

LICENSEE EVENT REPORT (LER)

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TITLE (4)
Inadvertent SI Actuation

EVENT DATE (5)			LER NUMBER (6)			REPORT DATE (7)			OTHER FACILITIES INVOLVED (8)		
MONTH	DAY	YEAR	YEAR	SEQUENTIAL NUMBER	REVISION NUMBER	MONTH	DAY	YEAR	FACILITY NAMES		DOCKET NUMBER(S)
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OPERATING MODE (9) N	20.402(b)	20.408(e)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 80.73(a)(2)(iv)	73.71(b)
POWER LEVEL (10) 100	20.408(a)(1)(i)	80.36(a)(1)	<input type="checkbox"/> 80.73(a)(2)(v)	73.71(e)
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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 NRC	CAUSE	SYSTEM	COMPONENT	MANUFACTURER	REPORTABLE TO NRC
X	B	DPS	VI	A6110	Y				

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT EXPECTED (14)

YES (If yes, complete EXPECTED SUBMISSION DATE) NO

EXPECTED SUBMISSION DATE (15)	MONTH	DAY	YEAR

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

On January 21, 1985, a unit trip and Safety Injection (SI) actuation occurred as a result of low voltage on two out of four instrument buses. The reactor was at 100 percent power at the time of the actuation. Investigation determined that a ground had developed on bus 32, decreasing its voltage. In an attempt to correct this condition, the control room operators mistakenly switched bus 31 to backup power. The momentary voltage drop as bus 31 switched to backup power concurrent with the existing low voltage on bus 32, caused the trip and SI actuation. Since the reactor coolant system was at normal pressure, no water was injected.

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

At 2349 hours on January 21, 1985, a unit trip and a Safety Injection (SI) actuation occurred as a result of low voltage on two instrument buses concurrently. The reactor was at 100 percent power at the time of the trip. Since the reactor coolant system was at normal pressure, no water was injected.

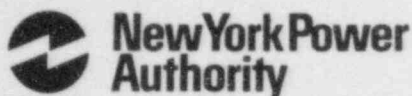
Investigation determined that a ground had developed in the coil of solenoid valve SOV-1195, an isolation valve in the Weld Channel and Penetration Pressurization System. Since SOV-1195 is powered by instrument bus 32, the ground caused a drop in bus 32 voltage from 130 volts to approximately 40 volts. The control room operators correctly identified instrument channel 1 (which is powered by bus 32) as the affected channel. Plant procedure directs the operators to stop the turbine runback, which was in progress, and to monitor the failed instrument bus voltage. The operators reacted to this situation by attempting to restore normal voltage to the affected instrument bus. In an attempt to correct the low voltage condition, the power supply for instrument bus 31 was mistakenly switched to the backup power supply. The existing low voltage on bus 32 concurrent with the momentary voltage drop on bus 31, as it was switched to backup power, resulted in a unit trip and a safety injection actuation.

Although normally required by an SI actuation, No. 31 safety injection pump and No. 33 emergency diesel generator did not start and valve 822A did not open. This occurred since only SI Train B actuated. Due to the momentary voltage drop on bus 31 combined with voltage on bus 32 never being decreased to zero, only certain logic relays de-energized or "dropped out". These relays do not observe identical drop-out voltages thereby causing completed matrices on only Train B and no actuation of Train A. All safeguard equipment associated with Train B SI started as required.

After replacing the failed solenoid coil, surveillance test 3PT-M14A "Safety Injection System Logic Channel Functional Test, SI Channel A" was performed to verify the operability of SI Train A. The results were satisfactory. The control room operators on shift during this transient were reinstructed by the Operations Superintendent in the proper procedure for this type of event. All other licensed operators will be reinstructed in this event during the normal operator requalification program. The unit was synchronized to the bus at 0758 hours on January 23, 1985.

No similar events have been reported in an LER to date.

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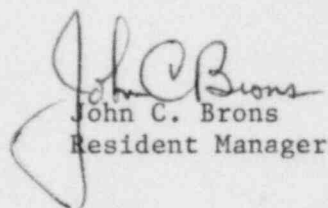
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Dear Sir:

The attached Licensee Event Report LER 85-001-00 is hereby submitted in accordance with the requirements of 10CFR50.73. This event is of the type defined in Paragraph 50.73(a)(2)(iv).

Very truly yours,


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