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SUBJECT DPR-19 DRESDEN NUCLEAR POWER STATION UNIT 2:

THIS WILL CONFIRM CONVERSATION AT 1045 HRS. THIS DATE WITH MR. H.

DANCE OF YOUR OFFICE REGARDING FAILURE OF A REACTOR PROTECTION

LIMIT SWITCH OF THE NO. 2 TURBINE STOP VALVE. AT 0715 HRS.

ON 5/27/72 THE TURBINE STOP VALVES WERE INDIVIDUALLY CLOSED PURSUANT

TO THE START UP TEST PROGRAM AT 90 PER CENT OF RATED REACTOR POWER.

THE REACTOR PROTECTION RELAYS ASSOCIATED WITH THE NO. 2 TURBINE STOP

VALVE DID NOT DE-ENERGIZE AS THE VALVE WENT CLOSED; THE RELAYS

ASSOCIATED WITH THE REMAINING VALVES OPERATED PROPERLY. FUSES WERE

REMOVED TO DE-ENERGIZE THE RELAYS ASSOCIATED WITH THE NO. 2

TURBINE STOP VALVE AND SIMULATE THE VALVES AS

CLOSED TO SATISFY THE REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 3.1 OF THE

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS. '

REACTOR POWER WAS REDUCED ON 5/30/72 TO A POINT AT WHICH RADIATION

LEVELS ALLOWED WORK ON THE

LIMIT SWITCH. INSPECTION REVEALED THAT THE SWITCH WAS

PROPERLY POSITIONED BUT WAS HANGING UP INTERNALLY. THE

SWITCH WAS REPLACED AND THE REPLACEMENT SATISFACTORILY TESTED

AT 0300 HRS. ON 5/30/72.

THE DEFECTIVE SWITCH WILL BE FORWARDED TO OUR ENGINEERING

DEPARTMENT FOR ANALYSIS AND RECOMMENDATION

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