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 72 h. Preplanned alternate means of monitoring radiation  
 levels was implemented during time radiation monitors were  
 inoperable according to Tech Spec.

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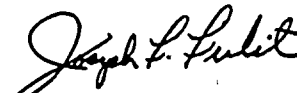
In accordance with Nine Mile Point Unit 2 Technical Specification Table 3.3.7.5-1.13, Action Statement 81-b, we are submitting the following Special Report concerning the inoperability of the Residual Heat Removal (RHR) Heat Exchanger Service Water Radiation Monitors.

**EVENT DESCRIPTION**

On March 8, 1991, at approximately 0330 hours with the reactor mode switch in the "RUN" (operational condition 1) position and at a power level of 100 percent rated thermal capacity, the RHR Heat Exchanger Service Water Radiation Monitors had been out of service for 72 hours. A preplanned alternate means of monitoring radiation levels was implemented at the time the radiation monitors were declared inoperable as required by Technical Specification Table 3.3.7.5-1.13, Action Statement 81-a.

The RHR Heat Exchanger Service Water Radiation Monitors (2SWP\*CAB23A and 2SWP\*CAB23B) were removed from service on March 5, 1991, in order to complete plant modification 90MX037. This modification was issued to replace the monitors' sample pumps, pump motors and flow meters, which were exhibiting high failure rates, with more reliable state of the art equipment. The radiation monitors modification has a scheduled duration of 15 days. Operational testing and acceptance is anticipated to be complete by March 20, 1991.

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