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On October 21, 1984, at 0635 hours, Motor Driven Auxiliary Feedwater (CA) Pumps 1A and 1B started due to a trip signal on both Main Feedwater (CF) Pump Turbines. Unit 1 was in Mode 4 (Hot Shutdown) with the CA System in standby alignment in preparation for entering into Mode 3 (Hot Standby).

Work was being conducted on Valve 1CA-151 (S/G 1C BYP to CA Nozzle). To allow for this work, the Nuclear Control Operator (NCO) was feeding Steam Generator (S/G) 1C by the main feedwater nozzle through valve 1CF-051 (S/G 1C CF CONT. ISOL). Prior to shift turnover, the NCO started feeding S/G 1C through its no.mal alignment by closing 1CF-051 and feeding into the CA nozzle through valve CA-151. Shortly after this, the temporary air supply was removed from 1CA-151. At this point, valve 1CA-151 failed closed, isolating S/G 1C. Twenty minutes later S/G 1C had a Low Level Deviation (5% low level) Alarm. The NCO immediately opened valve 1CF-051, feeding water quickly to the main feedwater nozzle through Throttle Valve 1CF-048 (S/G 1C CF BYP CTRL). Both Main Feedwater Pumps were reset and windmilling when flow to the Main Feed Nozzle was aligned. Feeding water rapidly into S/G 1C appears to have put the Condensate (CM) System and CF in a pressure transient, developing low suction pressure at the CF Pumps. The low suction pressure alarm initiated the CF Pump Turbine Trip Signal, causing the Motor Driven CA Pumps to auto start.

The cause of the incident is tentatively unknown. A follow-up report will be issued no later than 12/1/84. Additional investigative testing is being performed and will be evaluated prior to issuance of the follow-up report.

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Gentlemen:

Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.73 Section (a) (1) and (d), attached is Licensee Event Report 413/84-17 concerning the auto start of motor driven auxiliary feedwater pumps. This event was considered to be of no significance with respect to the health and safety of the public.

Very truly yours,

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