

ALR

5



Alabama Power

REGISTRATION DIVISION
P. O. Drawer 470
Ashford, AL 36312
September 25, 1978
ENR-78-1064

Mr. J. P. O'Reilly, Director
United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Office of Inspection and Enforcement
Region II
230 Peachtree Street, N.W.
Suite 1217
Atlanta, GA 30303

SUBJECT: Reportable Occurrence (LER 78-062/01T-0) Missing Seismic Pipe
Restraint on Main Feedwater Line

Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

This is to confirm the notification made to Mr. A. K. Hardin by Mr. W. G. Hairston at approximately 1645 on September 22, 1978 regarding a possible condition, as described in Technical Specification 6.9.1.8.i.

On September 19, 1978, during an inspection of Class I and II pipe restraints and snubbers by Teledyne/Bechtel/SCSI personnel as part of an NRC staff evaluation, it was noted that main feedwater line lateral seismic restraint FW-H49 was not in place. Joseph M. Farley Unit 1 was in cold shutdown at the time of the inspection. A review of on-site documentation was initiated to determine if the restraint had been deleted or relocated. This review indicated that the restraint was in place prior to December 16, 1976. It was not determined when the restraint was removed. Concurrent with the documentation search, a preliminary seismic evaluation was performed by Bechtel indicating that the system may perform satisfactorily without the restraint. However, a more rigorous evaluation would have to be performed to verify this.

On September 21, 1978 Bechtel/SCSI notified the Plant Staff that the restraint was missing and no authorization could be located for its removal. Further conversation with SCSI on September 22, 1978 indicated that a detailed evaluation concerning the need for this restraint would take one to three weeks. Based on this estimate, Mr. Hairston called Mr. Hardin, as noted above, to make him aware of this condition.

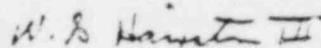
13 SEP 29 PM 3 11

ALABAMA POWER

7810270311 S

Lateral seismic restraint FW-H49 is being reinstalled. An investigation is in progress to attempt to determine when and why the restraint was removed. During the inspection of restraints by Teledyne/Rechtcl/SCSI, no other restraints were found missing. Any further action will be documented in the Licensee Event Report to follow.

Sincerely yours,



W. G. Hairston, III
Plant Manager
Joseph M. Farley Nuclear Plant

WGH/TCG:jh

cc: File