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REFERENCE:
RII: JPO
50-321/50-366
Inspection Report
82-12

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ATTENTION: Mr. James P. O'Reilly

GENTLEMEN:

The following information is submitted in response to I&E Inspection Report 50-321/82-12 and 50-366/82-12:

VIOLATION:

Technical Specification 6.8.1 requires that procedures controlling the operation of safety-related systems be implemented. Plant Procedure HNP-1-1117, RHR Service Water, Data Package 1, requires that the motor cooling water shutoff valves be locked open and the status of the valves be double verified.

Contrary to the above, on March 1, 1982, the motor cooling water inlet valve for "A" Residual Heat Removal (RHR) Service Water Pump was found by the inspector not locked open as required by the HNP-1-1117 procedure (The valve was later determined to be open).

This is a Severity Level V violation.

RESPONSE

Admission or denial of violation: The violation occurred as stated.

Reason for violation: On February 26, 1982 the 1A RHR Service Water Pump was returned to service following maintenance. Operations such as this are controlled through the Equipment Clearance and Tagging procedure (HNP-501) rather than the full valve line-up procedure (HNP-1-1117). The clearance sheet used did not specify the cooling water inlet valve to be locked open and therefore the operator was not aware of this requirement.

Corrective steps which have been taken and the results achieved: On March 1, 1982 the valve was verified to be open and was immediately locked open as is required by HNP-1-1117. On this same date a complete valve line-up was performed on the RHR Service Water System per HNP-1-1117 with no other discrepancies found. An alpha-numerical list of locked valves has been supplied to the Shift Foremen for quick reference in determining whether or not a valve should be locked. Operating personnel have also been reminded of the importance of locking valves in the proper position.

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RESPONSE (continued)

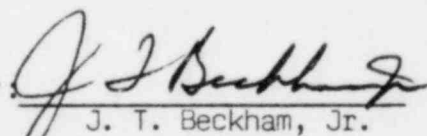
Corrective steps which will be taken to avoid further violations:
Clearance Procedure (HNP-501) will be submitted to the PRB for approval by May 18, 1982, and will incorporate the requirement for Shift Foremen to indicate any valve locking requirements on the clearance sheet.

The date when full compliance will be achieved: Full compliance was achieved on March 1, 1982.

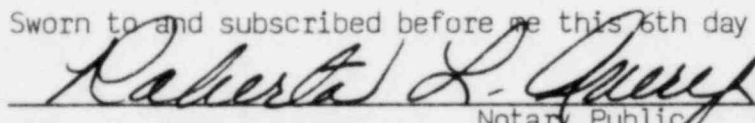
If you have any questions regarding our response to Inspection Report 82-12, please contact my office.

J. T. Beckham, Jr. states that he is Vice President of Georgia Power Company and is authorized to execute this oath on behalf of Georgia Power Company, and that to the best of his knowledge and belief the facts set forth in this letter are true.

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By 
J. T. Beckham, Jr.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of May, 1982


Notary Public


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Notary Public, Georgia, State at Large
My Commission Expires July 23, 1984

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