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CAUSE DESCRIPTION AND CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

Makeup to the reactor coolant system on 11/8/79 due to the plant cooldown resulted in decreasing the B BAT level from 54% to 50%. 52.2% level is required in a single BAT to satisfy the Tech. Spec. limit of 11,336 gallons. BAT A was unavailable for consideration in meeting the Tech. Spec. because it contained borated water in excess of the Tech. Spec. limit of 7700 PPM due to batching that was in progress. The minimum temperature for solubility in the A BAT was not exceeded during the batching operation. The A BAT concentration was returned to less than 7700 PPM (7504) by 1050 on 11/9/79. The additional borated water source required by Tech. Spec. 3.1.2.8 (the RWST) was operable at all times during this event.

The basis for Tech. Spec. 3.1.2.8 states, in part, that the boration capability of the system is sufficient to provide a shutdown margin from expected operating conditions of 1.0% $\Delta k/k$ after xenon decay and cooldown to 200°F. It should be noted that when the plant began its cooldown, the Tech. Spec. 3.1.2.8 requirements were met and therefore, bases of Tech. Spec. 3.1.2.8 were met during the cooldown.

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