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I. EVENT DESCRIPTION

On June 21, 1984, at approximately 1400 while inspecting the OA Diesel Fire Pump (KP) flywheel by Surface Liquid Penetrant Testing (PT) method, cracks were discovered on the engine side of the flywheel.

II. CAUSE

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At the time of the occurrence Unit 1 was operating in Condition 1 at approximately 95% power and Unit 2 was operating in Condition 1 at approximately 40% power. The OA Diesel Fire Pump was out of service for an inspection and the OB Diesel Fire Pump was lined up to start automatically and supply fire protection water if needed.

The cause of the flywheel cracks is still unknown but is currently under investigation by LaSalle County Station personnel and the manufacturer (Cummins Engine Company, Inc.) (tracked by AIR 1-83-35306).

The diesel engine flywheel was manufactured by Cummins Engine Company, Inc. and the part number is 3023676. The engine model is NT-855-F2.

III. PROBABLE CONSEQUENCES OF THE OCCURRENCE

There are no probable consequences of this occurrence because even though the flywheel was found to be cracked, it had performed satisfactorily one week previously when the Diesel Fire Pump was tested in its weekly one-half hour run.

IV. CORRECTIVE ACTION

A new engine flywheel (part #3023676) was installed after being inspected by the Surface Liquid Penetrant Testing method and no cracks were found. The OA Diesel Fire Pump was tested and returned to service 6/22/84 at approximately 1100.

After discussions between LaSalle County Station personnel and NRC metallurgist John Jacobson, it was decided that the engine flywheel would be inspected after approximately 50 service hours of engine operation.

This inspection would consist of a Surface Penetrant Test of the engine side of the Diesel Fire Pump flywheels for signs of cracking.

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V. PREVIOUS EVENTS

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The flywheel on the OA Diesel Fire Pump was found to be cracked previously on December 27, 1983. At that time a new, inspected Cummins Engine Company flywheel (part #3023676) was installed. The cracked flywheel was sent to Cummins Engine Company, Inc. Service Department for examination, and we are waiting for these findings. At that time, it was decided between LaSalle County Station personnel and the NRC Resident Inspector that the engine flywheels should be inspected for cracks every three months until the cause of the flywheel cracking is discovered and corrected.

Also the OB DFP had cracked a previous flywheel in basically the same place as the OA DFP. The OB DFP had cracked flywheels on December 12, 1983, and June 19, 1984. The latest event is discussed in LER 373/84-035-00. The OB DFP has been repaired and is currently operable.

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Dear Sir:

Reportable Occurrence Report #84-037-00, Docket #050-373 is being submitted to your office in accordance with 10 CFR 50.73.

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