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TITLE (4) Fire Suppression System Sprinkler Head Missing

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

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Upon notification of the fire system degradation, members of the facility engineering staff performed an evaluation of the extent of degradation that the missing head posed to the protected area. This evaluation was completed on 12/9/85, and it was determined that the area was not adequately protected from fire or combustion product spread. Based upon this evaluation the event was determined to be reportable since the evaluation also showed that this degradation had probably existed since the original system hydrostatic test which was completed 9/18/72. The duration of the degradation exceeds the time allowed in the limiting condition for operation contained in specification 3.18.

The basis for establishing the occurrence date stems from a visual observation of a pipe plug that was installed in place of the missing sprinkler head. The plug was of a type, and installed in a manner, that indicated that it was used to permit the sprinkler system to be hydrostatically tested during initial installation. During the system restoration that followed, the hydro plug was not removed and replaced with a sprinkler head, and subsequent system walkdowns failed to identify this missing sprinkler due to its location. The sprinkler is located in the overhead in a remote area of the protected area and is not easily visible from the floor level in the room.

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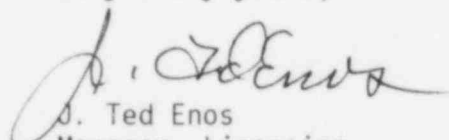
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Very truly yours,


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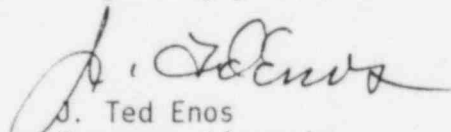
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