



Attachment To LER 80-68/03L  
Beaver Valley Power Station  
Duquesne Light Company  
Docket No. 80-334

At 1637 hours on September 17, 1980 while performing a test on the "C" Charging Pump [CH-P-1C], it was noted that the bearing temperatures were increasing and the pump was shut down. Subsequent investigation revealed that two check valves [RW-158] and [RW-159] on the "B" and "A" River Water headers supply lines to the charging pumps oil coolers were installed backward. The "B" header check valve [RW-158] was repositioned correctly and [CH-P-1C] was tested successfully and declared operable at 0100 hours on September 18, 1980. [RW-159] was repositioned at a later date because the "A" river water header was out of service at the time and not needed.

The plant was in a shutdown condition and the Boric Acid Supply and Low Head Safety Injection Pumps were available to provide Reactor Coolant System makeup. Therefore, the health and safety of the public was not endangered.

The problem of mispositioned check valves started in April of 1980 (see LER 80-027) when the valves were removed for inspection. The valve internals were deficient so the valve bodies were returned to the system to restore system integrity with no concern for orientation nor any consequences therefrom. When new valves were obtained, they were installed in place of the old valve bodies with particular attention to orienting the valves the same way as the bodies which were removed. It just so happened, the old bodies were installed backwards. In the future, operating personnel will assist maintenance in determining check valve orientation when re-installing valves into systems.