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SUBJECT: LER 87-010-00: on 870320, Limiting Condition for Operation
 3.0.3 entered to perform monthly degraded voltage channel
 functional tests on 4.16-kV engineered safeguard sys busses.
 Caused by inadequate specs. Change requested. W/870414 ltr.

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EXTERNAL:	EG&G GROH, M	5 5	H ST LOBBY WARD	1 1
	LPDR	2 2	NRC PDR	1 1
	NSIC HARRIS, J	1 1	NSIC MAYS, G	1 1
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TITLE (4)
Entry Into LC) 3.0.3 To Perform 4KV ESS Bus Degraded Voltage Relay Surv.

EVENT DATE (5)			LER NUMBER (6)			REPORT DATE (7)			OTHER FACILITIES INVOLVED (8)		
MONTH	DAY	YEAR	YEAR	SEQUENTIAL NUMBER	REVISION NUMBER	MONTH	DAY	YEAR	FACILITY NAMES		DOCKET NUMBER(S)
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OPERATING MODE (9) 1

POWER LEVEL (10) 1 | 0 | 0

THIS REPORT IS SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF 10 CFR 5: (Check one or more of the following) (11)

20.402(b)	20.408(a)	60.73(a)(2)(iv)	73.71(b)
20.408(a)(1)(D)	60.38(a)(1)	60.73(a)(2)(v)	73.71(a)
20.408(a)(1)(B)	60.38(a)(2)	60.73(a)(2)(vi)	OTHER (Specify in Abstract below and in Text, NRC Form 255A)
20.408(a)(1)(M)	60.73(a)(2)(i)	60.73(a)(2)(vii)(A)	
20.408(a)(1)(N)	60.73(a)(2)(ii)	60.73(a)(2)(vii)(B)	
20.408(a)(1)(V)	60.73(a)(2)(iii)	60.73(a)(2)(viii)	

LICENSEE CONTACT FOR THIS LER (12)

NAME: Craig L. Wallen - Compliance Evaluator

TELEPHONE NUMBER: 7 | 1 | 7 | 5 | 4 | 2 | - | 3 | 9 | 1 | 3

COMPLETE ONE LINE FOR EACH COMPONENT FAILURE DESCRIBED IN THIS REPORT (13)

CAUSE	SYSTEM	COMPONENT	MANUFACTURER	REPORTABLE TO NPDOS	CAUSE	SYSTEM	COMPONENT	MANUFACTURER	REPORTABLE TO NPDOS

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT EXPECTED (14)

YES (If yes, complete EXPECTED SUBMISSION DATE) NO

EXPECTED SUBMISSION DATE (15)

MONTH	DAY	YEAR

ABSTRACT (Limit to 1400 spaces, i.e., approximately fifteen single-space typewritten lines) (16)

On March 20, 1987 with Units 1 and 2 operating at 100% power, Limiting Condition for Operation (LCO) 3.0.3 was entered and cleared four (4) times on each Unit to perform surveillances on the 4.16 KV Engineered Safeguard System (ESS) busses (EIIS Code: EB).

To perform the monthly degraded voltage channel functional tests on the ESS busses, all degraded voltage protection on the bus is taken out of service although the bus remains energized. Technical Specifications require 2 channels of degraded voltage protection per bus, and both channels must be operable.

The loss of both channels of degraded voltage protection is not addressed by the action statement, therefore entering Tech Spec. 3.0.3 is required.

A Tech Spec change request has been submitted to the NRC to clarify the action statement of table 3.3.3-1 section 5 to address the situation where both channels of degraded voltage protection are inoperable at the same time. This will prevent the necessity of entering Tech Spec 3.0.3 to perform this testing.

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TEXT (If more space is required, use additional NRC Form 308A's) (17)
Description of Event

Limiting Condition for Operation (LCO) 3.0.3 was entered and cleared four (4) times on each unit to perform surveillances on the 4.16 KV Engineered Safeguard System (ESS) Buses (EIIS Code: EB). The event occurred on March 20, 1987 while Units 1 and 2 were operating at 100% power.

To perform the monthly degraded voltage channel functional tests on an ESS bus, all degraded voltage protection on the bus is taken out of service although the bus remains energized. Technical Specifications require 2 channels of degraded voltage protection per bus, and both channels must be operable. Action Statement 36 of Tech Spec Table 3.3.3-1 section 5 states: "With the number of OPERABLE channels one less than the total number of channels, place the inoperable channel in the tripped condition within 1 hour; operation may then continue until performance of the next required CHANNEL FUNCTIONAL TEST".

Cause Of The Event:

The loss of both channels of degraded voltage protection is not addressed by the action statement, therefore entering Tech Spec. 3.0.3 is required.

Analysis Of The Event

The amount of time spent in LCO 3.0.3 for each bus was minimal as shown below:

BUS	TIME LCO DECLARED	TIME LCO CLEARED	MINUTES IN LCO
1A201	0805	0837	32
1A202	0840	0900	20
1A203	0902	0927	25
1A204	0928	0948	20
2A201	1037	1100	23
2A202	1101	1125	24
2A203	1245	1258	13
2A204	1305	1330	25

Disabling the degraded voltage protection for an ESS bus while the bus remains energized means that if the bus experienced a degraded voltage condition, there would be no automatic transfer to the alternate source of the associated Diesel Generator. The alternate source and the Diesel Generator operability are not in question for they would operate properly if any other bus (with operable degraded voltage protection) was to see a degraded voltage condition. The resulting situation is that a bus which is energized during degraded voltage protection testing would become inoperable if an actual degraded voltage condition occurred.

