

LICENSEE EVENT REPORT

CONTROL BLOCK: 1

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE ALL REQUIRED INFORMATION)

1 A L B R F 1 2 0 0 - 0 0 0 0 0 - 0 0 3 4 1 1 1 1 4 5

REPORT SOURCE: L 6 0 5 0 0 0 2 5 9 7 0 3 1 0 8 2 8 0 4 0 8 8 2 9

EVENT DESCRIPTION AND PROBABLE CONSEQUENCES 10

1 2 During a normal reactor startup, the calculated R factor (FRP/CMFLPD) was less than the R factor used to set the APRM scram and rod block for 34 minutes in excess of the six hours allowed by tech specs (T.S. 3.5.L.2 & 3). There was no danger to the health or safety of the public in that the APRM scram value (calculated) was not exceeded. There is no redundant system.

SYSTEM CODE: I A 11
 CAUSE CODE: X 17
 CAUSE SUBCODE: Z 13
 COMPONENT CODE: Z Z Z Z Z Z Z 14
 COMP SUBCODE: Z 15
 VALVE SUBCODE: Z 16
 LER NO: 8 2
 EVENT YEAR: 8 2
 SEQUENTIAL REPORT NO.: 0 1 9
 OCCURRENCE CODE: 0 3
 REPORT TYPE: L
 REVISION NO.: 0
 ACTION TAKEN: X 18
 FUTURE ACTION: G 19
 EFFECT ON PLANT: Z 20
 SHUTDOWN METHOD: Z 21
 HOURS: 0 0 0 0
 ATTACHMENT SUBMITTED: Y 23
 NRPD 4 FORM SUB: N 24
 PRIME COMP. SUPPLIER: Z 25
 COMPONENT MANUFACTURER: Z 9 9 9 9

CAUSE DESCRIPTION AND CORRECTIVE ACTIONS 27

1 0 The RWM sequence in use was not optimum for current core loading and allowed excessive power peaking during startup. At the end of the initial 6-hour period, control rod insertion was initiated. The initial insertion brought "R" within required limits. The RWM sequence has been revised to reduce power peaking during startup.

FACILITY STATUS: C 28
 % POWER: 0 7 2 29
 OTHER STATUS: NA 30
 METHOD OF DISCOVERY: A 31
 DISCOVERY DESCRIPTION: Monitoring of reactor parameters 32
 ACTIVITY RELEASED: Z 33
 CONTENT OF RELEASE: Z 34
 AMOUNT OF ACTIVITY: NA 35
 LOCATION OF RELEASE: NA 36
 PERSONNEL EXPOSURES: 0 0 0 10
 TYPE: Z 38
 DESCRIPTION: NA 39
 PERSONNEL INJURIES: 0 0 0 10
 DESCRIPTION: NA 41
 LOSS OF OR DAMAGE TO FACILITY: Z 42
 TYPE: NA 43

PUBLICITY: N 44
 DESCRIPTION: NA 45
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LER SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

BFRO-50- 259 / 82019 Technical Specification Involved 3.5.L.2 & 3

Reported Under Technical Specification 6.7.2.b.(2) * Date Due NRC 4/9/82

Event Narrative:

Unit 2 was operating at 99% power; unit 3 was in a refueling outage. These units were unaffected by this event. With unit 1 having reached 70% power during a normal reactor startup, the shift nuclear engineer noted, through normal core performance monitoring, that the calculated "R" (FRP/CMFLPD) of 0.837 was less than the R which had been used prior to startup to set the APRM rod blocks and scram setpoints (0.985) in anticipation of normal initial power peaking. Although core flux shaping procedures improved the calculated R to 0.927 within the allotted T.S. period of 6 hours.

At the end of the 6-hour period, control rod insertion was initiated. The initial insertion of shallow rods brought "R" within required limits with very little change in core thermal power. Reduction to less than 25% of rated thermal power was therefore not required. The RWM sequence has been revised to reduce power peaking during future startup.

* Previous Similar Events:

BFRO 50-260/8137; 296/8145, 8141, 8140

Retention: Period - Lifetime; Responsibility - Document Control Supervisor

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