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On June 24, 1984, manual initiation of the auxiliary feedwater (AFW) system occurred. The AFW system was manually started in anticipation of a feedwater pump trip due to low suction pressure. The unit was decreasing power because of oil control problems causing control valve oscillations on the turbine-generator. The level in the hotwell began decreasing and as the level got close to 10%, the AFW system was manually started to help maintain hotwell level by reducing the required main feedwater flow. The hotwell reject regulator, LCV-1500, was found to have failed open and was isolated. Isolation of the reject regulator caused the hotwell level to begin increasing and the AFW pumps were secured. Immediate corrective actions included stabilizing the unit in a hot shutdown condition to resolve the turbine control problems and having maintenance personnel repair the hotwell reject regulator. Also, a letter was sent to all Operations personnel clarifying the requirements for significant event notifications outlined in Administrative Procedure 0103.12, Notification of Significant Events to NRC. The health and safety of the public were not affected. Similar occurrences: None.

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT EXPECTED (14)

Subsequent review of the sequence of events and discussions with the USNRC Senior Resident Inspector determined that the event was reportable and a significant event notification was made to the NRCOC via ENS pursuant to 10 CFR 50.72(b)(2)(ii) on August 2, 1984.

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On June 24, 1984 at 8:18 a.m., the auxiliary feedwater (AFW) system was manually actuated. The AFW system was manually started in anticipation of a feedwater pump trip due to low suction pressure.

Unit 4 was operating at 74% power when the operators noticed a rapid decrease in turbine power and began unloading the turbine and decreasing reactor power. At this time, it was discovered that the NW intercept valve was indicating closed and the NE reheat valve had no indication (local verification indicated the valve was closed). As level in the hotwell began decreasing, the Nuclear Turbine Operator (NTO) opened the bypass around the makeup regulator all the way. When the hotwell level got close to 10%, the operators realized that if the level in the hotwell got too low, the condensate pump would cavitate causing a feedwater pump to trip. A feedwater pump trip would cause an automatic initiation of the AFW system. The operators started three AFW pumps to help maintain level in the hotwell by reducing the required main feedwater flow. The NTO found the hotwell reject regulator, LCV-1500, failed open and isolated it. Isolation of the reject regulator caused the hotwell level to begin increasing. With the level increasing, the AFW pumps were secured. The turbine was manually tripped at 14 MWe, per shutdown procedure, and the unit was stabilized in a hot shutdown condition. Maintenance personnel were called to find the reason or the reject regulator failing open. They found that LCV-1500 was setup incorrectly and proceeded to set it up correctly.

Following satisfactory resolution of the problems discussed above and having identified no other problems, the unit was returned to service at 10:53 p.m., on June 24, 1984.



September 4, 1984 PNS-LI-84-311

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Document Control Desk Washington, D.C. 20555

Gentlemen:

Re:

Reportable Event 84-16 Turkey Point Unit 4

Date of Event: June 24, 1984

Engineered Safety Feature Actuation-Auxiliary Feedwater Initiation

The attached Licensee Event Report is being submitted pursuant to the requirements of 10 CFR to provide notification of the subject event.

Very truly yours,

J. W. Williams, Jr. Group Vice President

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cc: J. P. O'Reilly, Region II, USNRC

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