

LICENSEE EVENT REPORT (LER)

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TITLE (4)
Inoperable Fire Wall

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)
06	26	85	85	026	00	07	26	85	N/A		05000
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OPERATING MODE (9) 1

POWER LEVEL (10) 085

THIS REPORT IS SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF 10 CFR §: (Check one or more of the following) (11)

20.402(b)	20.405(c)	50.73(a)(2)(iv)	73.71(b)
20.405(a)(1)(i)	50.38(c)(1)	50.73(a)(2)(v)	73.71(c)
20.405(a)(1)(ii)	50.38(c)(2)	50.73(a)(2)(vii)	OTHER (Specify in Abstract below and in Text, NRC Form 366A)
20.405(a)(1)(iii)	XX 50.73(a)(2)(i)	50.73(a)(2)(viii)(A)	
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20.405(a)(1)(v)	50.73(a)(2)(iii)	50.73(a)(2)(ix)	

LICENSEE CONTACT FOR THIS LER (12)

NAME	TELEPHONE NUMBER
T. H. Smith, Maintenance Superintendent	504 464 - 3138

COMPLETE ONE LINE FOR EACH COMPONENT FAILURE DESCRIBED IN THIS REPORT (13)

CAUSE	SYSTEM	COMPONENT	MANUFACTURER	REPORTABLE TO NPRDS	CAUSE	SYSTEM	COMPONENT	MANUFACTURER	REPORTABLE TO NPRDS

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)

ABSTRACT

On June 26 Waterford 3 Steam Electric Station was at 85% reactor power when Plant Personnel discovered a small opening in a penetration of the B Emergency Diesel Generator Room fire wall. Because the opening was not sealed, the fire wall was rendered inoperable as required by Technical Specification 3.7.11a. Upon discovery the Shift Supervisor posted a fire watch in accordance with the above Technical Specification.

The opening has since been closed.

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NARRATIVE

On June 26, 1985 Waterford 3 Steam Electric Station was at 85% reactor power when Plant Personnel were repairing a fire wrap when they discovered an opening through a penetration in the B Emergency Diesel Generator Room fire wall. The Shift Supervisor was notified at 1115 hours on June 26, 1985, and a fire watch was posted in accordance with Technical Specification 3.7.11a. It is believed that this condition has existed for a period longer than allowed by Technical Specifications. The opening has since been closed.

SAFETY CONSEQUENCES AND IMPLICATIONS

Although the opening rendered the fire walls inoperable as defined in Technical Specifications, both sides of the fire wall contain automatic suppression and detection equipment. Therefore, the above condition did not affect plant safety.

CORRECTIVE ACTION

An investigation into the cause of the above condition by Plant Personnel was inconclusive. However, because of the nature of the opening, it is believed that this condition has existed since the fire wall was constructed. The opening is both sufficiently small and obstructed that its existence could be concealed from Plant Personnel.

It is believed that the Station Modification Program in place at Waterford 3 is sufficient to prevent this condition from occurring in the future.

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SIMILAR EVENTS

NONE

PLANT CONTACT

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ATTENTION: Document Control Desk
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Subject: Waterford 3 SES
Docket No. 50-382
License No. NPF-38
Reporting of Licensee Event Report

Dear Sirs:

Attached is Licensee Event Report Number LER-85-026-00 for the Waterford 3
Steam Electric Station. This Licensee Event Report is submitted per
10CFR50.73(a)(2)(i)(B).

Very truly yours,

K.W. Cook
Nuclear Support & Licensing Manager

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Attachment

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