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DOCKET NO. 50-409

Mr. James G. Keppler, Regional Administrator
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Directorate of Regulatory Operations
Region III
799 Roosevelt Road
Glen Ellyn, Illinois 60137

SUBJECT: DAIRYLAND POWER COOPERATIVE
LA CROSSE BOILING WATER REACTOR (LACBWR)
PROVISIONAL OPERATING LICENSE NO. DPR-45
REPORTABLE OCCURRENCE NO. 82-17

REFERENCES: (1) LACBWR Technical Specifications, Section 6.9.1.9.b
(2) LACBWR Technical Specifications, Section 4.2.18.4

Dear Mr. Keppler:

In accordance with Reference 1, this is to notify you of conditions leading to operation in a degraded mode permitted by a limiting condition for operation.

Reference 2 requires, in part, that the Containment Building Basement fire hose station be operable during all operational conditions.

At approximately 0442 on September 26, 1982, the Duty Shift Supervisor noticed the High Pressure Service Water (HPSW) Containment Isolation Valve (75-25-002) indicated closed. Other personnel had observed open indication for the valve several minutes earlier. The valve was reopened, but it closed again. An operator investigated and found an air leak at a fitting on the valve operator air supply line. The valve requires air to open so it will fail safe and maintain containment integrity on a loss of air. The valve was reopened at approximately 0525 and remained open. Tightening of the air supply line fitting was completed at 0703.

While the HPSW Containment Isolation Valve was closed, the Containment Building basement fire hose station was isolated from its water supply. As stated above, the valve was reopened in less than one hour, so a backup fire hose did not need to be routed to the Containment Building. Fire extinguishers are located in the Containment Building and would have provided some fire fighting capability, if necessary. No fire occurred while the isolation valve was closed. The plant was in the cold shutdown condition during this event.

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The HPSW Containment Isolation Valve had performed properly on August 23, 1982 during a surveillance test.

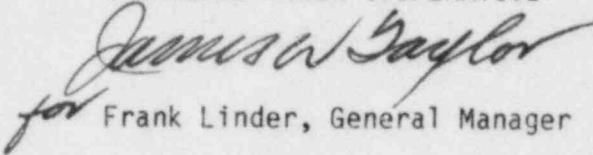
No further corrective action is considered necessary.

A Licensee Event Report (Reference Regulatory Guide 1.16, Revision 4) is enclosed.

If there are any questions, please contact us.

Yours truly,

DAIRYLAND POWER COOPERATIVE


for Frank Linder, General Manager

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