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Narrative Report  
for LER 50-366/1981-052

On 6-11-81, at 0020 with the mode switch in RUN during a power increase following BOP problems associated with condenser vacuum the reactor engineer observed the CMFLPD was greater than F RTP. Attempts were made to change the overall power with respect to local power in the area of high peaking by changing recirc flow. After updating the base distribution and obtaining a computer analysis the CMFLPD/F RTP ratio was still excessive; at this point the two-hour time limit required by Tech Specs 3.2.2 had expired. Rod groups in the region of high peaking were inserted to suppress the excessive peaks, TIP traces were obtained in the adjacent and failed channels, and a computer analysis was demanded. The computer analysis revealed the CMFLPD/F RTP ratio to be acceptable at 0421 hours.

There were no effects upon public health and safety due to this event. This event is repetitive as last reported on LER 50-366/1981-003.

Adjusting core flow or the rod pattern to change core parameters is an iterative process involving rod movements, TIP scans, and processing of the data by the computer to calculate the new values. In some cases, as above, these changes are insufficient to allow APRM adjustments, and sufficient time to correct the problem does not exist.

All reactor engineers have been informed of the details of the event with suggestions to preclude further recurrence.