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Nebraska's Energy Leader

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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attention: Document Control Desk
Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

Gentlemen:

Subject: Monthly Operating Status Report for September 1998, Docket No. 50-298.

Enclosed for your information and use is the Cooper Nuclear Station Monthly Operating Status Report for September 1998. In accordance with the guidance provided by Generic Letter 97-02, this report includes an Operating Data Report and Unit Shutdown Report for the month of September. In accordance with Technical Specification 5.6.4, this report also includes documentation of challenges to the safety/relief valves.

Should you have any comments, or require additional information regarding this report, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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**APPENDIX A
OPERATING DATA REPORT**

DOCKET NO. 050-0298
 UNIT NAME Cooper Nuclear Station
 DATE 10/15/98
 COMPLETED BY P. L. Ballinger
 TELEPHONE (402) 825-5295

Reporting Period: September 1998

	This Month	Yr.-to-Date	Cumulative
1. Design Electrical Rating (Net MWe). The nominal net electrical output of the unit specified by the utility and used for the purpose of plant design.	<u>778</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>
2. Maximum Dependable Capacity (Net MWe): The gross electrical output as measured at the output terminals of the turbine-generator during the most restrictive seasonal conditions minus normal station service loads.	<u>764</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>N/A</u>
3. Number of Hours the Reactor Was Critical. The total number of hours during the gross hours of the reporting period that the reactor was critical.	<u>720.0</u>	<u>6,239.9</u>	<u>161,279.6</u>
4. Number of Hours the Generator Was On Line. (Also called Service Hours). The total number of hours during the gross hours of the reporting period that the unit operated with the breakers closed to the station bus. The sum of the hours the generator was on line plus the total outage hours should equal the gross hours in the reporting period.	<u>720.0</u>	<u>6,210.5</u>	<u>159,031.8</u>
5. Unit Reserve Shutdown Hours. The total number of hours during the gross hours of the reporting period that the unit was removed from service for economic or similar reasons but was available for operation.	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>	<u>0.0</u>
6. Net Electrical Energy (MWH). The gross electrical output of the unit measured at the output terminals of the turbine-generator minus the normal station service loads during the gross hours of the reporting period, expressed in megawatt hours. Negative quantities should not be used.	<u>519,907.0</u>	<u>4,649,614.0</u>	<u>105,670,337.6</u>

**APPENDIX B
UNIT SHUTDOWNS**

DOCKET NO.	<u>050-0298</u>
UNIT NAME	<u>Cooper Nuclear Station</u>
DATE	<u>10/15/98</u>
COMPLETED BY	<u>P. L. Ballinger</u>
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REPORT MONTH September 1998

No.	Date	Type	Duration (Hours)	Reason (1)	Method Of Shutting Down Reactor (2)	CAUSE/CORRECTIVE ACTIONS COMMENTS
		F: FORCED S: SCHEDULED				
N/A						

SUMMARY: The plant operated at maximum power in end of cycle coastdown for month. Planned surveillance testing and maintenance was performed at reduced power.

- (1) Reason:
- A - Equipment Failure (Explain)
 - B - Maintenance or Test
 - C - Refueling
 - D - Regulatory Restriction
 - E - Operator Training/License Examination
 - F - Administrative
 - G - Operational Error (Explain)
 - H - Other (Explain)

- (2) Method:
- 1 - Manual
 - 2 - Manual Trip/Scram
 - 3 - Automatic Trip/Scram
 - 4 - Continuation
 - 5 - Other (Explain)

APPENDIX C
SAFETY/RELIEF VALVE CHALLENGES
SEPTEMBER 1998

There were no challenges to the safety/relief valves during the month of September.

ATTACHMENT 3 LIST OF NRC COMMITMENTS

Correspondence No: NLS980167

The following table identifies those actions committed to by the District in this document. Any other actions discussed in the submittal represent intended or planned actions by the District. They are described to the NRC for the NRC's information and are not regulatory commitments. Please notify the NL&S Manager at Cooper Nuclear Station of any questions regarding this document or any associated regulatory commitments.

COMMITMENT	COMMITTED DATE OR OUTAGE
None	