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January 14, 1981

Mr. Boyce H. Grier
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Office of Inspection and Enforcement
Region 1
631 Park Avenue
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Dear Mr. Grier:

LICENSE NO. DPR-70
DOCKET NO. 50-272
REPORTABLE OCCURRENCE 80-68/03L

Pursuant to the requirements of Salem Generating Station Unit No. 1 Technical Specifications, Section 6.9.1, we are submitting Licensee Event Report for Reportable Occurrence 80-68/03L. This report is required within thirty (30) days of the occurrence.

Sincerely yours,

R. A. Uderitz
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General Manager -
Nuclear Production

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Report Number: 80-68/03L
Report Date: January 14, 1981
Occurrence Date: 12/20/80
Facility: Salem Generating Station, Unit 1
Public Service Electric & Gas Company
Hancocks Bridge, NJ 08038

IDENTIFICATION OF OCCURRENCE:

Containment Air Lock Inoperable

CONDITIONS PRIOR TO OCCURRENCE:

Mode 3

DESCRIPTION OF OCCURRENCE:

While performing a routine surveillance SP(O) 4.6.1.3 of the 100' Containment Air Lock, it was determined the leak rate exceeded its Technical Specification limit of 0.05 La at a design pressure of 47.0 psig. At 0415 hours, Action Statement 3.6.1.3 was entered which requires with an air lock inoperable, restore the air lock to operable status within 24 hours or be in at least Hot Standby within the next 6 hours and in Cold Shutdown within the following 30 hours.

DESIGNATION OF APPARENT CAUSE OF OCCURRENCE:

The inner door seal would not hold pressure.

ANALYSIS OF OCCURRENCE:

Upon investigation, it was determined the inner door seal had popped out of its channel and so could not maintain pressure.

CORRECTIVE ACTION:

The seals on the inner door were adjusted and tested satisfactorily. Action Statement 3.6.1.3 was terminated at 0537 hours on December 20, 1980.

FAILURE DATA:

Containment Personnel Air Lock
Chicago Bridge and Iron Company

Prepared By W. J. Steele

SORC Meeting No. 81-01

W. J. Steele
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