

LICENSEE EVENT REPORT (LER)

FACILITY NAME (1) Susquehanna Steam Electric Station - Unit 1										DOCKET NUMBER (2) 0 5 0 0 0 3 18 17				PAGE (3) 1 OF 0 12		
TITLE (4) Unintentional Initiation of CREOASS and SBTG																
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OPERATING MODE (9) 4		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 NPD		CAUSE	SYSTEM	COMPONENT	MANUFACTURER	REPORTABLE TO NPD						
B	*	11512	G101810	NO												
A	*	11512	G101810	NO												
SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT EXPECTED (14)												EXPECTED SUBMISSION DATE (15)		MONTH	DAY	YEAR
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ABSTRACT (Limit to 1400 spaces, i.e., approximately fifteen single-space typewritten lines) (16)

Two initiations of the Control Room Emergency Outside Air Supply System (CREOASS) and Standby Gas Treatment System (SBGTS) were caused by pre-licensing work on Unit 2. Unit 1 is operational and the CREOASS and SBTG systems are common to both units. The first initiation occurred when a Reactor Protection System (RPS) bus tripped as designed, due to a voltage drop. The bus was connected to its alternate power supply. Unlike the primary supply, which uses a motor-generator set, the alternate supply undergoes a voltage drop during motor starts. A plant modification to install a constant voltage transformer on the alternate power supply and prevent this type of unintentional safety system initiation has been completed. The second initiation occurred when a set of test jumper cables were incorrectly removed, causing a temporary loss of power to the RPS bus. Electrical personnel (non-licensed, utility) have been counseled on jumper cable procedures.

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TEXT (If more space is required, use additional NRC Form 366A's) (17)

On March 1, 1984, with Unit 1 at 50% power, and then again on March 8, 1984, with Unit 1 in cold shutdown, pre-licensing work being done on Unit 2 caused the CREOASS and SBGT systems to automatically initiate. Both initiations occurred when the power supply to the "B" RPS bus was interrupted. This power interruption causes an automatic isolation of Zones II and III, ventilation zones in Secondary Containment, which as designed, causes CREOASS and SBGT to initiate. In addition, loss of the "B" RPS bus causes certain primary containment isolations to occur which affect equipment important to Unit availability, but not associated with Nuclear Safety. These isolations include Reactor Building Chilled Water to Recirculation Pump Motor Coolers (Unit 1 only), Containment Instrument Gas to Containment, and the Reactor Water Cleanup System. Also, a shutdown cooling loop, if in service, would isolate. Adequate procedures are in place and are used to recover from a RPS bus trip.

The first initiation occurred when a Unit 2 Recirculation Pump was started while the "B" RPS bus was connected to its alternate power supply. The starting load degraded the bus voltage by 20%, causing the bus to trip off-line as designed. This type of bus trip has occurred before, however, it will not occur when the bus is on primary power supply. A plant modification to install a constant voltage transformer in the RPS bus alternate power supply has been completed. This modification will prevent the voltage degradation and the RPS bus trip which lead to the isolations described above.

The second initiation occurred when the "B" RPS bus power supply was inadvertently interrupted by an Electrician. The Electrician was removing a bypass jumper cable that had been installed on the RPS power supply for pre-licensing testing. Due to the configuration of the installation, the jumper was on the bottom lug of the terminal, and the RPS bus power supply was interrupted when the jumper was removed. This type of installation will no longer be used and the jumper installation practices have been reviewed with Electrical personnel (non-licensed, utility).

The CREOASS and SBGT systems are engineered safeguards systems that are designed to filter and control airborne contamination. During the activities described above, both systems responded properly to the challenges. These activities were electrical in nature only, and no contamination was involved. After each initiation, the RPS bus power and containment ventilation were restored to normal. These initiations do not increase the risk to public health and safety, even if both reactors were at full power.

The installation of a constant voltage transformer in the RPS bus alternate power supply in both units also corrected the root cause of the incidents described in LER's 83-030/03L-0, 83-172/03L-0, and 84-037-00.



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Attached is Licensee Event Report 84-011-01. The Standby Gas Treatment System and the Control Room Emergency Outside Air Supply System were unintentionally initiated on March 1, 1984, and then again on March 8, 1984. These events are reportable per 10CFR50.73(a)(2)(iv).

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