

LICENSEE EVENT REPORT (LER)

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TITLE (4)  
Reactor Manual Scram due to Main Steam Relief Valve Lifting

EVENT DATE (5)			LER NUMBER (6)			REPORT DATE (7)			OTHER FACILITIES INVOLVED (8)																
MONTH	DAY	YEAR	YEAR	SEQUENTIAL NUMBER	REVISION NUMBER	MONTH	DAY	YEAR	FACILITY NAMES		DOCKET NUMBER(S)														
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OPERATING MODE (9)  N

POWER LEVEL (10) 0 | 0 | 1

THIS REPORT IS SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF 10 CFR §: (Check one or more of the following) (11)

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LICENSEE CONTACT FOR THIS LER (12)

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COMPLETE ONE LINE FOR EACH COMPONENT FAILURE DESCRIBED IN THIS REPORT (13)

CAUSE	SYSTEM	COMPONENT	MANUFACTURER	REPORTABLE TO NPRDS	CAUSE	SYSTEM	COMPONENT	MANUFACTURER	REPORTABLE TO NPRDS

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT EXPECTED (14)

YES (If yes, complete EXPECTED SUBMISSION DATE)  NO

EXPECTED SUBMISSION DATE (15)	MONTH	DAY	YEAR

ABSTRACT (Limit to 1400 spaces, i.e., approximately fifteen single-space typewritten lines) (16)

During normal unit startup following a short unit outage, while approaching 1 percent power with approximately 400 psig reactor pressure, a main steam relief valve began to unseat. It continued to leak causing the torus temperature to approach technical specification limits and the unit was manually scrammed at 350 psig. The relief valve subsequently reseated at 100 psig. No unusual occurrences followed.

The valve was replaced and the unit restarted. The relief valve was tested at Wyle Laboratories; it performed normally. It was then disassembled and all internal parts were found to be normal. No reason, either electrical or mechanical, could be found to explain the premature valve actuation. No further corrective action is necessary.

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TEXT (If more space is required, use additional NRC Form 366A's) (17)

On June 27, 1984, unit 1 was in startup at 1 percent power, unit 2 was at 49 percent power, and unit 3 in a refueling outage. Unit 1 was the only unit affected by this event.

Unit 1 was in startup and approaching 1 percent power at approximately 400 psig reactor pressure, when the pressure control valve 1-4 (RV) unseated. As reactor (RCT) pressure decreased, torus (BT) temperature was approaching its technical specification limit; therefore, a reactor manual scram was initiated at 350 psig. The valve subsequently reseated at 100 psig. No unusual events followed, and there was no safety significance to this event.

The relief valve was completely and thoroughly tested, both electrically and mechanically, by TVA, Wyle, and Target Rock personnel. The initial test actuation pressure was recorded to be 2.2 percent above acceptable criteria. This is a common problem industry wide for first time actuation of relief valves after a long period of standby readiness. Subsequent actuations were all within limits. After it was tested, the valve was disassembled and inspected. No reason could be found for premature valve actuation. The valve was recertified and placed into service on unit 3. No further corrective action is required.

Responsible Plant Section - N/A

Previous Similar Events

BFRO-50-259/7726  
 BFRO-50-259/7713  
 BFRO-50-260/7503  
 BFRO-50-260/7430  
 BFRO-50-260/7429  
 BFRO-50-259/7349  
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TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

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August 28, 1984

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Dear Sir:

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY - BROWNS FERRY NUCLEAR PLANT UNIT 1 - DOCKET  
NO. 50-259 - FACILITY OPERATING LICENSE DPR-33 - REPORTABLE OCCURRENCE  
REPORT BFRO-50-259/84027 R1

The enclosed updated report provides additional details concerning reactor  
manual scram due to main steam relief valve lifting. This report was  
originally submitted accordance with 10 CFR 50.73 (a)(2)(iv).

Very truly yours,

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

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Enclosure

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