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Reporting Relief Valve and Safety Valve Failures
and Challenges - TMI Action Plan Item 11.k.3.3

Reference a) NRC Letter dated March 31, 1982
Mr. D. B. Vassallo to Mr. A. V. Morisi

Dear Sir:

Your letter, Reference a), requests Boston Edison Company (BECO.) to commit to reporting relief valve and safety valve failures and challenges. The following definition will be applied by BECO. at PNPS for relief/safety valve failures and challenges: A failure or challenge has occurred when a relief/safety valve which is configured or declared operable to perform its intended function in its required manner, either actuates inadvertently or actuates or fails to actuate following reception of a signal to operate via high reactor pressure, auto signal (ADS), or control switch (manual).

BECO. makes the following commitment on reporting of these occurrences:

1. All relief/safety valve failures and challenges will be reported to the NRC via the Monthly Operation Report.
2. All failures to relief or safety valves (stuck open/closed) will be reported to the NRC via the Emergency Notification System within 24 hours of the event.

We trust the above information is responsive to your needs; however, should you require any additional information please do not hesitate to contact us.

Very truly yours,

Harmon R. Balfour for A.V. Morisi

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