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On 8/9/84, while in Mode 1 at 100% full power (FP), it was discovered that incorrect data was used to calibrate resistance temperature detector (RTD) 2TE-4711-4 which provides cold leg temperature input to Channel D Core Protection Calculator (CPC). During an outage that began on 7/20/84, 2TE-4711-4 was replaced to provide improved response time. The replacement RTD had been previously returned to the manufacturer for modification of the lead wires. The manufacturer chose to replace the RTD rather than modify the existing element, but the same serial number was re-used. When the RTD was installed, data for the original RTD was used for calibration. Also at this time response time testing was performed. Test results received on 7/27/84 indicated an acceptable response correct constants. Subsequent response time testing results received on 8/28/84 indicated that the response time had degraded to 12.76 sec. Cach problem could have resulted in non-conservative, larger than allowable uncertainty in CPC Channel D calculations. A couplant compound was used in the thermowell for 2TE-4711-4 and acceptable RTD response times were achieved.

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On 8/9/84, while in Mode 1 at 100% FP, it was discovered that incorrect data was used to calibrate temperature element 2TE-4711-4. This element provides cold leg temperature input to Channel D Core Protection Calculation (CPC).

During an outage that began on 7/20/84 (reference LER-84-019), 2TE-4711-4 was replaced to provide improved response time. The resistance temperature detector (RTD) element used for replacement had been previously returned to the manufacturer (Weed Instrument Co., Inc.) for modification of the lead wires. While at the manufacturer, the RTD was replaced due to difficulty encountered in repair, but the same serial number was re-used. Later, when the RTD element was installed for 2TE-4711-4, re-calibration was based on the original calibration constants for that element since the technicians did not realize that a change had been made. RTD response time testing was also performed on 7/26/84 and 7/27/84 following the outage startup. Results of the Calibration checks were initiated on this temperature element due to an unrelated problem that led to the discovery on 8/9/84 that incorrect calibration data had been used to calibrate 2TE-4711-4. The correct data was obtained and 2IE-4711-4 was recalibrated on 8/9/84. Subsequent response time testing was conducted on 8/23/84 indicated that the response time of 2TE-4711-4 had degraded to (Never-Seez) installed in the thermowell. Weed RTDs are designed such that no couplant should normally be required, however, element and thermowell fitup appears to be less than adequate for this element. 2TE-4711-4 was re-installed and response time testing was obtained.

The miscalibration of 2TE-4711-4 and the increased response time could have red to non-conservative calculations, alarming and/or trip of CPC Channel D for an asymetric steam gerarator transient had such an event occurred. CPC Channels A, B and C were operable at all times during this occurrence. RTD 2TE-4711-4 is a dual element model SP6120-1B-C-6-18-0-0 manufactured by Weed Instrument Co. Inc. EIIS identifier is 02JC-TE-4711-4. Weed Instrument Co. has been contacted by AP&L QA Dept. regarding the re-use of serial numbers and has been required to provide corrective measures in order to remain a qualified vendor. Similar occurrences were reported in LER's 81-017, 82-001, 83-009, 83-014, 83-025 and 84-009.



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Gentlemen:

In accordance with 10CFR50.73(a)(2)(i), attached is the subject report concerning the discovery that incorrect data was used to calibrate resistance temperature detector (RTD) 2TE-4711-4.

Very truly yours,

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Attachment

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