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Mr. Ronald C. Haynes, Regional Administrator
Region 1, U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
631 Park Avenue
King of Prussia, PA. 19406

Reference: Facility Operating License No. DPR-65
Docket No. 50-336
Reportable Occurrence RO 50-336/83-08

Dear Mr. Haynes:

This letter provides notification of Reportable Occurrence 83-08, pursuant to the requirements of Millstone Unit 2 Appendix A Technical Specifications, Section 6.9.1.8.b. This report concerns operation of the unit with a limiting condition for operation in a less conservative condition than is established in Technical Specifications. The limiting condition for operation affected was under the Plant Systems section and changes in plant operating modes were made while operating under Action Statement 3.7.8.1.

Specifically, Section 3.7.8.1 requires that all hydraulic snubbers listed in Table 3.7-1 be operable in Modes 1, 2, 3 and 4. One hydraulic snubber on a turbine Extraction Steam line was inoperable. The plant was in Mode 2, 2.5% reactor power, awaiting Steam Generator chemistry cleanup. To facilitate blowdown and cleanup requirements, the feedwater train was being transferred from Auxiliary Feedwater to the Main Feedwater Pumps. During this transfer while feeding the Steam Generators, a temperature transient caused a momentary power spike. Reactor power went to 5.5% power and immediately (within 2 minutes) returned to 2.5% power. Since 5.5% power signifies an entry into Mode 1 (greater than 5% power) while still operating under Action Statement 3.7.8.1, a prompt notification is being made pursuant to the requirements of Section 3.0.4. The hydraulic snubber was returned to operable status 3 hours later.

Further information will be provided in the two week report.

Yours truly,

NORTHEAST NUCLEAR ENERGY COMPANY

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'E. J. Mroczka'.

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