

THE BABCOCK & WILCOX COMPANY
POWER GENERATION GROUP

OCONEE-1,2,3

To	C. A. Creacy - Service Manager	
From	D. J. Morris - Plant Equipment Services Section (Ext. 2057) <i>DJ Morris</i>	EDS 443-8
Cust.	Duke Power Company	File No. or Ref. NSS-3,4, & 9
Subj.	Trip Report PZR Code Safety Valves Meeting	Date May 25, 1976

This letter is under one customer and one account only.

ATTENDEES

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PURPOSE OF MEETING

To present to Duke the results of B&W's effort toward improving performance of pressurizer code safety valves. The meeting was conducted in accordance with the meeting agenda (Attachment 1).

MEETING MINUTES

Introduction - Presented an outline of the joint effort between B&W, Duke Power, and Dresser (Attachment 2).

Instrumentation on Oconee Unit 2 - Technical presentations by Jack Simonis on the PIPING LOADS/STRAIN GAUGE STUDY and the VIBRATION/ACCELEROMETER STUDY were very well received. These presentations readily demonstrated both the time and effort expended on these studies and the high degree of technical competence of the personnel involved. Due to his direct involvement in this program, he was also able to correlate his findings with other areas of the overall program. Following each technical presentation, a discussion of both specific and general conclusions which could be drawn from these studies as a result of both data analysis AND visual observations/common sense approach to all data presented.

DISCUSSION

Operating Plant Survey - Discussed the extensive nationwide PWR survey on operating plants. These included plants from coast to coast with several on-site visits. Both B&W and non-B&W plants were included in this survey. Specific areas of Maintenance, Handling, Testing, Piping arrangements, and Operating History were covered. A multitude of correlations were made which complemented the theories and results of the presentations by Jack Simonis.

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Several questions were raised by the customer during this discussion in each of the areas covered, indicating a high degree of enthusiasm toward the information presented. At the conclusion of the Survey discussion, handouts were presented on the information obtained (Attachment 3), and a sample of the Survey questionnaire (Attachment 4).

Present Status at TMI and Crystal River - A brief discussion of recent events at these plants was conducted which primarily emphasized the high degree of correlation between those events and previously discussed theories and information.

Conclusions and recommendations were then presented, along with the schedule for implementing the action plan (Attachments 5 and 6). Duke agreed to the action plan and as a result of the discussions, decided to implement vertical handling of these valves as soon as possible. The agreement was made to have detailed maintenance, handling and testing procedures available for use and an on-site test facility constructed in time for the Unit 3 refueling in September.

The meeting was highly successful and more than adequately accomplished its purpose.

Duke Power was impressed with the work that was required to retrieve the information and well pleased with BW's interpretation and analysis which provided a logical/common sense set of recommendations.

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Attachments

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J. C. Simonis

DUKE POWER COMPANY
PRESSURIZER CODE SAFETY VALVES
MEETING 5/19/76

A G E N D A

INTRODUCTION	DuWayne Morris
PIPING LOADS/STRAIN GAUGE STUDY	Jack Simonis
VIBRATION/ACCELEROMETER STUDY	Jack Simonis
DISCUSSION	DuWayne Morris
OPERATING PLANT SURVEY (INCLUDES MAINTENANCE, HANDLING, AND TESTING)	
PRESENT STATUS AT TMI AND CRYSTAL RIVER	
SUMMARY OF CONCLUSIONS	
RECOMMENDATIONS FOR OCONEE NUCLEAR STATION	
ACTION PLAN AND SCHEDULE	

INTRODUCTION

Efforts were initiated by B&W toward improving performance of pressurizer code safety valves as a direct result of B&W and customer concern over recurring problems with excessive valve leakage. This concern was expressed to Dresser which resulted in a joint effort between B&W and Dresser.

The first step taken was to determine, by joint discussion, the probable causes for excessive leakage based upon all information available at the time. The following items were determined to be the most probable causes for excessive leakage:

PROBABLE CAUSES

- A. Ambient temperature and associated thermal profile effects.
- B. External piping loads created by thermal growth during Rx heatup resulting in excessive mechanical strain on valve internals.
- C. Vibration of sufficient magnitude may result in relative seat/disc movement and associated surface degradation.
- D. Maintenance techniques may need to be more stringent to insure proper seating.
- E. Handling and installation should be closely scrutinized to insure that the seating surfaces are not damaged during these processes.
- F. Valve testing, specifically hot vs. cold setting of these valves, needs closer analysis to determine set point drift associated with the thermal growth of valve internals.

