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SUBJECT DPR-19 AND DPR-25 DRESDEN NUCLEAR POWER STATION UNITS 2 AND 3

THIS WILL CONFIRM A CONVERSATION WITH MR HUGH DANCE OF YOUR OFFICE AT 1445 HOURS THIS DATE REGARDING A FILURE TO CONTINUOUSLY MONITOR PLANT CHIMNEY EFFLUENTS AT APPROXIMATELY 0900 HOURS, JULY 26, 1972 THE CENTER DESK NSO WHILE SCANNING ANNUNCIATORS NOTED QUOTE STACK GAS SAMPLE FLOW / PRESSURE ABNORMAL UNQUOTE ANNUNCIATOR IN AN ALARM CONDITION. AN OPERATOR WAS SENT TO CHECK THE SAMPLING SYSTEM AND THE SAMPLE PUMP WAS FOUND IN A TRIPPED CONDITION. THE SPARE PUMP WAS PLACE IN OPERATION AND THE SYTEM WAS RESTORED TO NORMAL BY 0940 HOURS.

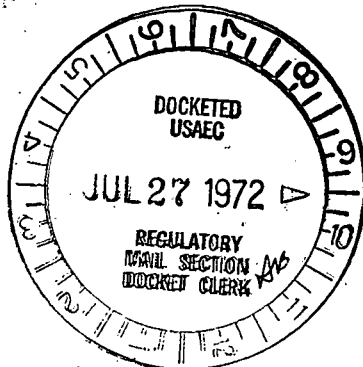
AN INVESTIGATION INDICATED THAT THE PUMP HAD TRIPPED AT APPROXIMATELY 0130 HOURS JULY 26. IT APPEARS THAT THE ABNROMAL ALARM CAME UP AT THIS TIME OR SHORTLY BEFORE AND NO CORRECTIVE ACTION WAS TAKEN. DURING THIS PERIOD BOTH OFF GAS MONITORS ON EACH UNIT WERE OPERABLE AND RECORDING. THE RECORDERS SHOW NO UNEXPLAINED OR ABNORMAL CHANGE IN ACTIVITY DURING THIS PERIOD.

THIS SITUATION WILL BE DISCUSSED WITH ALL PERSONS INVOLVED AND THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS ALARM WILL BE EMPHASIZED

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