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SUSQUEHANNA STEAM ELECTRIC STATION LICENSEE EVENT REPORT 89-015-00 FILE R41-2 PIAS -397

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Attached is Licensee Event Report 89-015-00. This event was determined to be reportable per 10CFR50.73(a)(2)(iv) in that an unplanned Engineered Safety Feature actuation occurred when the 'B' Standby Gas Treatment System automatically started on a high inlet header pressure signal.

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Superintendent of Plant - Susquehanna

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automatic start of the 'B' SGTS occurred during depressurization of the suppression chamber (EIIS Code: NH) as part of surveillance procedure SE-200-003, Primary Containment Integrated Leakage Rate Test (ILRT). The ILRT Test Director had reached a step which establishes the differential pressure for the drywell to suppression chamber bypass test portion of the surveillance procedure. The 'A' SGTS was in operation to provide the vent path from the suppression chamber. The Test Director instructed the operator to shutdown the 'A' SGTS when pressure in the suppression chamber reached 0.1 psig, as per the ILRT procedure. The operator (utility, licensed) shutdown the 'A' SGTS and then closed the burp and purge dampers between the drywell and suppression chamber and the SGTS trains in accordance with the operating procedure. The Test Director, however, instructed the operator to re-open the burp and purge dampers to provide a flow path from the suppression chamber was necessary to establish the required drywell to suppression chamber bypass leakage test differential pressure. Following the re-opening of the burp and purge dampers, the 'B' SGTS auto-started on high inlet header pressure.

## CAUSE OF EVENT

This event was caused by a procedural inadequacy and personnel error. The ILRT procedure was inadequate in describing the method of obtaining the drywell to suppression chamber bypass leakage test pressure condition and the securing of the SGTS. The procedure should not have secured SGTS until 0.0 psig was reached in the suppression chamber and should have directed the securing of the SGTS in accordance with the operating procedure for the SGTS. In directing the re-opening of the burp and purge dampers, the Test Director failed to recall that the SGTS will auto-start on an inlet header pressure of approximately 0.05 psig.

## REPORTABILITY/ANALYSIS

Per the Final Safety Analysis Report (FSAR) section 6.5.1.1, the use of the SGTS for filtering and exhausting air from the primary containment for purging and ventilating is a non-safety related objective for design of the SGTS. The purpose of the auto-start of SGTS on high inlet header pressure however, is to preclude the possibility of unfiltered air bypassing the filtration train via the outdoor makeup duct. As such, it was conservatively determined that the auto-start on high inlet pressure was an Engineered Safety Feature actuation reportable per 10CFR50.72(b)(2)(ii) and 10CFR50.73(a)(2)(iv). The SGTS properly auto-started and there were no safety consequences or compromise to public health or safety as a result of this auto-start.

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