Subsequent to determination of the most probable causes listed above, a course of action was established to facilitate assignment of relative magnitudes and/or elimination of each of the aforementioned probable causes as follows:

ACTION TAKEN

- A. An extensive nationwide PWR survey was undertaken on operating plants to provide additional information, both general and specific. This included several on-site visits coast to coast and lengthy survey questionnaires at both B&W and non-B&W plants.
- B. Determine external piping loads at Duke Power Company's Oconee Unit II through both visual observations and installation of strain gauge instrumentation.
- C. Determine effects of vibration at Oconee Unit II by installation of accelerometer instrumentation on the valve body.

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D. Installation of thermocouple instrumentation to provide valve and piping thermal profile information at Oconee Unit II.

E. Discuss the results of the above listed actions with Dresser.

F. Formulate a new plan.

With regard to the action plan, tremendous cooperation, effort, and technical assistance was obtained from all personnel involved in the instrumentation and data retrieval on the Oconee Unit II valves. The efforts of Olie Bradham, Bill Keisler, Mike Alexander, John Neilson (ARC), Bill Crawford (ARC), and Jack Simotis (OFR) were particularly outstanding and greatly appreciated.

ATTACHMENT 3

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PRESSURIZER CODE SAFETY RELIEF VALUES GENERAL INFORMATION

PLANT	REACTOR SUPPLIER	ARCHITECT ENGINEER	VALVE VENDOR	Loop SEAL	INLET SIZE	Net Flow	Commercial Date	ICD* INLET CAPACITY DIA.2 PIECES	Orienting PRESSURE	Open Press. set point #	Final Press. set point #	Weld Press. set point #	LOCATION TESTING	TEST METHOD	WELDING
ARKANSAS 1	B+W	Brantel	Dresser	No	3"	810	10/74	40-LCD	2155	86.2	1000	WELDOR	IN PLATE	FLASH	
CALIFORNIA COMBUSTION	Brantel	Brantel	Dresser	No	2 1/2"	800	10/75	YES	2250	90	1000	UTILITY	HOT SEAP	NUTMEAT TEST	WELDING
FLAME VENTER	Combustion	stainless	stainless Dresser	No	3"	790	11/72	NO ^D	2235	89.9	8000	UTILITY	WELD	STEAM + HYDRO TRUCK	
MILESTONE 2	Combustion	Brantel	Dresser	YES ^{FS}	2 1/2"	880	10/75	NO							
GEORGE II-II	B+W	UTILITY	Dresser	No	2 1/2"	987	x-775 x 667 22-12-147	10-LCD	2155	86.2	1000	VENDOR	KIWI L&E	STEAM + HYDRO TRUCK	
PALISADES	Combustion	Brantel	Dresser	No	3"	700	12/71	Ye. THERMAY	1800	72	1200	UTILITY	HOT SEAP	NUTMEAT TEST	WELDING
SACRAMENTO & WESTINGHOUSE	Brantel	Conguy	No	3"	610	4/68	4X8340 48-148	20-LCD	2085	83.9	8000	UTILITY	CONVENTIONAL	NO NUTMEAT TEST	
SAC. & W.	B+W	Brantel	Dresser	No	3"	913	4/75	40-LCD	2155	86.2	1000	UTILITY	MAN. SHP	NO NUTMEAT TEST	
TMI-2	B+W	GILBERT	Dresser	YES	2 1/2"	818	9/74	20-LCD	2155	83.9	1000	VENDOR	CONVENTIONAL	NO NUTMEAT TEST	

NOTES: CALVERT CLIFFS 2 - HAS 1/2 FT INLET EXPANSION LOOP - SET POINT CHANGES NOTED BETWEEN FIRST & SECOND LINE CHECK FOR BURNER "2"
MAINE YANKEE - SUMMER OF 75 UPGRADED PRIMARY PRESS FROM 100 TO 2235 PSIG, NO CHANGES UNTIL TEST #20 - UP UNTIL LAST PUBLISH DATE,
TESTING WAS CONDUCTED ON SITE WITH NO.

