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NUCLEAR PRODUCTION DEPARTMENT

August 1, 1980

Office of Inspection & Enforcement  
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Region I  
101 Marietta Street, N.W.  
Suite 3100  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Attention: Mr. J. P. O'Reilly, Director

Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

SUBJECT: Grand Gulf Nuclear Station  
Units 1 and 2  
Docket Nos. 50-416/417  
PRD-80/26, 10CFR21 Report,  
Defective SB-12 Switches  
AECM-80/173

References: 1) AECM-80/128, 6/12/80  
2) AECM-80/152, 7/12/80

On July 10, 1980, Mississippi Power & Light Company sent your office a final report under 10CFR50.55(e) of a deficiency concerning GE Type SB-12 switches. We have since determined that this deficiency is applicable to 10CFR21. A supplemental report containing additional information to the report previously filed under 10CFR50.55(e) is attached.

Yours truly,

*J. P. McGaughy, Jr.*  
for J. P. McGaughy, Jr.  
Assistant Vice President,  
Nuclear Production

WDH:mt  
Attachment

cc: Mr. N. L. Stampley  
Mr. R. B. McGehee  
Mr. T. B. Conner

Mr. Victor Stello, Director  
Division of Inspection & Enforcement  
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20555

80-266-000  
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## 1. Identification of individual(s) informing the NRC:

Name(s):

T. E. Reaves

Telephone call to Virgil Brownlee, NRC, Region II 8/1/80.

Address: Mississippi Power &amp; Light Company, P. O. Box 1640, Jackson, MS 39205

## 2. Identification of entity failing to comply or containing a defect (check appropriate blocks):

GRAND GULF NUCLEAR STATION

Unit 1 ☒Unit 2 ☐Other ☐

(Specify)

3. Supplier: General Electric  
Switchgear Division  
Burlington, Iowa

## 4. Nature of the defect or failure to comply and the safety hazard which is created or could be created by such defect or failure to comply:

See paragraph I & II of Attachment A to MP&L letterAECM-80/152 (attached)5. Date information obtained for this report: 8/1/80

## 6. Additional information for defective components incorporated in other facilities, as applicable:

Facility/LocationNumber in use, supplied for,  
or being supplied

(Not known to MP&amp;L)

7. Corrective Action: See paragraph III of Attachment A to AECM-80/152 (attached)Responsibility: Mississippi Power & Light Quality Assurance Section  
(Name of individual or organization)Time Required To Complete Action: Began 11/14/79; Complete at close of MCAR-GGNS #80  
(estimate 9/80)

## 8. Advice related to the defect or failure to comply about the facility, activity, or basic component that has been, is being, or will be given to purchasers or licensees:

NRC IE Circular No. 79-17 was issued 8/14/79. Also, GE, Installation and  
Service Engineering Division forwarded Service Advice SED(073) No. 330.1  
to Bechtel Power Corporation, AE for GGNS, on 1/14/80.

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POTENTIALLY REPORTABLE DEFICIENCY (PRD)

PRD # 80/26

I. DESCRIPTION: (Include nonconformance document)

See Paragraph I, QA Form 16.20(A), Rev. 3, attached.

II. DETERMINATION OF EFFECT ON SAFE OPERATION OR SUBSTANTIAL SAFETY HAZARD:

See Paragraph II, QA Form 16.20(A), Rev. 3, attached

☐ Could have adversely affected the safe operation of the plant  
or is a substantial safety hazard.

☐ Unable to determine within one working day of receipt

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Organization \_\_\_\_\_

III. EVALUATION OF POTENTIAL REPORTABILITY:

☐ Not Reportable

☐ Reportable

☐ Potentially Reportable  
or Unable to Determine

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Quality Assurance

See Paragraph II, QA Form 16.20(A), Rev. 3, attached

IV. NOTIFICATION TO NRC:

Person Notified:

How Notification  
Was Made:

Notified By:

Date:

See Paragraph III, QA Form 16.20(A), Rev. 3, attached

V. EVALUATION OF REPORTABILITY: Reportable Under

☐ 10CFR50.55(e)

