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BRUNSWICK STEAM ELECTRIC PLANT UNIT 1  
DOCKET NO. 50-325  
LICENSE NO. DRP-71  
LICENSEE EVENT REPORT 1-91-017

Gentlemen:

In accordance with Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations, the enclosed Licensee Event Report is submitted. This report fulfills the requirement for a written report within thirty (30) days of a reportable occurrence and is submitted in accordance with the format set forth in NUREG-1022, September 1983.

Very truly yours,

J. W. Spencer, General Manager  
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EXPIRES: 4/30/92

ESTIMATED BURDEN PER RESPONSE TO COMPLY WITH THIS INFORMATION COLLECTION REQUEST: 50.0 HRS. FORWARD COMMENTS REGARDING BURDEN ESTIMATE TO THE RECORDS AND REPORTS MANAGEMENT BRANCH (P-530), U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION, WASHINGTON, DC 20555, AND TO THE PAPER/WORK REDUCTION PROJECT (3150-0104), OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, WASHINGTON, DC 20503.

## LICENSEE EVENT REPORT (LER)

FACILITY NAME (1) Brunswick Steam Electric Plant  
Unit 1DOCKET NUMBER (2)  
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TITLE (4) RWCU Isolation on Failure of Nonregenerative Heat Exchanger Temperature Switch

EVENT DATE (5)			LER NUMBER (6)				REPORT DATE (7)			OTHER FACILITIES INVOLVED (8)	
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COMPLETE ONE LINE FOR EACH COMPONENT FAILURE DESCRIBED IN THIS REPORT (13)

CAUSE	SYSTEM	COMPONENT	MANUFACTURER	REPORTABLE TO NPROS	CAUSE	SYSTEM	COMPONENT	MANUFACTURER	REPORTABLE TO NPROS
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SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT EXPECTED (14)							EXPECTED SUBMISSION	MONTH	DAY	YEAR
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ABSTRACT (Limit to 1400 spaces, i.e. approximately fifteen single space typewritten lines) (16)

On July 6, 1991, with Unit 1 at 100% power, the Reactor Water Cleanup System (RWCU) Inlet Outboard Isolation Valve (1-G31-F004) auto closed when the Non Regenerative Heat Exchanger Outlet temperature was sensed to be 135° F. The Control Operator shut the RWCU Inlet Inboard Isolation Valve (1-G31-F001), which does not receive an auto closure from this signal, to ensure the line was isolated. An Auxiliary Operator found the indicator for temperature switch/transmitter 1-G31-TS-N008 pegged upscale.

While this temperature switch/transmitter (1-G31-TS-N008) does not provide a Technical Specification Primary Containment Isolation System (PCIS) signal it does actuate one of the RWCU PCIS Group 3 isolation valves (1-G31-F004).

Investigation by Instrumentation and Control technicians determined that the temperature switch/transmitter had failed due to an internal fault. With 1-G31-TS-N008 replaced and calibrations completed, at 0450 on July 7, 1991 Operations unisolated RWCU to return it to service.

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TEXT CONTINUATION**

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INITIAL CONDITIONS

On July 6, 1991, at 0719, Unit 1 was at 100% power with RWCU in service.

EVENT NARRATIVE

The Unit 1 Control Room Operators responded to an annunciator for "NON REGEN HX DISCH HIGH TEMP" (setpoint @ 135° F) and the associated automatic closure of the RWCU Inlet Outboard Isolation Valve (1-G31-F004). There was no other indication in the Control Room that confirmed this as a valid isolation signal. Investigation by Auxiliary Operators in the Reactor Building found the indicator for temperature switch/transmitter 1-G31-TS-N008 pegged upscale and no other abnormal conditions that would be expected with this type of event. Instrumentation and Control Technicians determined that the Fenwal Inc. model #551 temperature switch/transmitter (1-G31-TS-N008) had failed due to an internal fault. With the temperature switch/transmitter replaced and the calibrations completed, Operations unisolated RWCU to return it to service at 0450 on July 7, 1991.

CAUSE OF EVENT

Due to an internal fault temperature switch/transmitter 1-G31-TS-N008 failed upscale. This appears to be an isolated failure for this temperature switch/transmitter, though it has been replaced in the past due to not being able to meet calibration requirements.

CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

Temperature switch/transmitter 1-G31-TS-N008 was replaced and RWCU returned to service.

SAFETY ASSESSMENT

This event does not present a safety concern. The RWCU system responded as designed with the automatic closure of the RWCU Inlet Outboard Isolation Valve (1-G31-F004). Failure of the temperature switch/transmitter (1-G31-TS-N008) is not safety significant since its function is to protect the RWCU filter demineralizer resin from over temperature conditions.

PREVIOUS SIMILAR EVENTS

There have been closure events due to valid high temperatures but none because of this components failure.

EIIS COMPONENT IDENTIFICATIONSystem/ComponentEIIS Code

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RWCU/Temperature Transmitter

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