PALISADES - 1973 DE-RATED PRIMARY PRESS. FROM 2100 TO 1900 PSIG ADAMCO OPERATING

FIELD REPRESENTATIVES - SNUD - WERNER STELL
TMI-2 - ROLAND PASTET - Tom Cassidy
CONEC - Tom Cassidy
PALISADES - WELDOR STELL
A.R. C. AND CANADIAN SURVEY

*MILESTONE 2 - Loop Seal is ELECTRICALLY HEATED TO 4350°F

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PRESSURIZER CODE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

PLANT	GIMBAL EX. & JOINTS	BELLOWS	SPRING	HYDRAULIC SHOCK HANGERS	TEST RESULTS BY BEAMER TP 800, 29		
					(Customer Demand)	Inlet Loop Sensl.	Eliminates Extensiveness of Stress
BEAMS & ...	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
CURRENT CLOUD							
PLATE YACHT							
MARINE R.							
CONCRETE YES-18A	No	No	Yes	Yes	N/A	Yes	
PLATES ...							
SANDCAST 1.	No	No	Yes	No	No	No	Reducing
SMUD	Yes-28	Yes	No	No	No	No	OK
TMR-1	No	No	Yes	No	N/A	Yes	Yes

PRESSURIZER CODE SAFETY RELIEF VALVES CRAFTSMANSHIP

WHO PERFORMS PLANT LAPPING? GROUT #	VENDOR NAME	VENDOR NO.	OPTICAL FLATNESS CHECKS	LAPPING CLOWS BEFORE USE	VALVE SENT VALVE DISK STAINLESS STEEL	VALVE DISK STAINLESS STEEL	VALVE DISK STAINLESS STEEL	VISUAL INSPECTION		CONVENTIONAL OR SPECIAL PLATES	OPTICAL PLATES CALIBRATED	CLEANING FLUID USED	WHO THROWS AWAY A PART?	IS DUST OR PARTS REMOVED FROM A PART?
								STAINLESS STEEL	STAINLESS STEEL					
CATERPILLAR UTILITY	1000	No	No	No	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
NAUT VOLKET UTILITY	8000	No	No	No	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
MITSUBISHI 2														
GEAR 2	VENDOR	1000	No	No	No	No	No	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
SQUARES	UTILITY	3000	No	No	No	No	No	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
SQUARES 2	UTILITY	8000	Yes	Yes	+	+	+	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
SNUD	UTILITY	2000	+	+	+	+	+	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO
TMJ-I	VENDOR	1000	555	555	555	555	555	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO

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LIFT TESTING		LEAKAGE TESTING		IN PLACE TESTING		HANDLING		SUPERVISION	
Location	Plant	Set Point	Leak Test	Leak Test	Leak Test	Specified	Success	Are Values	Are Values
Plant	Op. Temp.	Test Temp.	Medium	Time	Specified	Specified	Specified	Specified	Specified
Boiler 2, In place	STEAM	PSIG							
Cooler Chiller 2 Hot Water Ambient	N2 + N20	2485 ± 1%	2350 psig	No	No	No	No	Utility	Utility
Main Yankee Water Line	Steam	1200 psig	1200 psig	3 hrs.	400 psi min	No	No	Utility	Utility
Distance 2									
Cooler J222, Main Line	150°F	1700 psig	2485	No	2250 Mainline STEAM	3400	Good	Yes	Utility
Frig's Hot Shop Ambient N2	N2	2450 psig	No	No	No	No	No	Utility	Utility
Simulator 2 Government Ambient	N2 + N20	2485 ± 1%	No	2100?	No	No	Yes	Utility	Utility
Spud Main Shop 250°F	N2	2500 psig NOT -4PSI	2300 psig	10 min	15 min	2000	2085	Utility	Utility
TM2-2 Generator Ambient N2	N2	2435	No	2270 psig	N2	No	No	Utility	Utility
NOTES:	COVET CHILLERS 2 - Set Point deviation is noted on first lift check-in, one case, annual activation required, however, suggest lift check out ok.		VALUES AND NOT COMPLETELY VERTICAL AT ALL TIMES DUE TO PIPING ARRANGEMENT, DRASTICALLY INFLUENCE TESTS.		DURING INSTALLATION		OCEANEE - MAINE YANKEE - LEAK TEST SPECIFICATIONS: ZERO CONDENSATION ON MANOMETER HEAD OR DISCHARGE. NECESSABLE CHANGE IN MANOMETER WATER LEVEL AFTER THAT AS A CLOSED SYSTEM DISCHARGE.		

