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THIS IS A REVISION TO LER 84-023 SUBMITTED ON SEPTEMBER 28, 1984.

ON AUGUST 29, 1984 AT 0505 HOURS, WHILE IN MODE 1 AND AT 100 PERCENT REACTOR THERMAL POWER, FIRE DAMPER 2-HV-ACED-2, LOCATED IN THE UNIT 2 AUX CABLE VAULT WAS OBSERVED TO BE INOPERABLE DURING A MANUAL ACTUATION OF THE LOW PRESSURE CO2 FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEM (CO2 PUFF TEST). THE SUBJECT DAMPER IS A GUILLOTINE TYPE DAMPER WHICH HAS A THREE HOUR FIRE RATING AND IS 24 X 18 INCHES IN SIZE. UPON MANUAL ACTUATION OF THE CO2 SYSTEM, THE POP-OFF LATCH CAUGHT ON THE PROTECTIVE SCREEN PREVENTING COMPLETE CLOSURE OF THE DAMPER. A 175F QUARTZOID BULB LINK WHICH IS INSTALLED ON THE CABLE CONTAINING THE POP-OFF LATCH WOULD HAVE FREED THE DAMPER DURING AN ACTUAL FIRE. ALSO OBSERVED IN THE DAMPER TRACK, WAS A ONE-HALF INCH UNISTRUT NUT WHICH WOULD HAVE PREVENTED COMPLETE DAMPER CLOSURE BY APPROXIMATELY ONE-HALF INCH. THIS UNISTRUT NUT WAS DETERMINED TO HAVE BEEN LEFT BY PERSONNEL WORKING IN THE AREA DURING A RECENT INSTALLATION OF A DESIGN CHANGE. THIS NUT HAS BEEN REMOVED, AND PERSONNEL INVOLVED HAVE BEEN CAUTIONED ABOUT LEAVING SURPLUS MATERIAL IN AND AROUND OPERATING EQUIPMENT. THE OPENING IN THE PROTECTIVE SCREEN HAS BEEN ENLARGED BY APPROXIMATELY ONE INCH TO OBTAIN PROPER CLEARANCE FOR THE POP-OFF LATCH. POST REPAIR FUNCTIONAL TESTING HAS BEEN PERFORMED BY MANUALLY AND AUTOMATICALLY ACTUATING THE POP-OFF LATCH TO ENSURE PROPER DAMPER OPERATION.

TWO PREVIOUS PERIODIC FUNCTIONAL INSPECTIONS OF THE SUBJECT DAMPER FAILED TO REVEAL ANY DISCREPANCIES. THESE INSPECTIONS WERE COMPLETED ON AUGUST 13, 1982, AND MAY 25, 1984. THE CONDITION DESCRIBED ABOVE WAS IMMEDIATELY RECTIFIED UPON DISCOVERY. CO2 PUFF TESTS PERFORMED IN OTHER AREAS FAILED TO REVEAL ANY ABNORMALITIES OF A SIMILAR NATURE WITH THEIR ASSOCIATED FIRE DAMPERS. A JOB ORDER HAS BEEN INITIATED TO INSPECT OTHER LOCATIONS TO ENSURE SIMILAR CONDITIONS DO NOT EXIST.

THE ACTIONS DESCRIBED ABOVE CORRECTED THE DISCREPANCY AND SHOULD PREVENT RECURRENCE.

A SAFETY EVALUATION (COPY ATTACHED) WAS PERFORMED THAT ADDRESSES THE OBSTRUCTION OF FIRE DAMPER 2-HV-ACED-2. THIS EVALUATION CONCLUDED THAT ADEQUATE FIRE PROTECTION EXISTED IN SPITE OF DAMPER CLOSURE PROBLEMS. ON THE BASIS OF THE EVALUATION, PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY WERE NOT AFFECTED.

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- PROBLEM: Unit 2 Auxiliary Cable Vault return air fire damper 2-HV-ACED-2 was found half closed with the CO₂ pop-off cable caught on the protective screen. This problem occurred during a CO₂ Puff Test. If an actual fire had occurred, the quartzoid bulb would have allowed the damper to close, however, in this case, there was a second problem in that the damper had a half-inch unistrut nut located at the bottom of the damper track which would have prohibited complete closure. The following is a synopsis of the impact of the problem.
- 1. <u>Fire Detection</u> <u>Inside the Vault</u> - Ionization smoke detectors which signal the control room and activate the CO₂ System.
 - Outside the Vault (Area beyond damper) Location is the 609' El. of the Auxiliary Building (Fire Zone 44). Ionization smoke detectors are installed throughout the area.
- 2. Fire Suppression Inside the Vault - CO₂ suppression system which is activated by the ionization detection system. With the damper blocked half open, calculations indicate a minimum concentration of 50% CO₂ could be maintained for 15 minutes based on the discharge time settings in the System Description, Pre Op Test, and present settings.
 - Outside the Vault Since June, 1984, automatic sprinklers have been installed throughout the area outside the vault, adjacent to the wall containing damper 2-HV-ACED-2, to contain any fire in that area. Average fire loading in this area is 10 minutes.

3. Fire Barrier

The quartzoid bulb on the damper was not blocked. Therefore, in a fire condition (heat buildup), the bulb could break and the damper operate as designed. The damper could close to within approximately 1/2 inch (because of the unistrut nut) which would minimally degrade the fire barrier from the design rating.

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CONCLUSION

Based on a review of the available reports and calculations, the CO₂ level in the Auxiliary Cable Vault would remain at 50% or above for approximately 15 minutes. This would meet the original acceptance criteria for the system. Based on the automatic operation of the system, fires would be detected and contained in the vault.

The barrier penetration would not be a major concern as the quartzoid bulb would be able to operate in time of fire and the damper would close to within 1/2 inch of complete closure because of the unistrut nut. Suppression is side the vault would contain a fire to the vault based on the original acceptance criteria. Should products of combustion from an external fire enter the damper opening, the CO₂ system in the vault would be activated by the smoke detector. This actuation would occur before sufficient heat to ignite any combustible could spread through the small opening. Addition of the suppression system outside the area (June 1984) further reduced any chance of fire spread from the adjacent area.



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