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On 2/15/85, during a drywell inspection routinely performed coincident with startup, a leak, the size of two small pinholes, was found in a weld of the reactor vessel bottom drain line. The leak was located in the socket weld between drain isolation valve HO-65 and a downstream pipe spool piece. Reactor pressure was approximately 400# and the mode switch was in "Startup" when the leak was identified. As a result of the leak, a plant shutdown was completed to effect repairs.

A previous drywell inspection on 2/9/85 did not identify any weld leak in the area of HO-65. That inspection was made with the reactor at approximately 600#, while bringing the unit down for maintenance. This supports the fact that the leak probably occurred between 2/9/85 and 2/15/85.

The spool piece, approximately 10" in length, was cut from the drain line, replaced with a new spool piece, welded in place, and hydrostatically tested. Test results were satisfactory, and, on 2/17/85, the system was declared operable. Replacement of the spool piece was performed in accordance with Station procedures (Ref.: TM 85-12).

The most probable cause of the event is a porous weld. This is based on the visual observation of the two pinhole sized leaks.

A search of records indicates no previous events of a similar nature.

This event did not impact the health and safety of the public.

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Dear Sir:

The attached Licensee Event Report 85-004-00, "Rx Vessel Drain Line Leak," is hereby submitted in accordance with the requirements of 10CFR50.73.

If there are any questions on this subject, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. Harrington

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Enclosure: LER 85-004-00

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