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 50-530/87-21 on 870511. Plans for technology transfer &
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Attention: Mr. E. E. Van Brunt Jr.,
Executive Vice President

Gentlemen:

. Subject: Report of Meeting With ANPP Management.

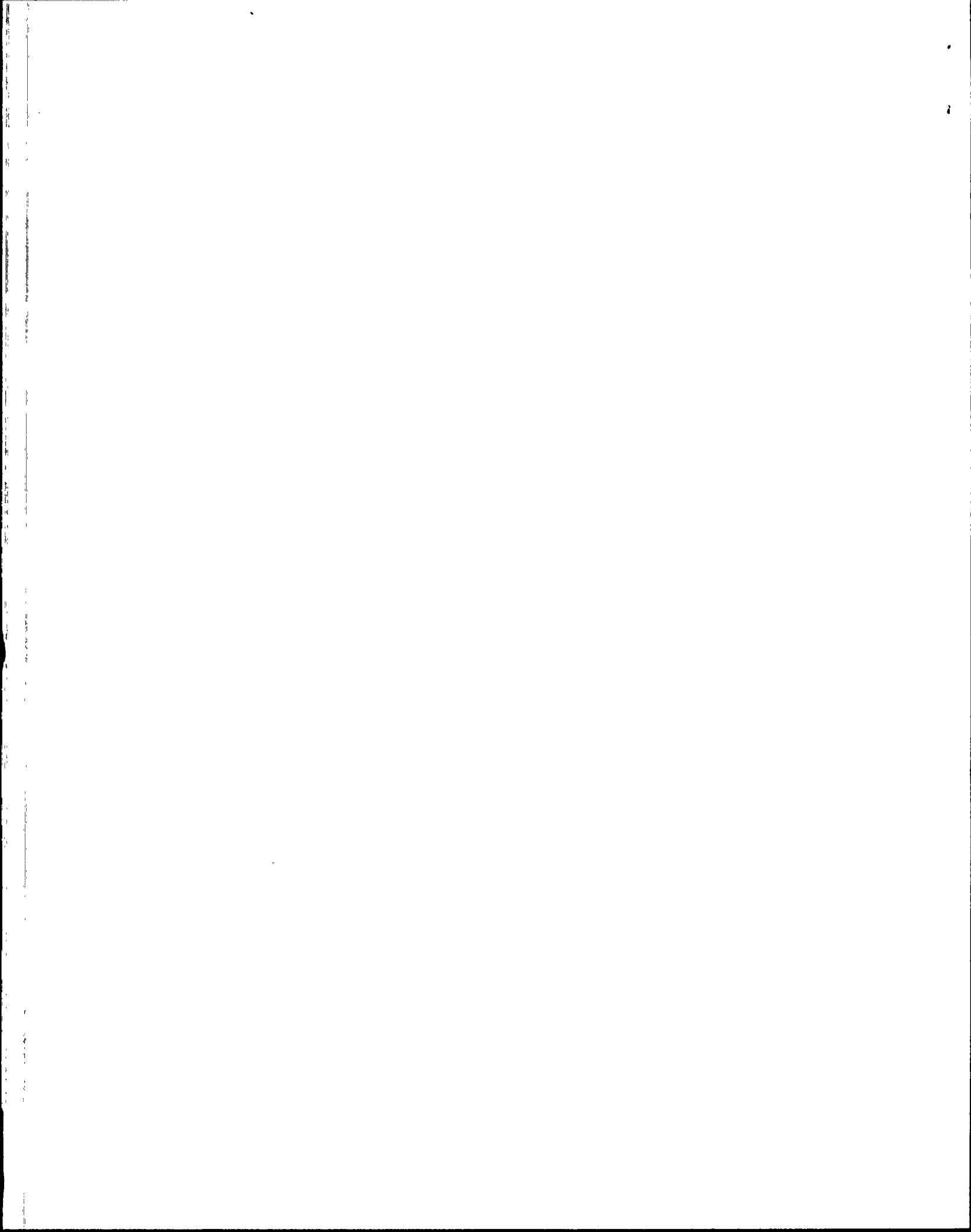
This refers to the meeting held with you, Mr. J. G. Haynes, and other members of your staff at the NRC Region V Office in Walnut Creek, California, on May 11, 1987. The subjects discussed are summarized in Meeting Report Nos. 50-528/87-19, 50-529/87-21, and 50-530/87-21 enclosed herewith for your information.

The meeting discussion focused primarily on a review of the recent operating experience at the Palo Verde site. The cause and corrective actions implemented following several operational events were reviewed in detail. In addition, aspects of previous issues discussed at our February 4, 1987, meeting at the ANPP Corporate Engineering Office were updated as to current status.

It was noted during the meeting that although a generally improving trend was evident in many aspects of your operating performance over the past year, recent performance indicates that continued attention on the part of site and corporate management is necessary in order to maintain a consistently high level of performance, particularly with respect to reducing personnel errors and procedure adherence problems. This point is evidenced not only by the licensee event reports reviewed in our meeting, but also by the more recent procedure adherence problem at Unit 2 on May 19, 1987, which was repeated at Unit 1 on June 1, 1987, resulting in about 100 gallons of water unintentionally being spilled from the lower containment spray ring inside each containment.

