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LICENSEE EVENT REPORT (LER)

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Brunswick Steam Electric Plant, Unit 1

DOCKET NUMBER (2)

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TITLE (4)

Unplanned Engineered Safety Feature Actuation Due to Low Voltage Spike on B Reactor Protection System

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OPERATING MODE (9)	1	THIS REPORT IS SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF 10 CFR §: (Check one or more of the following)(11)							
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LICENSEE CONTACT FOR THIS LER (12)

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COMPLETE ONE LINE FOR EACH COMPONENT FAILURE DESCRIBED IN THIS REPORT (13)

CAUSE	SYSTEM	COMPONENT	MANUFACTURER	REPORTABLE TO NPRDS	CAUSE	SYSTEM	COMPONENT	MANUFACTURER	REPORTABLE TO NPRDS

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT EXPECTED (14)

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ABSTRACT (Limit to 1400 spaces, i.e. approximately fifteen single space typewritten lines) (16)

On July 12, 1995, Unit One was operating at 100% power. Reactor Protection System (RPS) buses A and B were being fed from their normal power source, the RPS Motor Generator (MG) Sets. At 1049 hours, a half scram, half Primary Containment Isolation System (PCIS) Group 1, 2 and 3 and a full Group 6 signal was received from the B RPS trip channel. The Group 6 isolation, Containment Atmospheric Control (CAC) System, isolated the Reactor Building Ventilation and started the Standby Gas Treatment system. The trip signals reset immediately and the half scram and Group isolations were reset after verifying no abnormal parameters. Investigation into the event revealed a momentary low voltage spike in the RPS B bus voltage. The voltage drop and recovery time were too fast to trip the respective Electrical Protection Assemblies (EPAs) or the MG Set output breaker, therefore the B RPS bus did not trip. The momentary low voltage spike in the RPS B Bus voltage occurred as a result of an intermittent failure in the RPS MG Set output voltage regulator. A failure analysis is being performed on the voltage regulator. Corrective actions taken to date include replacing the voltage regulator on the 1B RPS MG Set. A supplement to this LER will be provided to address the cause of the component failure and any additional corrective actions, if necessary.

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INITIAL CONDITIONS

On July 12, 1995, Unit One was operating at 100% power. The Reactor Protection System (RPS) buses A and B were being fed from their normal power source, the RPS Motor Generator (MG) Sets.

EVENT NARRATIVE

On July 12, 1995, at 1049 hours, a half scram, half Primary Containment Isolation System (PCIS) Group 1, 2 and 3 and a full Group 6 signal was received from the B RPS trip channel. The Group 6 isolation, Containment Atmospheric Control (CAC) System, isolated the Reactor Building Ventilation and started the Standby Gas Treatment system. The trip signals reset immediately and after verifying that no actual trip setpoints were exceeded, the half scram and group isolations were reset. A troubleshooting effort was initiated to investigate the cause of the actuations. As a result of this effort, the B RPS bus was placed on its alternate power source and the voltage regulator was replaced on the MG Set. The MG Set ran at a simulated normal load and monitored for 24 hours satisfactorily. The MG Set was placed back in service and the B RPS bus was returned to its normal power source, the MG set.

CAUSE OF EVENT

A review of the process computer data logger and the Emergency Response Facility Information System (ERFIS) computer data revealed that the trip signals were generated from the logic in the Average Power Range Monitors (APRMs), B, D, and F, Drywell high pressure channel B and Main Steam Isolation Valve signals on channel B. The common factor to these trip signals is the B RPS bus power supply. During a review of additional computer data, it was discovered that the trip signals generated by the various channels were caused by a momentary spike (from approximately 115 to 97 VAC) for a duration of less than one second in the B RPS voltage. An ERFIS trace of the Emergency bus, E2, which feeds 1B RPS MG Set indicated no significant fluctuations in the power to the MG Set. Further investigations revealed that the trip signal was a momentary voltage spike from the 1B RPS MG Set caused by the voltage regulator, which regulates the MG Set generator output. The momentary low voltage spike in the RPS B voltage occurred as a result of an intermittent failure in the RPS MG Set output voltage regulator. A failure analysis is being performed on the voltage regulator. A supplement to this LER will be provided to address the cause of the component failure and any additional corrective actions, if necessary.

CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

There are four RPS MG Sets at Brunswick Nuclear Plant, Unit 1 A and B and Unit 2 A and B. The voltage regulator has been recently changed in the 2A MG Set and the 1B MG Set voltage regulator was replaced as a result of this event. The two remaining MG Set

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voltage regulators will be replaced. This will be completed by November 15, 1995.

SAFETY ASSESSMENT

The safety significance was minimal. All expected PCIS Group isolations occurred as designed on the isolation signal.

PREVIOUS SIMILAR EVENTS

None

EIIS COMPONENT IDENTIFICATION

<u>System/Component</u>	<u>EIIS Code</u>
Reactor Protection System	JD

Enclosure
List of Regulatory Commitments

The following table identifies those actions committed to by Carolina Power & Light Company in this document. Any other actions discussed in the submittal represent intended or planned actions by Carolina Power & Light Company. They are described to the NRC for the NRC's information and are not regulatory commitments. Please notify the Manager-Regulatory Affairs at the Brunswick Nuclear Plant of any questions regarding this document or any associated regulatory commitments.

Commitment		Committed date or outage
1.	Replace the voltage regulators in the 1A and 2B RPS MG Sets.	11/15/95
2.	Supplement LER 1-95-014 to address the cause of the component failure and any additional corrective actions, if necessary.	12/15/95