned: (1) retrain appropriate personnel in setpoint adjustment, (2) check the setpoints on similar devices, (3) rebuild devices in safety related breakers and periodically replace devices in all breakers if oil leaks occur.