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Re: 10CFR50.73(a)(2)(i) April 24, 1992 MP-92-424

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Docket No. 50-423

Licensee Event Report 92-009-00

Gentlemen:

This letter forwards Licensee Event Report 92-009-00 required to be submitted within thirty (30) days pursuant to 10CFR50.73(a)(2)(i).

Very truly yours,

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The surveillance requirements were deleted on February 22, 1991. A change to the Control Room Operators Rounds was approved which correctly deleted the requirement to record the values of this instrumentation (utilized to monitor containment pressure). However, this change also deleted the channel checks of the full range pressure instruments. In the process of performing the procedural change, involved personnel did not recognize that the channel checks of the full range pressure instruments were part of the Engineered Safety Actuation System surveillance requirements and inadvertently deleted the subject instrumentation completely from the operators logs. The root cause of this incident was personnel error; an inadequate administrative review of the procedural change was performed.

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1. Description of Event

On March 25, 1992, at approximately 0800 with the unit operating at 100% power (Mode 1), 2250 psia, and 587 degrees Fahrenheit, the control room operators discovered that the required channel checks for the full range containment pressure indication (utilized in the Engineered Safety Features Actuation System) had been deleted from the Control Room Rounds. Therefore, the surveillance frequency was not in compliance with that established by Plant Tachnical Specifications.

The surveillance requirements, as outlined in Technical Specifications, have not been satisfied since February 22, 1991. Change 4 to Revision 6 of the Control Room Operators Rounds was approved which correctly deleted the requirement to record the values of this instrumentation (utilized to monitor containment pressure). However, this change inadvertently deleted the channel checks of the full range pressure instruments. This change was to incorporate requirements of Technical Specification. Amendment 59, which allowed an increase in the operating containment pressure range. The Plant Design Change Request incorporating the Technical Specification Change required that the instrumentation utilized to monitor containment pressure be changed from the main board full range containment pressure instrumentation to alternate narrow range instruments with better accuracy. In the process of performing the procedural change, involved personnel did not recognize that the channel checks of the full range pressure instruments were part of the Engineered Safety Features (ESF). Actuation System surveillance requirements and inadvertently deleted the subject instrumentation completely from the operators logs.

Upon discovery, the four full range containment pressure chancels were declared inoperable and the corresponding action statements for the Limiting Conditions of Operation were entered. Further, an immediate procedure change to re-incorporate the channel checks into the logs was completed. Upon the approval of the change, the channel checks were satisfactorily performed and pressure instrumentation returned to an operable status.

II. Cause of Event

The root cause of this incident was personnel error in change management. The Operations Engineer performing the change did not recognize that the requirements of two Technical Specifications were affected. Additionally, an inadequate administrative review of the procedural change was performed.

III Applysis of Event

This event is reportable under the provisions of 10CFR50.73(a)(2)(i)(B) in that the missed surveillance was a violation of the surveillance requirements identified in Plant Technical Specification 4.3.2.1.

The subject instrumentation is utilized to initiate containment protection systems in the event of a Design Basis Accident (DBA). For EOP verification, alternate safety related Post Accident Monitoring indication is available to monitor containment pressure.

The health and safety of the public was not at risk due to this event since the instrumentation was functional.

IV. Corrective Action

Upon discovery, the Shift Supervisor declared the four ESF Containment Pressure channels inoperable and the corresponding action statements or the Limiting Conditions of Operation 3.0.3 were entered. Further, an immediate procedure change to re-incorporate the channel checks into the logs was completed. Upon approval of the change, the channel checks were performed and pressure instrumentation returned to an operable status.

The long term corrective action is under evaluation. A supplemental report will be issued in December, 1992 providing information regarding the final corrective action.

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Train A Safety Injection Caused By a Defective Procedure

The cause of LER 87-016 was a procedural step which was incorrectly removed during a rewrite. This

Procedure due to Personnel Error

The cause and corrective action for LER 88-011 was not applicable to this event. LER 88-011 was a proof reading problem which occurred during the reformatting of a form. The subject event involved the

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