

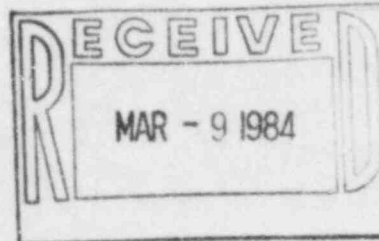


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KMLNRC 84-027

Re: Docket No. STN 50-482

Subj: Potential 10CFR50.55(e) Interim Report -
Leaking Check Valves

Dear Mr. Gagliardo:

This letter provides an interim report on a potential 10CFR50.55(e) concerning leaking check valves at Wolf Creek Generating Station. This matter was initially reported by Mr. Otto Maynard of Kansas Gas and Electric Company (KG&E) to Mr. Michael Murphy of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Region IV, on February 6, 1984.

While filling the primary system it was noted that a check valve in the high pressure coolant injection (EM) system was leaking. Investigation revealed that the valve had been disassembled and since a new gasket was not available, the bonnet bolts had only been "snug" tightened until the valve could be reassembled with a new gasket. The existing condition of the valve was documented on its traveler, but was not identified on the Turnover Exception List. A documentation review was initiated to determine if other valves could have been affected in a similar manner. Documentation packages for approximately nine hundred valves were reviewed. This review revealed a total of nine valves with incomplete work not previously identified on the Turnover Exception List. Seven of the nine valves were awaiting new gaskets for reassembly and the other two had the internals removed to support flushing activities. Although Special Instruction Sheets for these valves contained the correct information, this information was not properly transferred to the Turnover Exception List.

An investigation to determine the cause of these discrepancies resulted in the review and revision of procedures, ensuring that adequate measures exist to identify incomplete work. Other travelers addressing similar items are currently being reviewed for completeness. Any incomplete work and/or documentation identified will be listed on the appropriate Turnover Exception List. In addition to the above described actions,

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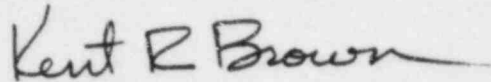
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the Constructor/Startup interface is being examined to assure that controls exist to identify and track incomplete items.

The status of this potential 10CFR50.55(e) will be carried on the monthly status update as file 53564-K122. The final report or any significant new information will be submitted by separate correspondence. In the interim, please direct any questions concerning this subject to me or to Mr. Otto Maynard of my staff.

Yours very truly,



for Glenn L. Koester
Vice President - Nuclear

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cc: RCDeYoung

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