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OPERATING HISTORY:

1. Do you have machinery history on the valves?
If yes, may I obtain a copy?
2. Can you discuss the operating history and any items which may not appear in machinery history?
Include:

A.) Description of malfunction:

1. Downstream temperatures
2. Quench tank temperature
3. Time from installation to malfunction
4. Calculated or known leak rates
5. Plant conditions or transients which may have contributed to malfunction such as lifting of the electromagnetic relief valve.

B.) Any opinion on cause of malfunction?

C.) Any unusual conditions noted on disassembly or subsequent testing?
Including:

1. Wire drawing, cutting, visual appearance + ability to lap clean.
2. Foreign matter in seat area?
3. Internal misalignment?
4. Scratches and/or cracks in seat or disk?
Description and size.
5. Set point OK on re-assembly?
6. Leak test OK after testing?
7. Have valves been cause for plant shutdown?

3. What model Number valve do you have?

Inlet size: Outlet size:

4. Has there been a difference in performance between one valve installation and the other? If so, what do you attribute this performance to? Briefly describe any difference in downstream piping arrangements.

PLANT OPERATIONS:

5. Have the code safety valves ever lifted as protective action (overpressurization)?
If so, describe plant conditions and results.

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6. What is plant operating pressure?
Electromagnetic relief set press? Code relief set press?
7. Has there ever been a change in the specified normal plant op rating pressure? If so, state the approximate date of change; state what the change was, and any noted change in code valve performance.

CRAFTSMANSHIP:

8. Who actually performs valve lapping? (Utility - Vendor)
9. What type and grit number of lapping compound is used for final polish?
10. Are any mechanical aids used to provide uniformity in lapping? If yes, please describe.
11. Are lapping blocks checked for critical flatness prior to use? If yes, what is the required specification for acceptable use?
12. Are lapping blocks re-used? Do you change lapping blocks when changing from a low to a higher grit number lapping compound?
13. Are lapping blocks visually inspected prior to use? If yes, is a magnifying glass used?
14. Describe your cleanliness procedures and lapping compound removal techniques.
15. Are lapping blocks checked for flatness after lapping. If yes, what is acceptable? Is a visual inspection of lapping blocks conducted after final polishing?

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16. Is the valve seat and/or disk checked for optical flatness after lapping? If yes, what is the flatness required?
17. Do you conduct a visual inspection of the valve seat and disk after final polish? Describe the technique used.
18. Who supervises lapping, assembly? (Utility - Vendor)
19. Who performs the assembly and adjustment of the valves? (Utility - Vendor)
20. Is dirt or other foreign matter a problem?
21. Are any special techniques used for assembly? Is verticality maintained throughout assembly?
22. Are the optical flats used for maintenance of these valves in good conditions and calibrated?

TESTING:

23. Where are the valves tested? (Containment, shop, off-site).
24. How often are valves disassembled and tested?
25. How are the valves tested? (Hydro-assist, N₂ Press, steam, in place etc.)

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26. Lift pressure specification?

27. Are the valves heated during testing?
State temperature. Any set-point drift noted?

28. Leak testing pressure: Temp:
Medium (H_2O , N_2 , steam): Leakage specification:
Success?

29. Have the valves ever been tested in place?
Primary press: Temperature: Success?

30. Are there any decontamination problems with these valves?

31. Who supervises the testing?

HANDLING:

32. Are the valves ever shipped by air or freight?
Opinion of handling? Re-work required?

33. What method of handling is used on site?
(Sling, verticality maintained, crate to fork lift used, prevention
of bumping and jolting).

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34. Who supervises handling? (Utility - Vendor - supervisory personnel)

PROCEDURE:

35. Do you have a written maintenance procedure for these valves? If yes, may I obtain a copy?

PIPING ARRANGEMENT:

36. May I obtain a copy of code valve discharge piping drawings including isometrics?

27. Describe your discharge piping arrangement including the following:

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|-----------------------------|--|
| A.) Bellow expansion | E.) Distance from inlet flange to pressurizer? |
| B.) Spring hangers | F.) Describe any cold spring noted during installation or removal. |
| C.) Hydraulic snubbers | |
| D.) Gimbal expansion joints | |

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38. Have you ever installed:

- A.) Thermocouples
- B.) Strain measuring equipment
- C.) Vibration monitoring equipment
- D.) Pipe displacement measuring equipment

If yes, what were the results and what is the opinion with regard to data reliability?

