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0 2 | During routine surveillance testing of the fire detection instrumentation, the

0 3 | fusible plug for the Battery Room Detectors for both Unit 1 and Unit 2 had melted

0 4 | during the testing, rendering them inoperable. Action Statement 3.3.3.6 was

0 5 | entered at 0700 hours.

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SYSTEM CODE A B 11		CAUSE CODE D 12		CAUSE SUBCODE Z 13		COMPONENT CODE I N S T R U 14				COMP. SUBCODE E 15		VALVE SUBCODE Z 16	
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1 0 | A hot air blower was used to raise the temperature of the detector to an alarm
1 1 | condition, but was not removed quickly enough to prevent detector damage. The
1 2 | detectors were replaced and tested satisfactorily, terminating the Action Statement
1 3 | at 2100 hours on June 3, 1980. Design Changes were initiated on September 15, 1980,
1 4 | which will replace the existing detectors with a non-expendable type.

FACILITY STATUS		% POWER			OTHER STATUS (30)		METHOD OF DISCOVERY		DISCOVERY DESCRIPTION (32)		
1	5	E	28	1	0	0	29	N/A	B	31	Routine Surveillance
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ACTIVITY CONTENT
RELEASED OF RELEASE AMOUNT OF ACTIVITY (35)
1 6 Z (33) Z (34) N/A
7 8 9 10 11 44
LOCATION OF RELEASE (36)
N/A
45 80

PERSONNEL EXPOSURES									
NUMBER			TYPE	DESCRIPTION					
1	7	0	0	0	(37) Z (38) N/A				

PERSONNEL INJURIES		DESCRIPTION	
NUMBER			
1	2	3	4
0	0	0	40
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PUBLICITY																	
ISSUED			DESCRIPTION												(45)		
2	0	N	(44)	N/A										NRC USE ONLY			
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Report Number: 80-30/03X-1
Report Date: February 4, 1981
Occurrence Date: 6/1/80
Facility: Salem Generating Station, Unit 1
Public Service Electric & Gas Company
Hancocks Bridge, New Jersey 08038

IDENTIFICATION OF OCCURRENCE:

Failure of Fire Detection Instrumentation

CONDITIONS PRIOR TO OCCURRENCE:

Mode 1 - Rx Power 100%

DESCRIPTION OF OCCURRENCE:

During routine surveillance testing of the detectors, it was discovered that the fusible plug in the detectors for Unit 1 and Unit 2 Battery Rooms had melted during the testing. At 0700 hours, the detectors were declared inoperable and Action Statement 3.3.3.6 was entered. With the number of operable fire detection instruments less than required, a fire watch had to be established within one hour to patrol the affected areas at least once per hour IAW Technical Specification 3.3.3.6.

DESIGNATION OF APPARENT CAUSE OF OCCURRENCE:

Procedural inadequacy. The surveillance procedures states, "To test a detector, turn the hot air blower on and selector switch to hot. Place the hot air blower near the detector; when it trips, a neon light will flash on the side of the detector. Remove heat immediately or the detector will be damaged. NOTE: The Battery Room's detectors do not have neon lights."

ANALYSIS OF OCCURRENCE:

Since the Battery Room detectors do not have neon lights to indicate when the detector trips, it is possible to overheat and damage the detectors.

CORRECTIVE ACTION:

Maintenance personnel replaced the damaged detectors with the type that has the neon lights. On September 15, 1980, the Station Safety Supervisor initiated two Design Change Requests (1SC428 and 2SC429) which will replace the existing detectors with the Fenwall DTC 200 PB Type. These Fenwall detectors are a non-expendable type detector.

February 4, 1981

FAILURE DATA:

Starr Sprinkler Corporation
Spot Fire Lowecator
Model EPB

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