☐ 10CFR21

10CFR21 Use Only-Senior Vice President

VI. RECEIPT OF INFORMATION: Date \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

VII. REPORT TO NRC:

Due Date 6/11/80 7/10/80

Submittal Date 6/12/80 7/10/80

Letter Number AECM-80/128 AECM-80/152

VIII. CORRECTIVE ACTION VERIFICATION:

## POTENTIALLY REPORTABLE DEFICIENCY (PRD)

PRD 80/  
NUMBER 26I. DESCRIPTION:

As a result of investigation based on IE Circular 79/17, Bechtel has identified eight (8) switchgear units containing defective SB-12 switches. Each switchgear is furnished with two (2) SB-12 switches. The switches contain an intermittent contact problem which will cause a lack of continuity through the contact of the switch used to energize the trip coil of the circuit breaker. The switchgear units are used in the 6.9 KV system used for controlling the recirculating pumps.

Initiated By: *for W.E. Edge* T. E. Reaves, Jr.

Organization: MP&amp;L

Date: 5/12/80

II. EVALUATION OF POTENTIAL REPORTABILITY:

## Rationale:

The potential exists that, should the condition remain uncorrected, it could adversely affect the safety of operations of the Nuclear Power Plant.

## Concurrence:

	Yes	No	Initial	Date
Manager QA	X		WEE	5/12/80
Project Mgr.	X		J.R. LFD	5/12/80

See Attachment "A"

+ Dir. of Pwr Prod.

III. NOTIFICATION TO NRC: Person Notified: M. Hunt

How Notification Was Made: Telephone

Notified By: *AR* A. Ramey

Date: 5/12/80

IV. EVALUATION OF REPORTABILITY:

## Rationale:

## Concurrence:

	Yes	No	Initial	Date
Manager QA				
Project Mgr.				
+ Dir. of Pwr Prod.				

V. REPORT TO NRC:

Due Date: 6/11/80

Submitted Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Letter Number: \_\_\_\_\_

VI. CORRECTIVE ACTION VERIFICATION:

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

+ Required should agreement not be reached between Mgr QA and Project Mgr.

Attachment "A" to PRD 80/26

The use of SB-12 switches in this particular application would have no adverse impact on plant safety since they are used in non-safety related switch gear. Therefore, this specific deficiency is not reportable under 10 CFR 50.55(e). However, since adverse impact may result from other applications, as yet unknown, this deficiency is considered to be potentially reportable and requires evaluation of its generic implications, if any.

*John D. Reichman for L.F. Dule.*  
5/12/80

*W. E. Edge for T.E. Reeves*  
5/12/80



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July 10, 1980

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Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

SUBJECT: Grand Gulf Nuclear Station  
Units 1 and 2  
Docket Nos.. 50-416/417  
File 0260/15525/15526  
PRD-80/26, Final Report, Defective  
SB-12 Switches (Ref.: AECM-80/  
128, June 12, 1980)  
AECM-80/152

On May 12, 1980, Mississippi Power & Light Company notified Mr. M. Hunt of your office of a Potentially Reportable Deficiency (PRD) at the Grand Gulf Nuclear Station (GGNS) construction site. The deficiency concerns CE Type SB-12 switches.

We have since determined this deficiency to be reportable within the meaning of 10CFR50.55(e). Details are described in the attached final report. We are evaluating the applicability of 10CFR21 and will submit a report upon completion.

Yours truly,

For J. P. McGaughy, Jr.  
Assistant Vice President,  
Nuclear Production

ATR:mt  
Attachment

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Mr. L. F. Dale  
Mr. C. K. McCoy  
Mr. W. L. Nail

Mr. T. H. Cloninger  
Mr. R. A. Ambrosino  
Mr. C. L. Tyrone  
PRD File  
File

Dupe 8007170396



FINAL REPORT, PRD-80/26

I. Description of Deficiency

Defective SB-12 switches identified in IE Circular 79-17 were found to be installed in switchgear supplied by the vendor. The defect is an intermittent contact problem which will cause lack of continuity through the "a" contact of the switch that is used to energize the trip coil of the circuit breaker.

II. Safety Implications

The SB-12 switches are used in the circuit breakers of the 6.9 KV switchgear units which control the reactor recirculation pumps. The safety function of the breaker is to trip on a signal from the Reactor Protection System. The postulated failure of the SB-12 switch would prevent the energizing of the trip coil thereby preventing the breaker from fulfilling its intended safety function.

III. Corrective Action Taken

The vendor will furnish new SB-12 switches to correct the condition and preclude recurrence.

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