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Licensee Event Report #95-002-00, Docket #050-374 is being submitted  
to your office in accordance with 10CFR50.73(a)(2)(i).

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NRC FORM 366 (5-92)		U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION			APPROVED BY OMB NO. 3150-0104 EXPIRES 5/31/95									
<b>LICENSEE EVENT REPORT (LER)</b>								ESTIMATED BURDEN PER RESPONSE TO COMPLY WITH THIS INFORMATION COLLECTION REQUEST: 50.0 HRS. FORWARD COMMENTS REGARDING BURDEN ESTIMATE TO THE INFORMATION AND RECORDS MANAGEMENT BRANCH (MNB 7714), U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION, WASHINGTON, DC 20555-0001, AND TO THE PAPERWORK REDUCTION PROJECT (3150-0104), OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, WASHINGTON, DC 20503.						
FACILITY NAME (1) LaSalle County Station Unit 2					DOCKET NUMBER (2) 05000374		PAGE (3) 1 OF 4							
TITLE (4) Missed Technical Specification Hourly Firewatch Due to Personnel Error														
EVENT DATE (5)			LER NUMBER (6)			REPORT DATE (7)			OTHER FACILITIES INVOLVED (8)					
MONTH	DAY	YEAR	YEAR	SEQUENTIAL NUMBER	REVISION NUMBER	MONTH	DAY	YEAR	FACILITY NAME	DOCKET NUMBER				
02	03	95	95	-- 002 --	00	03	03	95	None					
									FACILITY NAME	DOCKET NUMBER				
OPERATING MODE (9)		1		THIS REPORT IS SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF 10 CFR §: (Check one or more) (11)										
POWER LEVEL (10)		100		20.2201(b)		20.2203(a)(3)(i)		50.73(a)(2)(iii)		73.71(b)				
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				20.2203(a)(2)(ii)		50.36(c)(1)		50.73(a)(2)(vii)		(Specify in Abstract below and in Text, NRC Form 366A)				
				20.2203(a)(2)(iii)		50.36(c)(2)		50.73(a)(2)(viii)(A)						
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20.2203(a)(2)(v)		50.73(a)(2)(ii)		50.73(a)(2)(x)										
LICENSEE CONTACT FOR THIS LER (12)														
NAME Karl Bowker, Operating Staff, Extension 2688								TELEPHONE NUMBER (include Area Code) (815) 357-6761						
COMPLETE ONE LINE FOR EACH COMPONENT FAILURE DESCRIBED IN THIS REPORT (13)														
CAUSE	SYSTEM	COMPONENT	MANUFACTURER	REPORTABLE TO NPDs						CAUSE	SYSTEM	COMPONENT	MANUFACTURER	REPORTABLE TO NPDs
				N										
SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT EXPECTED (14)										EXPECTED SUBMISSION DATE (15)		MONTH	DAY	YEAR
YES (If yes, complete EXPECTED SUBMISSION DATE).				X NO										

ABSTRACT (Limit to 1400 spaces, i.e., approximately 15 single-spaced typewritten lines) (16)

On February 2, 1995, at 0223 hours an Hourly Firewatch was not performed as required by Technical Specification 3.3.7.9. The missed firewatch was due to personnel error. The firewatch was established at 0300 hours on February 3, 1995 (37 minutes late).

The individual involved has been counseled concerning his actions and, in addition, all pertinent department personnel will be tailgated on this event.

This event is reportable pursuant to 10CFR50.73(a)(2)(i) due to a deviation from plant Technical Specifications.

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# PLANT AND SYSTEM IDENTIFICATION

General Electric - Boiling Water Reactor

Energy Industry Identification System (EIIS) codes are identified in the text as [XX].

## A. CONDITION PRIOR TO EVENT

Unit(s): 2 Event Date: 2/03/95 Event Time: 0223 Hours  
 Reactor Mode(s): 1 Modes(s) Name: Run Power Level(s): 100%

## B. DESCRIPTION OF EVENT

On February 3, 1995, at the beginning of Shift 1 (2330 hours), the Unit 2 Supervisor discussed scheduled shift activities with the Unit 2 Equipment Operator (EO). Among the activities discussed was an Equipment Out of Service (OOS) that would impair Fire Detection Zones 2-34 and 2-35 (761' elevation of the Reactor Building), and therefore, a Fire Impairment (043-95) was included with the OOS. Both the OOS and the Fire Impairment identified the requirement to start an hourly firewatch when the OOS was placed. The Unit 2 Supervisor did not start the Hourly Firewatch when he sent the OOS with the EO (at approximately 2330). He also failed to give the EO specific instructions to be notified as soon as the OOS was placed.

At approximately 0245 hours, the Unit 2 Supervisor learned that the OOS had been placed on Fire Detection Zones 2-34 and 2-35 at 0123 hours (the paperwork had just recently been returned to the Control Room). He immediately realized that the Hourly Firewatch had not been started. The firewatch was set at 0250 hours.

This event is a violation of Technical Specification 3.3.7.9 which requires that whenever equipment protected by the fire detection instrument is required to be operable, within 1 hour, establish a firewatch patrol to inspect the zone(s) with the inoperable instrument(s) at least once per hour. This event is reportable per 10CFR50.73(a)(2)(i), "Operations Prohibited by Technical Specifications".

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## C. CAUSE OF EVENT

The root cause of this event was personnel error on the part of the Unit 2 Supervisor. The Unit 2 Supervisor failed to start the firewatch before he sent the OOS with his EO. LAP-900-16, Step F.3.e states that the notification to Security for the firewatch must be made before the equipment is impaired, and this was not done.

## D. SAFETY ANALYSIS

The Fire Detection System is normally bypassed for areas in which welding or other activity is going to take place that would cause nuisance false alarms of the system. In these situations, a firewatch is established to provide for adequate detection and warning of fires which may result.

The safety significance is minimal because no work was in progress prior to or during this event which would have increased the potential for a fire to occur. If a fire had occurred on the 761' elevation of the Reactor Building, the smoke would rise up the two open stairwells connecting to the 786' elevation and set off Fire Detection Zones 2-36 and 2-37 which were operable at the time of the event. Twenty minutes had elapsed since the firewatch was required to be performed.

## E. CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

As soon as it was discovered that the OOS had been hung, the Unit 2 Supervisor immediately notified Security to begin the firewatch.

The individual involved has been counseled concerning his actions and the seriousness of performance lapses which result in Technical Specification violations.

All pertinent Operating Department Personnel will be tailgated on this event in order to enhance the level of awareness for firewatch requirements.

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F. PREVIOUS OCCURRENCES

LER Number	Title
92-012-00	Missed Firewatch Due to Personnel Error
90-008-00	Missed Technical Specification Hourly Firewatch Due to Miscommunications

G. COMPONENT FAILURE DATA

This event was neither the result of a component failure nor did any components fail as a result of this event.