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DESCRIPTION: Ltr trans the following:

ENCLOSURES: Abnormal Occurrence A0-50-269/75-3 on 2-3-75 re failure of emergency hatch interlocks...

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PLANT NAME: Oconee Unit 1

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Re: Oconee Unit 1
Docket No. 50-269

Dear Mr. Moseley:

Pursuant to Sections 6.2 and 6.6.2 of the Oconee Nuclear Station
Technical Specifications, please find attached Unusual Event
Report UE-269/75-3.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "A. C. Thies".

A. C. Thies

ACT:vr
Attachment

cc: Mr. Angelo Giambusso

DUKE POWER COMPANY
OCONEE UNIT 1

Regulatory Board File

Report No.: UE-269/75-3

Report Date: March 12, 1975

Event Date: February 3, 1975

Facility: Oconee Unit 1, Seneca, South Carolina

Identification of Event: Failure of emergency hatch interlocks

Conditions Prior to Event: Unit in cold shutdown

Description of Event:

On February 3, 1975, entry to the Oconee Unit 1 Reactor Building was attempted through the emergency hatch while the personnel hatch leak rate test was in progress. In attempting the entry from outside containment, the operator turned the handwheel in the wrong direction and opened the inner door. In attempting to close the inner door, the interlock mechanism became out of alignment and resulted in the outer door opening at the same time the inner door was open. Attempts to close either door were unsuccessful.

Designation of Apparent Cause of Event:

The apparent cause of this event was the failure of the hatch interlock mechanism which permitted both doors of the hatch to be opened simultaneously.

Analysis of Event:

The unit was in cold shutdown at the time of this incident; hence, containment integrity was not required. This incident did not affect the health and safety of the public.

Corrective Action:

The interlocks were adjusted and the emergency hatch was returned to service. A preventative maintenance program is being developed, in conjunction with the designer of the hatch, which will provide periodic surveillance of the personnel and emergency hatches to prevent future recurrence of this incident. This program will be implemented by May 1, 1975. In addition, an investigation is in progress to determine the necessity for modifications to the personnel and emergency hatch interlock mechanism.

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