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Mr. Boyce H. Grier Director of USNRC Office of Inspections and Enforcements Region 1 631 Park Avenue King of Prussia, Pennsylvania 19406

Dear Mr. Grier:

LICENSE NO. DPR-70 DOCKET NO. 50-272 REPORTABLE OCCURRENCE 78-03/03L

Pursuant to the requirements of Salem Generating Station Unit No. 1 Technical Specifications, Section 6.9.1.9.b, we are submitting Licensee Event Report for Reportable Occurrence 78-03/03L. This report is required within thirty (30) days of the occurrence.

Sincerely yours,

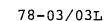
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Report Number: Report Date: Occurrence Date: Facility:

Salem Generating Station Public Service Electric & Gas Company Hancocks Bridge, New Jersey 08038

IDENTIFICATION OF OCCURRENCE:

Inoperable Air Lock Inner Door

CONDITIONS PRIOR TO OCCURRENCE:

Hot Standby - Mode 3

DESCRIPTION OF OCCURRENCE:

At 1600 hours, Health Physics personnel exited containment after taking air samples. Upon exit, surveillance 4.6.1.3.a was performed to verify elevation 130' air lock leak rate. Test showed excessive leakage on inner door. The air lock was declared inoperable and Action Statement 3.6.1.3 was implemented. The unit was in Mode 3 at this time in preparation for a cooldown to Mode 5. At 2200 hours the Shift Supervisor sent an operator to investigate the air lock. The operator removed a small piece of foreign material and tested the inner door leak rate. Results were satisfactory. Action Statement 3.6.1.3 was terminated at 2217 hours.

DESIGNATION OF APPARENT CAUSE OF OCCURRENCE:

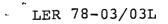
This occurrence was caused by a 1/2 inch long section of 1/16 inch plastic tubing being trapped in the door seal. This foreign material did not allow the door to seal completely causing the excessive leakage.

ANALYSIS OF OCCURRENCE:

Technical Specification 3.6.1.3 states that with an air lock inoperable, restore the air lock to operable status within 24 hours or be in at least Hot Standby within the next 6 hours and in Cold Shutdown within the following 30 hours. The elevation 130' inner door was returned to operable status within 6 hours and 15 minutes. The unit was in a cooldown to Mode 5 during this period.

CORRECTIVE ACTION:

Investigation by Operations personnel revealed a small piece of foreign material trapped on the door seal. The material was removed and the leakage test rerun. Results confirmed operability.



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FAILURE DATA:

N/A

Prepared by T. L. Spencer

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Manager - Salem Generating Station

NRC FORM 366 U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION (7-77) LICENSEE EVENT REPORT CONTROL BLOCK: (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE ALL REQUIRED INFORMATION)](1) 1 2 0 0 - 0 0 0 0 0 - 0 0 3 4 1 1 1 1 1 4 57 NJSGS 0] (5) LICENSEE CODE CON'T NEFURI SOURCE L 6 0 5 0 0 0 2 7 2 7 0 1 1 1 7 8 8 0 2 0 9 7 8 9 60 61 DOCKET NUMBER 68 69 EVENT DATE 74 75 REPORT DATE 80 0 1 EVENT DESCRIPTION AND PROBABLE CONSEQUENCES (10) [0 2] [Health Physics personnel entered containment to take air samples. Upon [|exit via elev. 130' air lock, Tech Spec Surveillance 4.6.1.3 performed | 03 0 4 | on inner door showed excessive air flow. Similar events, 77-58 & 70. [0] [All other air lock doors were operable. Door returned to operable 0 6 status within seven hours. 0 7 0 8 SYSTEM CODE CAUSE SUBCODE CAUSE COMP. VALVE SUBCODE COMPONENT CODE CODE SUBCODE X | X] (11) Z (13) | X |(12) Z (15) | Z | (16) (14) 0 9 12 12 18 10 SEQUENTIAL REVISION OCCURRENCE REPORT REPORT NO. EVENT YEAR LER'RO CODE TYPE NC. (17) REPORT 7 8 0 0 3| \mathbf{L} 0 0 3 NUMBER 22 28 30 31 32 ACTION FUTURE TAKEN ACTION EFFECT ON PLANT SHUTDOWN METHOD HOURS 22 ATTACHMENT SUBMITTED COMPONENT MANUFACTURER NPRD-4 PRIME COMP. FORM SUB. SUPPLIER ¥ 23 E (18) Z (19) Z (20) Z (21) N 24 L (25) C 3 1 0 26 25 26 CAUSE DESCRIPTION AND CORRECTIVE ACTIONS (27) 10 Foreign material on sealing gasket would not allow adequate door con-111 Ltact causing excessive leakage. Foreign material removed from gasket Surveillance 4.6.1.3.a performed with satisfactory results. 1 2 1 3 14 8 9 80 FACILITY METHOD OF OTHER STATUS (30) DISCOVERY DESCRIPTION (32) % POWER B (31) Surveillance Test 4.6.1 5 N/A 8 9 10 ACTIVITY CONTENT 12 44 13 80 AMOUNT OF ACTIVITY (35) LOCATION OF RELEASE (36) RELEASED_OF RELEASE 6 1 N/A N/A 10 11 PERSONNEL EXPOSURES 80 DESCRIPTION (39) NUMBER TYPE 0 0 0 37 z 38 7 N/Ā PERSONNEL INJURIES 80 DESCRIPTION (41) NUMBER 0 0 0 0 0 08 N/A 11 12 80 LOSS OF OR DAMAGE TO FACILITY (43) TYPE DESCRIPTION <u>z</u> (42) 9 N/A 10 PUBLICITY NRC USE ONLY DESCRIPTION (45) 2 0 N/A 80 T. L. Spencer PHONE: (609) 365-7000 Salem Ext. NAME OF PREPARER -528

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