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LICENSEE EVENT REPORT (LER)

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TITLE (4)

SPURIOUS TOXIC GAS ISOLATION SYSTEM (TGIS) ACTUATIONS

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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	

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

On July 30, 1984, at 0943, with Unit 2 in Mode 1 at 100% power and Unit 3 in Mode 5, a spurious Toxic Gas Isolation System (TGIS) actuation occurred. Subsequent to this date, additional spurious actuations occurred on August 2, 3, 4, 8 and 23. The Control Room Emergency Air Cleanup System (CREACUS) actuated on each TGIS. For each occurrence, the actuation was verified to be spurious by confirming that the meter indications on the TGIS panel were less than their respective setpoints, and TGIS was immediately reset. See also LERs 84-006, 012, 021, 026, 032 and 037 (Docket No. 50-361).

The spurious TGIS actuations are the result of overly conservative alarm setpoints. In addition, one or more of the following conditions also contribute to spurious TGIS actuations: electrical noise; rapid temperature and pressure changes; radio transmissions; vibration; and dust and dirt accumulation. Corrective actions have been implemented and are continuing in order to eliminate these conditions. A proposed Technical Specification amendment was submitted April 27, 1984, requesting more appropriate TGIS setpoints. In addition, a request for exemption from reporting spurious actuations of the TGIS under 10 CFR 50.72 and 10 CFR 50.73 is being prepared.

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

On July 30, 1984, at 0943, with Unit 2 in Mode 1 at 100% power and Unit 3 in Mode 5, a spurious Toxic Gas Isolation System (TGIS) (EIIS System Identifier JF) actuation occurred. Subsequent to this date, additional spurious actuations occurred on August 2, 3, 4, 8 and 23. The Control Room Emergency Air Cleanup System (CREACUS) (EIIS System Identifier VI) actuated on each TGIS. For each occurrence, the actuation was verified to be spurious by confirming that the meter indications on the TGIS panel were less than their respective setpoints, and TGIS was immediately reset. No plant systems or components failed as a result of these events. See also LERs 84-006, 012, 021, 026, 032 and 037 (Docket No. 50-361).

The spurious TGIS actuations are the result of overly conservative alarm setpoints. In addition, one or more of the following conditions also contribute to spurious TGIS actuations: electrical noise levels; rapid temperature and pressure changes; radio transmissions; vibration; and dust and dirt accumulation.

Several corrective actions were implemented in 1983 that have been effective in reducing, but not eliminating, the spurious TGIS actuations. These actions include: sealing the door in the corridor housing the TGIS, which has reduced rapid temperature and pressure changes and dust accumulation; banning radios in the area; and reducing calibration and surveillance intervals on the TGIS analyzers. Additionally, the system has been instrumented with recorders in order to determine which of the analyzers are causing the trips.

A proposed Technical Specification amendment was submitted April 27, 1984, requesting more appropriate TGIS setpoints. In addition, a request for exemption from reporting spurious actuations of the TGIS under 10 CFR 50.72 and 10 CFR 50.73 is being prepared. In the interim, corrective actions are continuing in order to eliminate the spurious TGIS actuations.

There are no reasonable or credible circumstances which could have increased the severity of these occurrences. Neither the health and safety of plant personnel nor the public were affected.

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Subject: Docket No. 50-361
30-Day Report
Licensee Event Report No. 84-042
San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station, Units 2 and 3

Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.73(a)(2)(iv), this submittal provides the required 30-day written Licensee Event Report (LER) for eleven occurrences involving the actuation of the Toxic Gas Isolation System (TGIS). Since these events involved shared systems between Units 2 and 3, these events have been combined into a single report in accordance with NUREG-1022. Neither the health and safety of plant personnel nor the public were affected by these events.

If you require any additional information, please so advise.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure: LER No. 84-042

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