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Ford Nuclear Reactor
Phoenix Memorial Laboratory
2301 Bonisteel Boulevard

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Docket 50-2
License R-28

United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attn: Charles Cox
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Dear Mr. Cox:

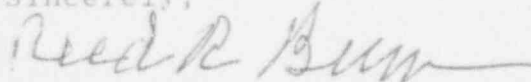
This letter is to inform you of a minor occurrence at the Ford Nuclear Reactor that was not evaluated as a reportable occurrence in accordance with Technical Specifications.

On February 24, 1993, during a routine shutdown margin and excess reactivity check following shim-safety and control rod calibrations, the shim-safety rod control switch failed. The switch could not be placed in the insert position. The reactor was just critical.

The reactor was shutdown by inserting the control rod and depressing the manual scram button to insert the shim-safety rods.

The shim-safety rod control switch was removed, repaired, and tested satisfactorily. Following a pre-startup checkout, the reactor was brought to power in the normal way to begin a ten-day cycle.

Sincerely,



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