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Facility Operating License No. DPR-61

Docket No. 50-213

Reportable Occurrence LER 50-213/89-018-00

Gentlemen:

This letter forwards the Licensee Event Report 89-018-00, required to be submitted, pursuant to the requirements of Connecticut Yankee Technical Specifications.

Very truly yours,

Donald B. Miller, JY. Station Superintendent

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ABSTRACT

Containment penetration local leak rate testing (Type B and C) is being conducted during the 1989 refueling outage in accordance with 10CFR50 Appendix J and Technical Specification 4.4.II.

On September 29, 1989, at approximately 2215, with the plant shutdown in mode 6, containment penetration P-65 (Air Monitor Sample to Containment) Isolation Valve VS-CV-1104 failed its as found Type C local leak rate test. The root cause of the failure has not been determined. The valve will be removed and inspected and the results of the inspection and corrective action will be forwarded in a supplemental report.

This event is reportable per 10CFR50.73(a)(2)(i)(B) since it involves a condition prohibited by the plant's Technical Specifications.

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Containment penetration local leak rate testing (Type B and C) is being conducted during the current refueling outage in accordance with 10CFR50 Appendix J and Technical Specification 4.4.II. This testing is used in conjunction with containment (EIIS Code: JM) integrated leak rate testing (Type A) to assure containment integrity.

The Technical Specification acceptance criteria for the allowable leakage from the sum of all penetration and isolation valve local leak rate tests is 0.6La (650 LB mass/day). La is defined as the maximum allowable leakage rate and is equal to 0.18 weight percent of the contained air per 24 hours at a 40 psig test pressure.

EVENT DESCRIPTION

On September 29, 1989, at approximately 2215, with the plant shutdown in mode 6, containment penetration P-65 (Air Monitor Sample to Containment) Isolation Valve VS-CV-1104 failed the as found Type C local leak rate test with a leak rate in excess of 0.6La (650 LB mass/day). VS-CV-1104 is one of two check valves in series. The second check valve tested in P-65 is VS-CV-1103 which passed the local leak rate test with a leak rate of 3.56 LB mass/day.

CAUSE OF THE EVENT

VS-CV-1104 is a 1" Swing Disc Cneck Valve manufactured by NIBCO. VS-CV-1104 will be removed from the Air Monitor Sample line and inspected to determine the root cause of failure. The results of this inspection will be forwarded in a supplemental report.

SAFETY ASSESSMENT

This event is reportable per 10CFR50.73(a)(2)(i)(B) since it involves a condition prohibited by the plant's Technical Specifications.

VS-CV-1104 and VS-CV-1103 are located in series with respect to the containment, and as such, afford redundant protection.

Since these two valves are located in series, the excessive leakage past VS-CV-1104 would be stopped by VS-CV-1103 before it was able to escape downstream of the penetration. Based on this fact, the excessive leakage past VS-CV-1104 is judged to have limited safety significance.

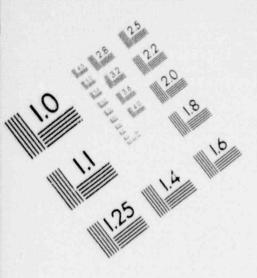
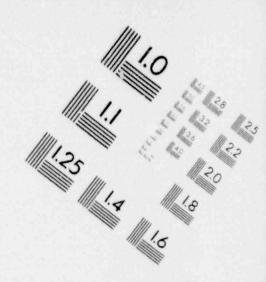
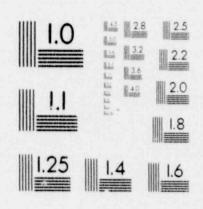
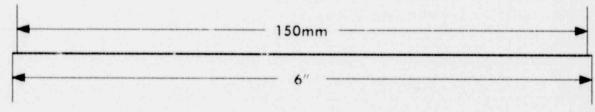


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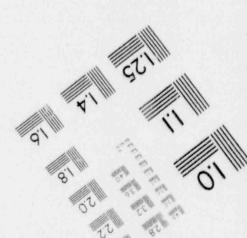






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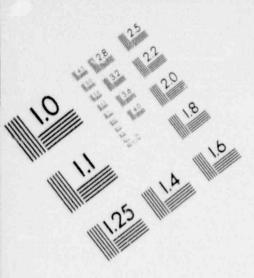
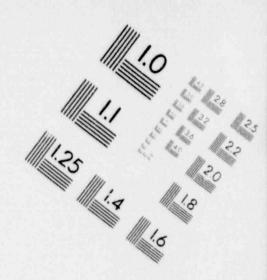
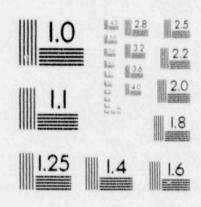
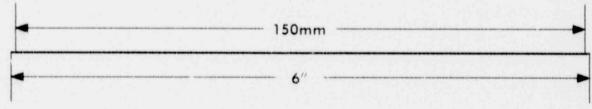


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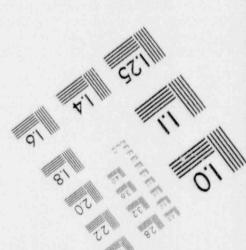






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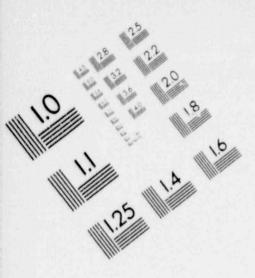
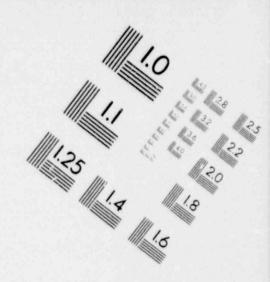
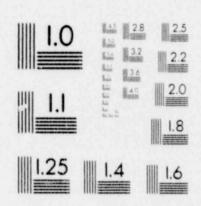
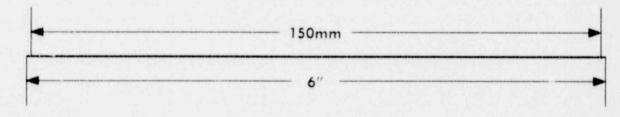


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CORRECTIVE ACTION

The valve will be removed from the Containment Air Monitor line and inspected to determine root cause of failure. The results of this inspection will determine corrective action. Root cause and corrective action information will be forwarded in a supplemental report.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

VS-CV-1104 is a 1 inch, 200 psi, bronze Swing Check valve manufactured at NIBCO.

PREVIOUS SIMILAR EVENTS

LER 87-011

LER 86-006

LER 84-012

LER 83-04-L