## ALAPAMA POWER COMPANY JOSEPH M. FARLEY NUCLEAR PLANT ATTACHMENT TO LER 78-018/03L-1

Facility: Joseph M. Farley Unit 1

Report Date: 11/14/79

Event Date: March 8, 1978

#### Identification of Event:

Diesel Generator 1C failed to start while performing Surveillance Test Procedure FNP-1-STP-28.1.

### Condition Prior to Event:

The Unit was in Mode 1, 100% steady state power.

### Description of Event:

At 0605 on 3/8/78, while performing the Operability Surveillance Test Procedures after tagging out Diesel Generator 1B for maintenance, Diesel Generator 1C failed to start. Diesel Generator 1B was immediately placed back in service and operability of the remaining A.C. electrical power sources was demonstrated as required by Technical Specification 3.8.1.1.

At 1055 on 3/8/78, Diesel Generator 1C was restored to an operable status.

## Designation of Apparent Cause:

Corrosion particles caused the air start solenoid valves to stick, preventing Diesel Generator 1C from starting. Diesel Generator 1C was satisfactorily tested as per FNP-1-STP-28.1 upon cleaning the air start sclenoid valves.

## Analysis of Event:

Diesel Generator 1C was restored to an operable status within the time limit specified in Technical Specification 3.8.1.1. All other A.C. electrical power sources were verified operable. The health and safety of the public were not affected by this occurrence.

## Effect on Plant:

This occurrence had no significant effect on the plant.

#### Corrective Action:

Cleaning the air start solenoid valves was sufficient action to clear the immediate problem.

A design change (installation of air dryers and blowdown valves in the air start system for the diesel generators) has been implemented.

# Failure Data:

No previous occurrence of this type has been reported.

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