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SUBJECT:

DAILY HIGHLIGHT

R. E. GINNA

Mr. John Oberlies, Vice President of RG&E held a press conference late Friday afternoon, February 19, 1982, to give an update on the recovery activities at the Ginna Plant. In addition to the information reported in the daily highlight of February 19, Mr. Oberlies reported that RG&E plans to cut a 2 1/2 inch hole in the "B" Steam Generator (S/G) at the location of the ruptured tube. In order to determine the failure mechanism, 4 tubes will be removed in that area between the tube sheet and first support plate for metalurgical examination. An additional 8 damaged peripherial tubes are also slated for removal.

There are an additional 13 tubes in the number 4 wedge area that RG&E believes require stabilization. This will be accomplished by cutting the plugged tubes at the bend at the top of the bundle on the secondary side, A flexible stabilizer will be inserted in the tube, down into the tube sheet until an expander bolt is located within the top support plate where it will be secured. In the number 5 wedge area, 4 damaged tubes will be stabilized by drilling out the existing plugs from the primary side and inserting a stabilizer/plug into each of the subject tubes to replug the tube.

Inspection of the "A" S/G was completed by T.V. camera over the weekend. No damaged tubes were detected, however two foreign objects have been found. One appears to be a piece of wire while the other is a piece of metal approximately 2" x 1" x 1/2". RG&E is reviewing video tapes of the "A" S/G inspection and is making plans for retrieving the objects.

A meeting between the NRC staff and RG&E is planned for March 2, 1982. This meeting will be for the purpose of updating the staff on the recovery activities at Ginna.

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