

LICENSEE EVENT REPORT (LER)

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TITLE (4) Possible Block Wall Failure During A Tornado Due to Design Miscalculations of Loading

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COMPLETE ONE LINE FOR EACH COMPONENT FAILURE DESCRIBED IN THIS REPORT (13)									
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SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT EXPECTED (14) YES (If yes, complete EXPECTED SUBMISSION DATE) NO X

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ABSTRACT (Limit to 1400 spaces, i.e., approximately fifteen single-space typewritten lines) (16)  
 A number of block walls in the control bay and reactor building have been identified by Engineering Design to have higher load requirements than originally calculated. This condition was identified as a result of new tornado depressurization analysis performed on the walls and doors. Selected interior doors have been added to plant procedures to be blocked open in the event of a tornado warning to reduce the loading on the block walls. Long term resolution is being handled in conjunction with IE Bulletin 80-11 modifications.

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TEXT (If more space is required, use additional NRC Form 388A's) (17)

Unit 1 was operating at 99 percent power, unit 2 and unit 3 were in a refueling outage. This event affects all units but has the most effect on unit 3.

TVA's Engineering Design determined that certain block walls in the reactor building and control bay could potentially fall on certain safety system equipment and/or components in the event of a tornado. This effect on the block (BLK) walls can be reduced by blocking open certain doors (DR) in the general area of these walls.

Plant procedures were revised to open selected doors during a tornado warning until permanent modifications are implemented in accordance with IE Bulletin 81-11. One wall in the unit 3 control bay area has been reinforced to reduce the number of doors being blocked opened.

The schedule for long term modifications for IE Bulletin 80-11 is described in the integrated schedule submittal of August 14, 1984, to NRC. A revised response to the Bulletin discussing the details of this new analysis will be submitted by December 15, 1984.

Responsible Plant Section - ED

Previous Similar Events - None

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Dear Sir:

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY - BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT (BFN) UNIT 1 -  
 DOCKET NO. 50-259 - FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE DPR-09 - REPORTABLE  
 OCCURRENCE REPORT BFR0-50-259/84030

The enclosed report provides details that concern the possible block wall failure during a tornado due to design miscalculations of loading. This report is submitted in accordance with 10 CFR 50.73 (a)(2)(ii).

Very truly yours,

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

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