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SUBJECT: RECLASSIFICATION OF PREVIOUSLY REPORTED ABNORMAL OCCURRENCE

Reference: Telephone notification of Nuclear Regulatory Commission (Mr. Phil Johnson) at 1410 hours on October 7, 1975

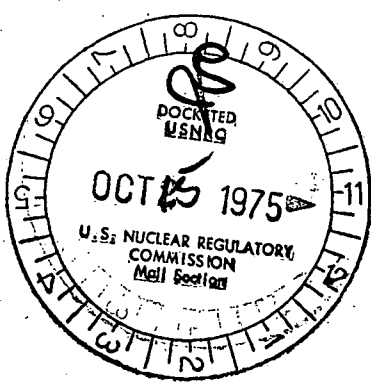
An abnormal occurrence reported to the Commission on October 7, 1975, entitled "Failure of AO-1601-55 Valve to Pass Local Leak-Rate Test", has been more thoroughly evaluated and demonstrated to lack the necessary criteria for classification as such. The circumstances are described below.

Unit-2 was in the shutdown mode. At approximately 1530 hours on September 29, 1975, the volume contained by valves AO-1601-21, -22, -55, -56, and 8502-501 was local leak-rate tested, exhibiting a total leakage of 36.78 SCFH. The test was performed to detect possible valve damage resulting from excessive nitrogen flow experienced during the recent drywell inerting process.

Manual valve 8503-500, in series with valve 1601-55, was closed in order to determine the maximum penetration through-leakage. This test exhibited a leakage of 18.02 SCFH, allowing a leakage to be derived for valve 1601-55 of 18.76 SCFH (36.78 - 18.02). Both the maximum penetration through-leakage and the 1601-55 valve through-leakage were below the maximum allowable leakage of 29.38 SCFH. Consequently, the initial local leak-rate test failure did not constitute an abnormal occurrence.

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