## EVENT DESCRIPTION AND PROBABLE CONSEQUENCES

During eddy current testing, while determining base line data, 15 tubes in No. 1 and 12 tubes in No. 4 steam generator had > 40% wall degradation. With two of the tubes in No. 1 steam generator found to be leaking. All the defects were located between ½" and 4" above the tube sheet, with one exception. Tube J-2 in steam generator No. 4 was found to have a defect 27" above the tube sheet. These defects constitute a degradation of the primary coolant pressure boundry and as such is required to be reported by T.S. 6.9.4.a.(3). As a result of the two leaking tubes in No. 1 steam generator primary coolant was introduced into the secondary side water inventory and then released to the environment. Tube defects were reported under a similar base line testing in LER 77-37 and its supplemental report.

There were previously 26 tubes plugged in No. 1 steam generator and 30 plugged in No. 4 steam generator out of the 1620 tubes per generator. The tube defects were random degradation of steam generator tubes, although the defects seem to be somewhat location dependant. Only two of the total 27 tubes had actually failed, resulting in a primary to secondary leak rate of approximately 125 gallons per day during plant operation just prior to the Core XIV refueling outage. The Technical Specification limit for primary to secondary leakage is 1 gallon per minute (1440) gallons per day). Therefore, this occurrence did not present a threat to health and safety of the public, plant personnel or plant equipment.

## CAUSE DESCRIPTION AND CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

The root cause of this occurrence is unknown at this time and if determined will be reported in a supplemental report. The steam generators are 13,430 sq. ft., design pressure 2500 psia on primary and 1050 psia on secondary sides, vertical type, manufactured by Westinghouse Corporation. The degradation of the tubes was the result of reduced wall thickness. The J2 tube degradation is believed to be a manufacturing defect. The tubes were explosively plugged on November 12 and 13. Three extra tubes, two in No. 1 steam generator and one in No. 4 steam generator were inadvertantly plugged with the correction performed on November 13 and 18, 1978.

## ACTIVITY CONTENT

The estimated released activity due to the two leaking tubes in No. 1 steam generator from August 28, 1977 to October 24, 1978 was as follows:

Noble Gases 120 Curies Primary Vent Stack to Atmosphere

Tritium 10 Curies S/G Blowdown to River

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Iodine-131 Iodine-133 Cesium-134	1.6E-2 Curie 5E-3 Curie 2E-4 Curie	S/G Blowdown to River S/G Blowdown to River S/G Blowdown to River
Cesium-137 Zirconium-95	3E-4 Curie 5E-6 Curie	S/G Blowdown to River S/G Blowdown to River
Chromium-51 Cobalt-60	4E-6 Curie 4E-7 Curie	S/G Blowdown to River S/G Blowdown to River
Silver-110m	1E-7 Curie	S/G Blowdown to River

## PERSONNEL EXPOSURES

The maximum dose rate to which any one of the workers was exposed, categories of the workers, number of exposed in each category, and estimated total man-rem dose received by each category were as follows:

- A. Maximum Dose Rate to Any Person 13 R/HR.
- B. Dose by Personnel Category:

CATEGORY	MAINT.	ENG.	H.P.	DECON.
Number				
of personnel	66	18	24	8
*Dose (Rem)	19 436	15.758	8.150	4.135

\*The dose included as a result of degraded tubes was tallied from Radiation Work Permits. This dose is measured by pocket ion chambers and may be considered as the best estimate achievable. These doses were tallied for the following jobs:

Dose as a result of degraded tubes. This includes:

- a. Opening and closing #1 S/G manways
- b. Hydro on #1 S/G and inspection
- c. Installation of blast nozzle covers
- d. Cleaning, marking, and verification of tubes
- e. Miscellaneous preparation for blasting and support of blasting and support of blasting. (Not including H.P.)
- f. H.P. coverage of all categories
- g. Explosive weld repair