



SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Report No.: 50-302/81-026/03L-0

Facility: Crystal River Unit 3

Report Date: May 18, 1981

Occurrence Date: April 23, 1981

Identification of Occurrence:

Snubber EFH-109 was discovered to be inoperable. This created an event not attributed to a specific shutdown activity as required by Regulatory Guide 1.16 and, therefore, is reportable as being contrary to Technical Specification 3.7.9.1.

Conditions Prior to Occurrence:

Mode 5 cold shutdown (0%).

Description of Occurrence:

While evaluating a snubber (EFH-109) that had been removed and replaced during maintenance activities on April 20, 1981, it was discovered that it had been inoperable during use.

Designation of Apparent Cause:

The cause of this event may be attributed to air entrapment in the snubber, which caused a high fluid level indication. The air entrapment could prevent the snubber from performing its design function.

Analysis of Occurrence:

There was no effect upon the health or safety of the general public.

Corrective Action:

The snubber was Power Piping Model 1900. An Engineering investigation was initiated to determine if air entrapment was the cause of snubber inoperability. (REI 81-5-24)

Failure Data:

This was the first occurrence of this type and this is the fourth event reported under this Specification.

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