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A. REPORTABLE OCCURRENCE

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On November 19, 1987 during a plant refueling outage, a fuse in the Residual Heat Removal (RHR) system isolation logic blew causing an isolation of containment isolation valve E12-F009. This ESF actuation is reported in accordance with 10CFR50.73(a)(2)(iv).

B. INITIAL CONDITIONS

The plant was in a refueling outage with Shutdown Cooling loop "A" in operation. The reactor coolant temperature was approximately 91 degrees F with the water level greater than 22 feet 8 inches above the reactor pressure vessel flange.

C. DESCRIPTION OF OCCURRENCE

On November 19, 1987 at 0253 containment isolation valve E12-F009, located in the common suction pipe of the RHR Shutdown Cooling loops, isolated causing a trip of the operating Shutdown Cooling pump. The reactor recirculation system was operating to provide the alternate means of reactor coolant circulation. An investigation revealed a blown 5 amp fuse which caused a loss of power to the isolation logic circuit. The fuse (EIIS code: GG-1JM-FU-F23B) was replaced and the Shutdown Cooling loop restored to operation at 0355 on November 19.

D. APPARENT CAUSE

The case of the blown fuse is indeterminate. The investigation could no determine whether the fuse blew at less than the nominal design cur ent or blew due to a power transient. A surveillance was in progress at the time of the event. The surveillance tested the time response of the electronics for the reactor vessel steam dome high pressure RPS trip. Before the isolation, a jumper was installed in the circuit powered by fuse F23B to prevent a shutdown cooling isolation from the channel "C" steam dome high pressure trip which is actuated during the surveillance. The technicians continued the surveillance after installing the jumper. Four additional steps had been performed when the technicians were told of the isolation. The technicians stopped the surveillance and checked the jumper connections. No problems with the jumper or the connections were found. The connections are permanently installed banana jacks which minimize the potential for error or circuit disturbance. No other correlation between the surveillance steps or any other plant activities and the blown fuse could be identified.

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A review of incident history showed that the F23B fuse blew on January 14, 1984, when first installing the banana jacks as permanent test connections (see LER 84-004). A temporary jumper connected under a screw that was loosened to install the jack leads apparently shorted the circuit causing the fuse to blow. The cause for these two occurrences are not related.

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E. SUPPLEMENTAL CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

The fuse was replaced and Shutdown Cooling was restored to operation. The surveillance was completed without further incident.

F. SAFETY ASSESSMENT

The lack of the shutdown cooling loop operation for approximately one hour caused no adverse safety consequences. The reactor head was removed with the upper containment pool flooded. The reactor coolant temperature increased from approximately 91 degrees F to 100 degrees F. The reactor recirculation system was operated as an alternate method of reactor coolant circulation. The Shutdown Cooling system was capable of operation at any time by manually opening the isolated suction valve if it had been needed.



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Attention: Document Control Desk

Gentlemen:

SUBJECT: Grand Gulf Nuclear Station Unit 1 Docket No. 50-416 License No. NPF-29 Shutdown Cooling Isolation Due to Blown Fuse LER 87-020-00 AECM-87/0243

Attached is Licensee Event Report (LER) 87-020-00 which is a final report.

Yours truly.

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