We are also concerned about inverter reliability, following several apparent quality-related problems which have resulted in an abnormally high rate of DC fuse failures. Although the corrective modifications you have recently implemented with the vendor's involvement appear, in the short term, to have been effective, we remain interested in closely following the results of further evaluations conducted to verify proper inverter performance. We strongly recommend that you involve the highest level of the vendor's organization in this issue. Please keep this office informed as to the results of further inverter evaluations.

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The additional steps that you outlined to monitor plant activities on backshift are considered appropriate. It is important to ensure that you and your staff have a true understanding of work habits on off-hours to verify that company policies and procedures are adhered to properly.

We found your plans for the technology transfer and reliability programs to be a significant internal commitment. We look forward to periodic updates on the current status of the programs at future meetings.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790(a), a copy of this letter and the enclosure will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room.

No response to this letter is required. Should you have any questions concerning this report, we will be pleased to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,
Original Signed by
John B. Martin

John B. Martin
Regional Administrator

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- A. Report Nos. 50-528/87-19 50-529/87-21 50-530/87-21
- B. Meeting Agenda

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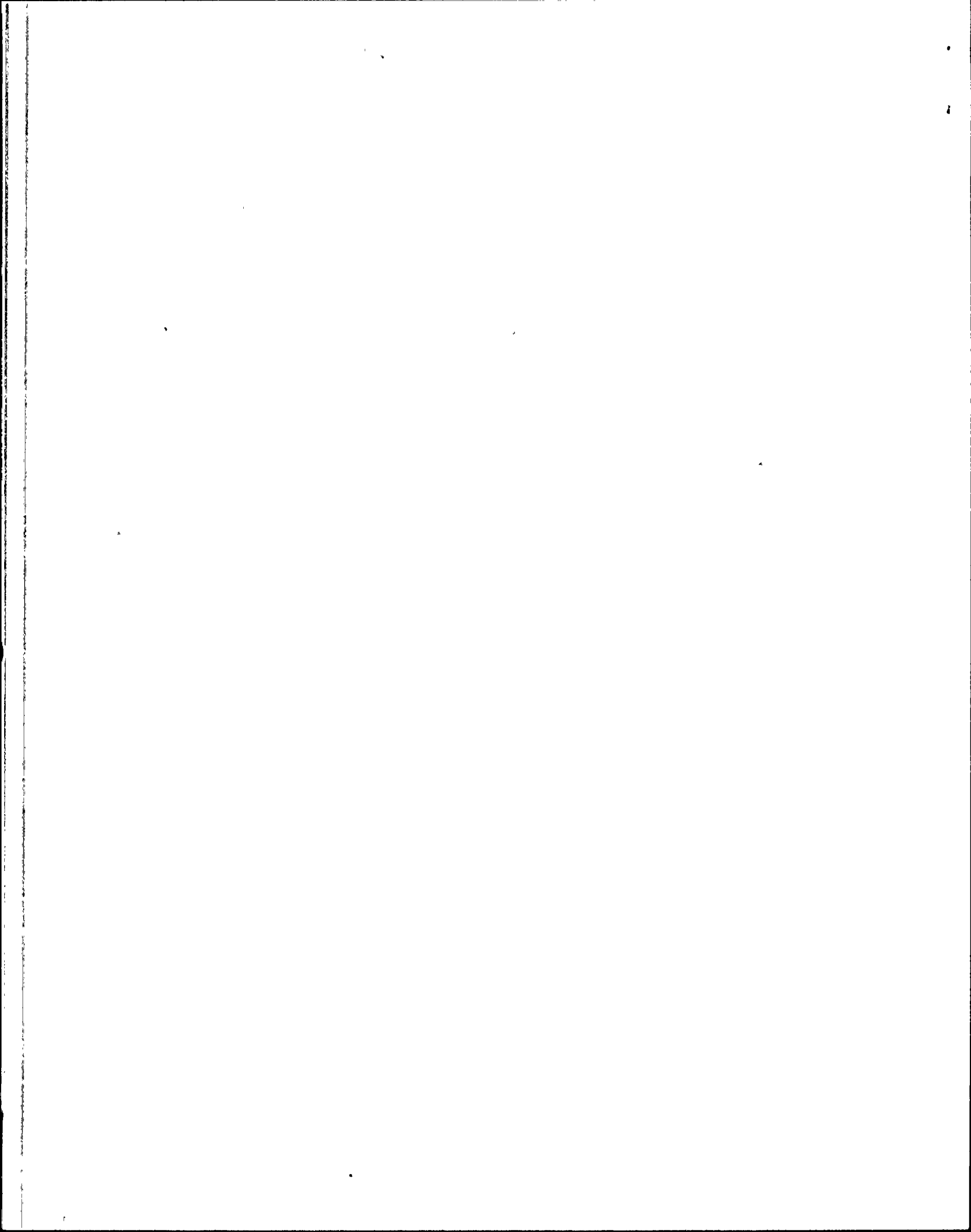
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