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SUBJECT: LER 88-006-00: on 880408, surveillance of hydrogen & oxygen concentration of inservice gas decay tank missed. Caused by personnel error. Surveillance incorporated into chemistry primary daily worksheet & personnel counseled. W/880523 ltr.

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On April 8, 1988, with units 3 and 4 at 100% power, the surveillance of the hydrogen and oxygen concentration of the inservice gas decay tank was not performed. Technical Specification (TS) 3.9.2.g.1 requires the hydrogen and oxygen concentration to be determined once per day during operations other than degassing. The surveillance was performed on April 7 at 1100, and was next performed on April 9 at 1045, with satisfactory results each time. The 48 hours between surveillances does not meet TS requirements. The cause of the missed surveillance was personnel error. Work was being performed in the room where the sample and analysis equipment is located. During shift turnover, the chemistry technician and his supervisor discussed the fact that the work would have to be stopped and the system lined up in order to take the sample of the inservice gas decay tank to perform the TS required analysis. The chemistry technician misunderstood this conversation to mean that the supervisor would perform the TS required surveillance. Therefore, the daily TS required analysis of the inservice gas decay tank was not performed as required. The surveillance has been incorporated in the chemistry daily worksheets. Verification of the satisfactory completion of the surveillance is performed by the supervisor initialing the worksheet. The supervisor in charge and the technician were counseled.

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EVENT

On April 8, 1988, with units 3 and 4 at 100% power, the scheduled surveillance of the hydrogen and oxygen concentration of the inservice gas decay tank (EIIS:WE) was not performed. Technical Specification (TS) 3.9.2.g.l requires the hydrogen and oxygen concentration in the inservice gas decay tank to be determined to be within the specified limits by continuously monitoring the waste gases in the gas decay tank. As modifications to the gas analyzing equipment were not complete at this time, the Technical Specifications permit the surveillance to consist of grab sampling and analysis once per day during operations other than degassing. The surveillance was performed on April 7 at 1100, and was next performed on April 9 at 1045, with satisfactory results each time. The 48 hours between surveillances does not meet TS requirements.

This event is being reported within 30 days following discovery of the event, as the date of discovery was April 21, 1988.

CAUSE OF EVENT

The cause of the missed surveillance was personnel error. The technician failed to perform the surveillance, and his supervisor did not verify that all Technical Specification required surveillances for that day were completed. On April 8, work was being performed in the room where the sample and analysis equipment is located, in order to make the continuous gas decay monitor operational. During the shift turnover, the chemistry technician and his supervisor discussed the fact that the work would have to be stopped and the system lined up in order to take the sample of the inservice gas decay tank to perform the TS required analysis. The chemistry technician misunderstood this conversation to mean that the supervisor would perform the TS required surveillance. Therefore, the daily TS required analysis of the inservice gas decay tank was not performed as required.

ANALYSIS OF EVENT

Surveillances performed on April 7 and April 9 both indicated that the oxygen concentrations were within TS limits. Based on the above, the health and safety of the public were not affected.

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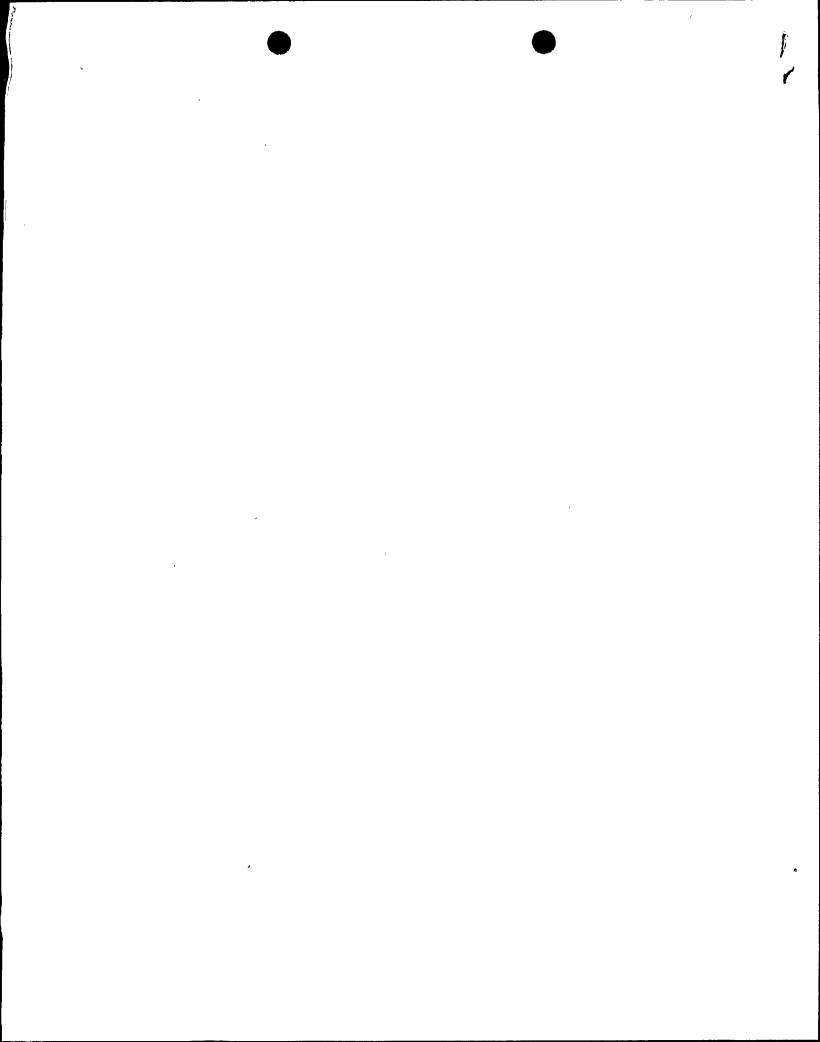
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CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

- In order to preclude future communication problems, the surveillance of the in-service gas decay tank has been incorporated in the primary chemistry daily worksheets. Independent verification of the satisfactory completion of the above surveillance is performed by the responsible supervisor or his designee initialing the worksheet on a daily basis.
- 2) The supervisor in charge and the technician were counseled by the Chemistry Department Supervisor as to the importance of performing this surveillance. They were also reminded to contact supervision should a need for clarification of a TS surveillance requirement arise.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Similar occurrences: LER's 250-86-011, 250-86-013, 250-86-020, 250-86-027, 250-87-013, and 250-87-28 are all missed surveillances, however the root causes for these events were different from the root causes of the present report.



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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Attn: Document Control Desk Washington, D. C. 20555

Gentlemen:

Re: Turkey Point Units 3 and 4
Docket Nos. 50-250 and 50-251
Reportable Event: 88-06
Date of Event: April 8, 1988
Missed Surveillance of Gas Decay Tank Hydrogen and Oxygen Concentration Due to Personnel Error

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

Very truly yours,

W. F. Conway.

Senior Vice President - Nuclear

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Attachment

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