39. State your opinion of your code valve piping arrangement including the following:

- A.) Designed well?
- B.) Eliminates excessive stress?
- C.) Has valve Vendor commented on it?
- D.) Opinion of A/E who designed + installed system?

40. Have there been changes in discharge piping and/or support system since initial installation? If so, when? Why? What is your opinion of before and after such modifications?

41. What is your opinion on the H₂ erosion theory?

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42. What is your opinion of inlet loop seals?

QUESTIONS ABOUT THE VALVE VENDOR:

43. What is your opinion of valve performance?

44. Do you receive good parts support?

45. What Vendor representatives have you been associated with?

46. What is your opinion of their craftsmanship and technical competence?

47. What is your opinion of their availability and co-operation?

48. Has the Vendor made any modifications or material changes? Why? Did this affect performance? Did you agree with the changes made?

49. What is your opinion of the other Vendor? (Cresby-Dresser)
What experience have you had with Crosby-Dresser?

50. Have you ever requested or acquisitioned new valves as spares or replacements? If so, why? What time-lag resulted from such requests?

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51. Do you notify the Vendor each time you have a problem? If yes, what are the results of such notification?

MISCELLANEOUS

52. Have you discussed code valve problems with other utilities. Who?
Problems? Co-operation? Scope of discussion?

53. If you have discussed code valve problems with other utilities, do you believe such discussion and/or visits are useful?

Ed:me

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

TRANSMITTAL SLIP

PLANT STARTUP SERVICE SITE PROBLEM REPORT

ORIGINAL

*** CLEARED ***

TO: _____ For Information
Central Engineering Files
C. C. Plunkett - Contract Admin.
C. M. Fletcher - Quality Assurance
R. G. Burnley - Task Engineer
W. A. Cobb - Sr. Proj. Manager

FILE: 12M7

CONTRACT NO: 620-00 04SPR 222TITLE LEAKING PRESSURIZER
RELIEFS & BLOCK VALVESDATE: 1/29/75

The attached, cleared SPR is submitted for your information.

TO: J. L. Hollis - FLORIDA
E. L. Logan - SMUD
B. L. Day - TOLEDO
R. J. BAKER - O'NEILL
L. C. ROGERS - MET ED
J. A. BAILEY - ARKANSAS

Attached is one copy of Site Problem Report No. 222 which was processed on Contract 620-00 04. Future contracts have been reviewed for the potential of a similar problem. This problem is not considered applicable to other contracts NSS-3 → 14.

REMARKS:

cc: R. E. Kosiba

G. K. WANDLING

NUCLEAR SERVICE SUPPORT ENGINEER
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SITE PROBLEM REPORT

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CUSTOMER	Duke Power Co.	CONTRACT NO	620-004	SPR NO.	222	REV. NO.	0
VENDOR	Daesser	P.O. NO.		TASK NO.	28	GROUP NO.	41
SITE ENGINEER	K J Baker, Jr.	REQ'D. RESOL. DATE	NA	REQ'D. COMP. DATE	NA		
TITLE	Leaking Pressurizer Reliefs and Block Valves						

DESCRIPTION OF PROBLEM

See attached

STATUS - ACTION TO DATE INCLUDING PERSONS CONTACTED

See attached

FURTHER ACTION RECOMMENDED BY SITE PERSONNEL

Duke is handling this problem - No action required at this time.

ORIGINATOR SIGNATURE	DATE	S.G. SIGNATURE	SIGNATURE	DATE
<i>R. J. Baker</i> 1/26/75				
RESOLUTION				
APPROVED BY	SIGNATURE	DATE		
N.S. SUPPORT ENGINEER	<i>M. G. Connell</i>	1-27-75		
TASK ENGINEER	No Eng. Action Required			
PROJECT MANAGER	<i>C. L. Creasy</i>	1-30-75		
COST CATEGORY	<input type="checkbox"/> NORM <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> G <input type="checkbox"/> L		<input type="checkbox"/> VENDOR CLAIM	
AUTH. CHARGE NO	<input type="checkbox"/> FIELD CHANGE REQ		FC NO	
SITE COMPLETION REPORT				
<i>See attached</i>				
DEVIATIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NONE <input type="checkbox"/> SEE SPR REV. NO. _____	<input type="checkbox"/> RECOMMENDED STD'S. CHANGE		
DATE COMPLETED	SIGNED BY	FINAL DISTRIBUTION		
S.O.M./CONSTR. REP. APPROVAL <i>R. J. Baker</i>		PROJECT MANAGER S.O.M./CONST. REP. QA DOC. FILE CENT. ENGR FILE 131.2		
DATE 1/24/75				

