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On 06/18/84 at 2115C, a neoprene gasket slipped and one end fell, grounding the bus conductor to the enclosure in 'B' phase main transformer doghouse. The ground was picked up by the turbine electrical failure alarm and caused the turbine to trip. Since the turbine was running at greater than 50% power, the interlock (P-9) between the generator and the reactor tripped the reactor. Unit 1 was in mode 1 (2235 psig, 578 degrees F) at 100% power just prior to the event. All associated equipment and personnel responded and performed as expected during the event. The unit stabilized at 547 degrees F after the event.

Investigation to determine the cause of the ground had at first centered around the insulators on the potential transformer because they were covered with oil. However, the dirty insulators were not the problem. Disconnecting the generator and transformers from the bus and extensive use of megger testing was required to find the slipped gasket. The gasket fit between the isolated phase bus housing and the transformer doghouse. One end had worked loose and dropped down onto the bus conductor grounding it to the enclosure. No adhesive had been used to assist in holding the gasket in place. The oil on the insulators apparently came from the generator during the last outage.

Everything was cleaned, reconnected, tested, and returned to service. All similar type gaskets were checked and reworked or replaced as necessary. RTV was then applied to hold them in place.

There was no effect on public health or safety, and no safety margins were exceeded. This was the second reactor trip by interlock from the turbine for 1984. This has been the first equipment failure of this type in the plant.

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The enclosed licensee event report provides details concerning a turbine/ reactor trip from 100% power. This event is reported in accordance with 10 CFR 50.73, paragraph a.2.iv.

Very truly yours,

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