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The erroneous signal was attributed to perturbations in the microwave link between WNP-2 and Ashe Substation which were recorded during the same time period by BPA personnel. The signal was subsequently shifted to a more reliable microwave channel.

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#### Plant Conditions

a) Power Level - 100%

b) Plant Mode - 1

### Event

At approximately 0939 hours on 25 January 1985, a 500KV Circuit Breaker Open position signal was received by WNP-2 from the BPA Ashe Substation. The 500KV output breakers for WNP-2 are located at the Ashe Substation which is located directly north of WNP-2. The Main Turbine Digital Electro-Hydraulic Control System responded by closing the main turbine governor valves in an anticipitory mode to prevent excessive turbine overspeed. The governor valve fast closure resulted in a Reactor Scram and subsequent Plant shutdown.

### Immediate Corrective Action

Following the reactor scram plant operators successfully completed the normal Scram Recovery procedure. Notification was given to the NRC in accordance with the requirements of 10CFR50.72(b)(2)(ii).

# Further Corrective Action

The 500KV Circuit Breaker Open position indication signal was determined to be erroneous and the result of perturbations in the supervisory microwave link between WNP-2 and BPA's Ashe Substation. BPA personnel shifted the signal for the DEH System at WNP-2 from the existing supervisory link to a more reliable microwave link. Now an input variable (i.e., 500KV breaker position) must change state for a corresponding microwave output signal to change. Previously, a continuous input signal was required to maintain an output signal. This change was installed and tested by WNP-2 and BPA personnel and the system declared operable.

# Safety Significance

There is no safety significance associated with this event. All systems responded as designed and a safe shutdown followed the reactor scram. The BPA microwave system is non-safety related and the above mentioned change does not impact the ability of the Plant safety systems to operate as required.

# Similar Events

None

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Subject: NUCLEAR PLANT NO. 2

LICENSEE EVENT REPORT NO. 85-003

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is Licensee Event Report No. 85-003 for WNP-2 Plant. This report is submitted in response to the report requirements of 10CFR50.73 and discusses the item of reportability, corrective action taken, and action taken to preclude recurrence.

This is the follow-up report to the verbal notification given at 1250 hours on January 25, 1985.

Very truly yours,

J. D. Martin (M/D 927M) WNP-2 Plant Manager

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Enclosure: Licensee Event Report No. 85-003

cc: Mr. John B. Martin, NRC - Region V Mr. A. D. Toth, NRC - Site (901A) Ms. Dottie Sherman, ANI INPO Records Center - Atlanta, GA

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