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SUBJECT: RO 251-79-14: on 780828 demineralizer unanticipated flow path was inadvertently provided permitting transfer of water from returning storage tank to spent fuel pit, Unit 4 shut down.

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Turkey Point Plant
August 29, 1979

TO:

Mr. J. P. O'Reilly, Director, Region II
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Atlanta, Georgia 30303

FROM:

Mr. H. E. Yaeger, Plant Manager
Turkey Point Plant - DPR 31 and 41
Florida Power and Light Company
Miami, Florida

SUBJECT:

MEMO FOR FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION TO CONFIRM
REPORTABLE OCCURRENCE 251-79-14

This memo confirms our telephone notification of the subject prompt notification reportable occurrence made Wednesday, August 29, 1979, to Mr. R. J. Vogt-Lowall of his office as follows:

OCCURRENCE - On Tuesday, August 28, 1979, an operation was performed to place the spent fuel pit purification demineralizer in service. Because of incomplete communication and failure to follow a procedure, it was not recognized that this shared demineralizer was already in service in the refueling water storage tank purification. Consequently when the correct valve alignment was made to establish the spent fuel purification flow path, an unanticipated flow path was inadvertently provided which allowed the refueling water purification pump to transfer water from the refueling storage tank to the spent fuel pit. Prior to discovery and correction of this improper configuration approximately 8000 gallons of water was transferred and resulted in a reduction of the volume in the refueling water storage tank to slightly below required by technical specifications and in the overflow of about 3000 gallons from the spent fuel pit.

CORRECTIVE ACTION - Upon discovery of this condition a Unit 4 shutdown was initiated and pursued until the required volume was reestablished in the refueling water storage tank. This was accomplished by transferring water from the spent fuel pit to the refueling storage tank. Water spilled as a result of the overflow was confined to the immediate area adjacent to the spent fuel pit and a drain system within the protected area. Cleanup and cleanup of the contaminated area was promptly initiated. Long term corrective action items are under review and will be described in the written followup report.

H. E. Yaeger
for H. E. Yaeger
Plant Manager

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