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SUBJECT: LER 87-018-00: on 870712, operation in excess of 24 hrs
 w/greater than 2% calculated quadrant power tilt ratio w/o
 running flux map or reducing overpressure, overtemperature
 occurred. Caused by personnel error. W/870811 ltr.

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TITLE (4) **Operation In Excess Of 24 Hours With Greater Than 2 Percent Calculated Quadrant Power Tilt Ratio Without Running Flux Map or Reducing Overpressure, Overtemperature**

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ABSTRACT (Limit to 1400 spaces, i.e., approximately fifteen single space typewritten lines) (16)

Unit 4 was increasing power after being returned to service on July 9, 1987. Power Range detector N-41 was replaced during the outage and thus the channel required recalibration. Until the calibration was completed the Upper and Lower section deviation alarms were declared to be out of service and a manual calculation of Quadrant Power Tilt Ratio (QPTR) was performed each shift. At 0023 on July 11, the power increase was stopped at 92% due to a calculated 2.84% QPTR. Due to operating difficulties unrelated to QPTR, reactor power was reduced to 75%. Prior to increasing power from 75% a flux map was run and it verified Hot Channel Factors to be acceptable and QPTR to be less than 2%. The manual calculation QPTR performed concurrently with the flux map showed a tilt of 2.36%. Power was conservatively limited to 95% until new detector currents to use in the manual calculations could be issued. The 24 hour time limit for Technical Specification 3.2.6.i.1 had been exceeded. The Overpressure/Overtemperature Delta Temperature setpoints were not reduced as required by Technical Specification 3.2.6.i.2, because Power Range detector N-44 was out of service. Power Range logic will not allow two channels to be out of service at the same time without generating a reactor trip. The applicable procedure will be revised to address the 24 hour time limit of Technical Specifications 3.2.6.i.1.

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EVENT

Prior to Unit 4 startup on July 8, 1987, during the latest outage, Power Range Detector N-41 was replaced. Replacement of N-41 requires recalibration of the channel. Until the calibration was completed the Upper and Lower section deviation alarms were declared out of service (OOS) and a manual calculation of the Quadrant Power Tilt Ratio (QPTR) was performed on each shift. A decision was made that reactor power would be limited by the most conservative calculation of QPTR. On July 9, 1987, with the unit at 50% power, a series of Flux Maps were performed to develop new interim numbers to be used in the manual calculation of QPTR and the QPTR calibration of N-41. The 50 percent Flux Map showed acceptable Hot Channel Factors, and manual calculations of QPTR showed less than 2 percent tilt. During the subsequent power increase, the manual calculation of QPTR on July 11, 1987 at 0023, showed a tilt of 2.84 percent. As planned, reactor power was limited to 94.32 percent. Subsequent QPTR calculations showed an additional increase in tilt to approximately 5.0 percent and power was further limited to 90 percent. There was a perception that the calculated power tilt was erroneous, based on the results of the flux map run on July 9, 1987. Technical Specification 3.2.6.1 requires that with a QPTR greater than 2 percent, the Hot Channel Factors must be verified or the Overpressure/Overtemperature Delta Temperature (OP/OT DT) setpoint shall be reduced. Additional calculation of QPTR showed some improvement in QPTR but due to other operational difficulties unrelated to QPTR, reactor power was reduced to approximately 75 percent. (Unit 4 experienced a Turbine runback refer to LER 251,87-19.) Prior to increasing power a second flux map was performed on July 12, 1987 at 1930. The flux map verified Hot Channel Factors acceptable and QPTR to be less than 2 percent. The manual calculation of QPTR performed concurrently with the flux map showed a tilt of 2.36 percent. The maximum allowed power was still based on the most conservative calculation and power was therefore limited to 95 percent. To correct the difference in the QPTR calculation, a second set of interim calibration numbers was developed to be used in the manual calculation of QPTR. With new numbers the manual QPTR calculation showed less than 2 percent tilt, which was similar to the results of the second Flux Map. As the unacceptable flux tilt calculation was initially discovered at 0023 on July 11, Technical Specification 3.2.6.1.2 required reduction of the OP/OT DT setpoint by 0023, July 12. Contrary to this the OP/OT DT setpoints were not reduced because Power Range detector N-44 was out of service to replace a faulty power supply. Power Range Logic will not allow 2 Power Range Channels out of service at the same time without generating a reactor trip. Hot Channel Factors were not determined because of the power limits that were placed on the unit of 94.32 percent and subsequently 90 percent. Hot Channel Factors were determined at 75 percent power and found acceptable. This exceeded the 24 hour time limit of Technical Specification 3.2.6.1.1 by 19 hours and 07 minutes.

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CAUSE OF EVENT

The perception that the calculated power tilt was erroneous, based on the results of the flux map run on July 9, 1987, resulted in the delay of running a second flux map. The perception was strengthened by the problems that were known to exist with the power range detector currents at the time of the event. The cause of exceeding the 24 hour limit of the Technical Specification Limiting Condition of Operation was personnel error mainly due to insufficient emphasis on the Technical Specification requirement in procedure ONOP-12308.2.

ANALYSIS OF EVENT

The power level was limited to 94.32 percent and subsequently to 90 percent for a QPTR of 2.84 percent and 5 percent respectfully. The results of the second flux map that was run at 1930, July 12, 1987, verified the Hot Channel Factors to be acceptable and the QPTR was less than 2 percent. Based on the above the health and safety of the public was not affected.

CORRECTIVE ACTION

- 1) A second Flux Map was performed to verify Hot Channel Factors and QPTR to be acceptable.
- 2) Power level was limited, based on the most conservative calculation of QPTR.
- 3) Procedure ONOP-12308.2, Power Range Nuclear Instrumentation Verification of Upper, Lower and Channel Deviation Alarms, will be updated to address the 24 hour time limit for determining Hot Channel Factors and reducing the OP/OT DT setpoints.
- 4) This event will be addressed in the Licensed Operator Requalification classes.

ADDITIONAL DETAILS:

Manufacturer: Power Range Detector, Electro Standard Labs, Model WL 24154. High Voltage Power Supply, Westinghouse, Model UPMD-X54W.

Similar occurrences: none



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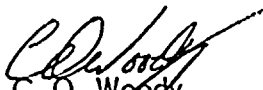
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Gentlemen:

Re: Turkey Point Unit 4
Docket No. 50-251
Reportable Event: 87-18
Date of Event: July 12, 1987
Operation In Excess Of 24 Hours With Greater Than
2 Percent Calculated Quadrant Power Tilt Ratio Without
Running Flux Map or Reducing Overpressure, Overtemperature Setpoints

The attached Licensee Event Report is being submitted pursuant to the requirements of 10 CFR 50.73 to provide notification of the subject event.

Very truly yours,


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