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January 5, 1979

Mr. Boyce H. Grier, Director
Office of Inspection and Enforcement
Region I
United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
631 Park Avenue
King of Prussia, Pennsylvania 19406

Dear Mr. Grier:

Subject: Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station
Docket No. 50-219
Licensee Event Report
Reportable Occurrence No. 50-219/78-35/1T-0

This letter forwards three copies of a Licensee Event Report to report Reportable Occurrence No. 50-219/78-35/1T-0 in compliance with paragraph 6.6.1.a of the Technical Specifications.

Very truly yours,

Ivan R. Finfrock, Jr.
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Vice President

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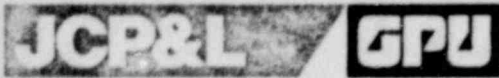
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OYSTER CREEK NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION
Forked River, New Jersey 08731

Licensee Event Report
Reportable Occurrence No. 50-219/78-35/IT-0

Report Date

January 5, 1979

Occurrence Date

December 22, 1978

Identification of Occurrence

Violation of the Technical Specifications, paragraph 3.5.A.1.c.1, when the suppression pool water temperature exceeded 95°F. during power operation. This event is considered to be a reportable occurrence as defined in the Technical Specifications, paragraph 6.9.2.a.2.

Conditions Prior to Occurrence

The major plant parameters at the time of the occurrence were:

Power:	Generator, 665 MWe
	Reactor, 1918 MWt
Flow:	Recirculation, 15.5×10^4 gpm
	Feedwater, 7.169×10^6 lb/hr
Reactor Pressure:	1020 psig
Stack Gas:	2.95×10^4 μ Ci/sec

Description of Occurrence

At approximately 12:45 p.m. on Friday, December 22, 1978, the suppression pool water temperature was found to be in excess of the Technical Specification for the limiting condition for power operation. The average value for the four suppression pool thermocouples at the time of the incident was 95.35°F. Containment Spray System I was initiated at 1:20 p.m. in the suppression pool cooling mode and the suppression pool water temperature was subsequently brought below 95°F.

Apparent Cause of Occurrence

The apparent cause of the occurrence was the failure of station personnel to recognize that the suppression pool water temperature was approaching the Technical Specification limit for that parameter.