Tennessee Valley Authority Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant

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BFRO-50-296/79005 R2 Technical Specification Involved 3.5.C.3 and 3.5.C.5
Reported Under Technical Specification 6.7.2.A.2
Date of Occurrence 5/6/79 Time of Occurrence 1300 Unit 3
Identification and Description of Occurrence
The RHR service water supply to the 2B RHR heat exchanger was isolated for maintenance. The isolation of the water supply also isolated the stardby coolant supply to unit 3.
Conditions Prior to Occurrence:
Unit 2 - refueling outage in progress. Unit 3 - operating normally at 75% power.
Action specified in the Technical Specification Surveillance Requirements met due to inoperable equipment. Describe
Place the unit in cold shutdown within 24 hours.
Apparent Cause of Occurrence:
The isolation of the water supply for maintenance was the direct cause; however, lack of administrative controls over cross-connect valves was the proximate cause of the accident.
Analysis of Occurrence: There was no hazard to the public health or safety.

Corrective Action

Upon discovery of the standby coolant supply isolation, action was immediately taken to restore the heat exchanger and the standby coolant was returned to service in four hours. The standby coolant supply valve was painted a distinctive color and strict administrative controls imposed on its operation. A revision was made to the technical specification for standby coolant supply to allow removal of the standby coolant supply for up to 10 days. This allows ample time for performing maintenance during future outages.

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April 27, 1984

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Mr. James P. O'Reilly, Regional Administrator U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Region II 101 Marietta Street, Suite 3100 Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. O'Reilly:

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY - BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT UNIT 3 - DOCKET NO. 50-296 - FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE DPR-68 - REPORTABLE OCCURRENCE REPORT BFR0-50-296/79005 R2

The enclosed report provides followup information concerning isolation of RHR service water supply to the 2B RHR heat exchanger for maintenance. This report is submitted in accordance with Browns Ferry Unit 3 Technical Specification 6.7.2.A.2.

Very truly yours,

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

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Enclosure

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