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Due to redundancy of ESS supplied systems and the restrictions of Technical Specifications allowing testing of only one bus at a time, the safety implications of losing the bus under test are bounded by the current safety analysis.

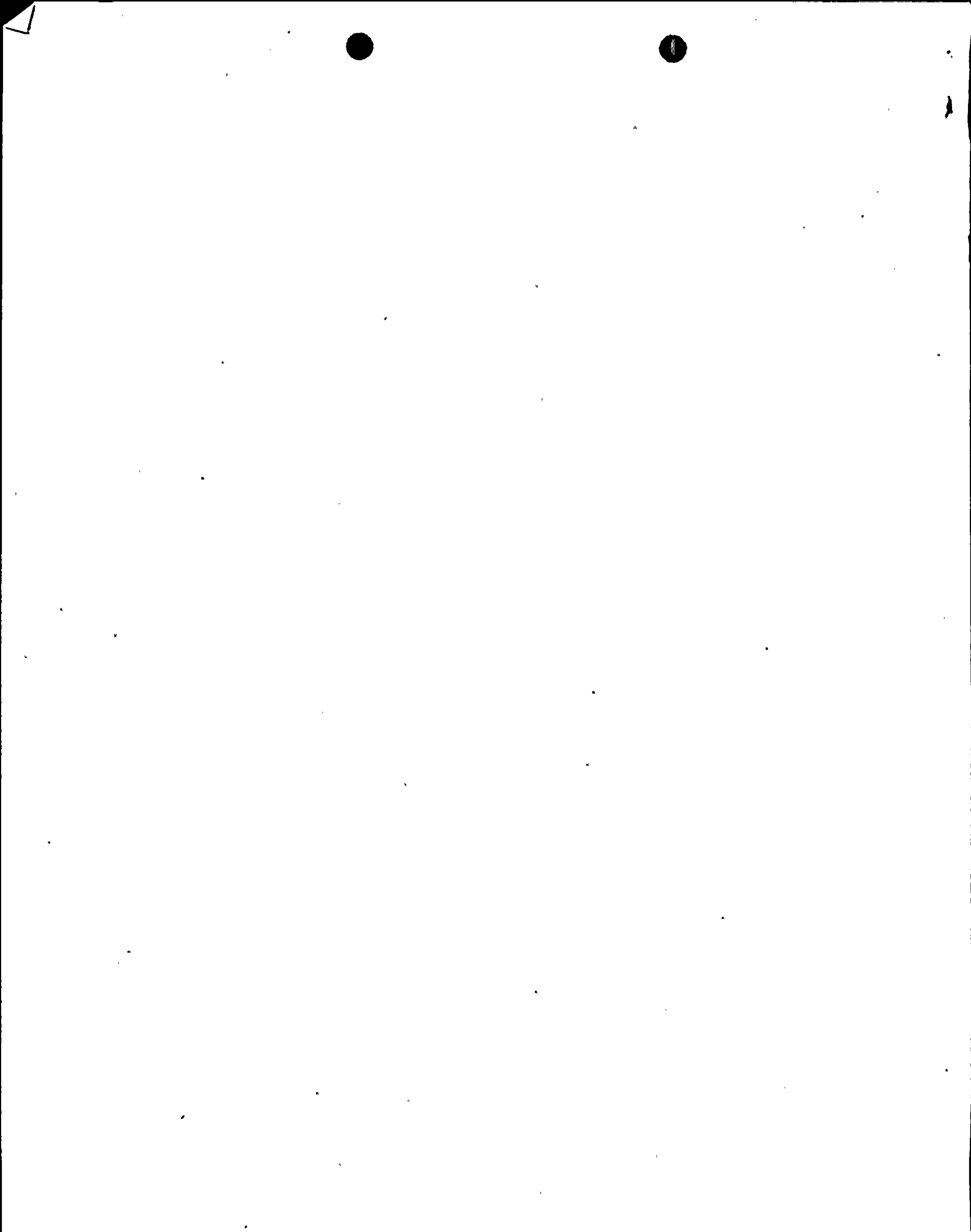
This event has been determined reportable per 10CFR50.73 (a) (2) (i) (B) in that entry into LCO 3.0.3 means the plant is operating in a "Condition Prohibited by Technical Specification" as identified in NUREG-1022 Supplement No. 1.

Corrective Action

A Tech Spec change request has been submitted to the NRC to clarify the action statements of table 3.3.3-1 section 5 to address the situation where both channels of degraded voltage protection are inoperable at the same time. This will prevent the necessity of entering Tech Spec 3.0.3 to perform this testing.

Additional Information:

There have been 10 other LERs addressing the entry into LCO 3.0.3 to perform the Degraded Voltage Relay Surveillances. Refer to LERs - 86-019, 86-025, 86-027, 86-030, 86-032, 86-036, 86-037, 86-042, 87-002, and 87-006.





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Attached is Licensee Event Report 87-010-00. This event was determined reportable per 10CFR50.73 (a) (2) (i) (B), in that the plant entered LCO Action Statement 3.0.3 four times on each unit to perform surveillance testing in the 4.16 KV Engineered Safeguard System (ESS) buses.

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