

LER SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

BFRO-50- 259 / 82029 Technical Specification Involved 3.7.B.3

Reported Under Technical Specification 6.7.2.b(2) * Date Due NRC 5/27/82

Event Narrative:

Unit 1 was operating at 98-percent power; unit 2 was operating at 91-percent power; unit 3 was in a turbine maintenance outage. During normal operation, at 1445 hours on April 28, 1982, "C" train of standby gas treatment (SBGT) was declared inoperable following performance of SI 4.7.B-3, Standby Gas Treatment Flow Distribution Test. The Technical Specification 4.7.B.1.c requirement that air flow distribution be uniform with 20 percent across each train's HEPA filters was not met. "A" and "B" SBGT trains were verified operable per SI 4.7.B-1, Standby Gas Treatment Operability, and a 7-day limiting condition (LCO) for operation was initiated.

Investigation revealed that the roughing filters, prefilters, and upstream bank of HEPA filters were loaded with sand and debris associated with sandblasting operations from torus modification activities. "C" SBGT train-roughing filters were replaced. Flow, flow distribution, and DOP tests, SIs 4.7.B-7, 4.7.B-3, and 4.7.B-4 respectively, were performed satisfactorily and "C" SBGT train was returned to service within the 7-day LCO.

"A" and "B" SBGT trains were subsequently removed from service and the necessary filters replaced. These trains were tested and returned to service. Neither the "A" or "B" SBGT trains failed surveillance requirements before filter replacements. The filter replacements in these trains were based on visual inspections only. All three SBGT trains will be visually inspected subsequent to the upcoming unit 2 torus modification sandblasting to verify that excessive sand and debris from torus modification-related activities are not deposited on the SBGT filters. Additionally a caution order will be placed on unit 2 SBGT to reactor building ventilation exhaust dampers to prevent these dampers from being used for surveillance-related purposes during sandblasting operations.

* Previous Similar Events:

NONE

Retention: Period - Lifetime; Responsibility - Document Control Supervisor

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