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PDS-21091 - SITE PROBLEM REPORT

Initiated by NPG Nuclear Service

- (1) Originator - Fill in: Customer; Contract Number; Vendor; Purchase Order Number; Task Number; Group Number; Sequence Number; Name; Title; Description of Problem; Status; Further Action Recommended by Site Personnel; Originator Signature and Date; Vendor Claim (if applicable).
- (2) Site Operations Manager - Fill in: SPR Number; Revision Number; Req'd. Resol. Date; Req'd. Comp. Date; Approval Signature; Date.
- (3) Nuclear Service Support Engineer - Fill in: Cost Category; Authorized Charge Number.
- (4) Task Engineer - Fill in: Resolution; Recommended Std.'s Change*; (if applicable, FC Req. and FC Number); Signature and Date.

*If recommended standard's change, transmit a copy to cognizant Standard Task Engineer to resolve with Standard Plant Manager.
- (5) Field Engineer - Implement resolution; upon completion, fill in: Completion Report; Date Completed and Signature.

NOTE: If necessary to deviate from the approved SPR, note deviation and submit revised SFR to the Site Operations Manager.
- (6) Site Operations Manager - Approve completion; sign.

Initiated by B&W Construction Company

- (1) Originator - (Same as (1) above)
- (2) Construction Co. Site Representative - (Same as (2) above)
- (3) Project Manager - (Same as (3) above)
- (4) Task Engineer - (Same as (4) above)
- (5) Construction Co. Site Representative - (Same as (5) and (6) above)

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N55-4/SPR-222

Description of Problem

With reactor power at about 100% from the first of the year, the plant had to be shutdown and cooled down on 1/18/75 due to its ground tank temperature being at 230°F.

On 1/7/75 the temperature was at about 200°F and so Duke shut the electro-matic relief valve block (2RC-V2). The tank temperature dropped to 195°F by the next day but slowly started increasing again. Between 1/9/75 and 1/18/75, Duke succeeded in keeping the tank temperature below 215°F (DP-1101-01 limit) by using the Unit 1 and 2 A block held up tank as a source of water to bleed and jet with. This cooled the ground tank to about 205°F but raised the "A" BHVT temperature to about 195°F on Unit 1 and 2. On 1/18/75 the ground tank temperature went to 230°F despite all efforts, and the plant had to be shutdown.

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Status - Action to Date

Nuclear Service in Lynchburg (R.J. McLean II, J.P. Kennedy) informed on morning phone call each day from 1/7/75 until 5/10 on 1/18/75.

Duke made a complete check of all piping leading to the pump tank while the plant was still at hot condition and the following is the result:

1. The thermographs mounted on the discharge piping of the three pressure relief valves were not reading correctly due to not being installed properly or not installed at all.
2. One or both of the pressure code relief valves were leaking through the seat (s).
3. The automatic relief (2RC-RV3) was also leaking through its seat.
4. 2RC-V2 was also leaking through seat because it was not shut completely tight.

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Site Completion Report

Since Unit I was shutdown and Babcock's spare code relief are at the factory, the Cone I code reliefs (RC-RV4A+G) were removed and installed on Cone II. The spare reliefs are to be shipped back to the site before Cone I needs them.

The electronic relief (2RC-RV3) was inspected and found to have two steam cuts on the disc of the valve. Duke replaced 254 slice with spares.

The electronic relief valve block valve (2RC-V2) would not shut tightly because of the old continuing problem of this valve on all B&W units sticking shut at hot conditions (See N55-9/SPR-91). In an attempt to prevent this valve from sticking in the shut position, Duke, sometimes in the past, reduced the torque switch setting. Because of this the valve did not shut tightly enough to prevent leakage. Duke is

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increasing the torque switch setting on this valve
and writing a letter to B&W outlining all the
problem they are having with this valve on Unit.

The thermocouples have been installed
properly on the discharge pipe of the relief and
the plant is presently heating up with no
leakage past the relief noted yet.