



ATTACHMENT TO LER#82-025/03L-0

SUPPLEMENT TO CAUSE DESCRIPTION

THE MIGRATION OF ICE MASS AWAY FROM THE CRANE WALL OCCURRED DUE TO TEMPERATURE GRADIENT INDUCED AIR CURRENTS. THESE TEMPERATURE GRADIENTS ARE DUE TO THE PROXIMITY OF THE CRANE WALL TO THE STEAM GENERATORS. AS THIS MECHANISM WAS APPARENT FROM PREVIOUS DATA, SOME MIGRATION OF ICE MASS WAS EXPECTED. HOWEVER, THE MAGNITUDE WAS HIGHER THEN PREDICTED.

PRIOR TO ICE BASKET WEIGHING, A TOTAL OF 17 AIR HANDLER UNITS WERE INOPERABLE. 9 OF THE INOPERABLE AIR HANDLERS WERE IN GROUP 2, WITH 5 ALONG THE GROUP 2 CRANE WALL AND 4 ALONG THE GROUP 2 CONTAINMENT WALL. AS A RESULT OF THE LARGE NUMBER OF INOPERABLE AIR HANDLERS, PARTICULARLY IN THE GROUP 2 CRANE WALL AREA, THE MIGRATION LOSS WAS LARGER THEN EXPECTED IN THIS REGION. THE REASON FOR THE LARGE NUMBEF OF INOPERABLE AIR HANDLERS WAS DUE TO THE HIGH AIRBORNE RADIOACTIVITY CONCENTRATION IN CONTAINMENT WHICH, AS A RESULT OF ALARA PRACTICES, PREVENTED MAINTENANCE DURING UNIT OPERATION. ALL AIR HANDLERS WERE REPAIRED AND RETURNED TO SERVICE PRIOR TO THE UNIT STARTUP. ICE MASS WAS ADDED TO THOSE BASKETS NOT MEETING TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION MINIMUM LIMITS. ICE WAS ADDED TO BOTH THE TOP AND BOTTOM OF THE BASKETS, REQUIRING SIGNIFICANT EFFORT IN DEVELOPING THE ICE ADDITION METHOD.

TO PREVENT RECURRENCE A PROGRAM HAS BEEN INSTITUTED TO MONITOR AIR HANDLER AND GLYCOL CHILLER PERFORMANCE DAILY. ANY DEGRADATION IN REFRIGERATION CAPACITY WILL BE IDENTIFIED AND CORRECTIVE ACTION TAKEN AS PERMITTED BY ALARA PRACTICES. FURTHERMORE, A TASK FORCE WILL BE FORMED TO REVIEW METHODS FOR FURTHER REDUCTION OF SUBLIMATION RATES IN ALL ROWS AND SPECIFICALLY THOSE NEAREST THE CRANE WALL. THIS TASK FORCE WILL ALSO EVALUATE REQUIRED ICE BASKET MINIMUM WEIGHT REQUIREMENTS AND REFINEMENT OF ICE MASS ADDITION TECHNIQUES.