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TOLEDO EDISON COMPANY
DAVIS-BESSE NUCLEAR POWER STATION UNIT ONE
SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION FOR LER NP-33-79-129

DATE OF EVENT: November 14, 1979

FACILITY: Davis-Besse Unit 1

IDENTIFICATION OF OCCURRENCE: During performance of ST 5034.02, the seismic monitoring system was found to be inoperable

Conditions Prior to Occurrence: The unit was in Mode 5, with Power (MWT) = 0, and Load (Gross MWe) = 0.

Description of Occurrence: On November 14, 1979, at 1200 hours during the performance of ST 5034.02, Seismic Functional Test by I&C shop personnel, it was found that when the recorded tape was played back, the accelerometer traces could not be discerned due to excessive noise. This placed the unit in the Action Statement of Technical Specification 3.3.3.3 which requires the seismic monitoring system to be operable at all times.

Designation of Apparent Cause of Occurrence: The cause of this occurrence is component failure in that the excessive noise is being generated within the system.

Analysis of Occurrence: There was no danger to the health and safety of the public or to station personnel. The outline triaxial accelerometer would have been recorded graphically had a seismic event occurred. The excessive noise within the system would have only prevented analysis of the recorded magnetic tapes.

Corrective Action: The source of noise within the system is being investigated by I&C personnel under work request WR-IC-100-05-79. As of December 11, 1979, it is believed the source of the noise is the battery charger.

Failure Data: There have been no previous similar occurrences.

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