

LICENSEE EVENT REPORT (LER)

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Quad-Cities Nuclear Power Station, Unit 1DOCKET NUMBER (2)
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TITLE
1A Fuel Pool Radiation Monitor Spiked High

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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 NPDOS	CAUSE	SYSTEM	COMPONENT	MANUFACTURER	REPORTABLE TO NPDOS
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SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT EXPECTED (14)

YES (If yes, complete EXPECTED SUBMISSION DATE)	NO	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)

On April 3, 1985, Unit One was operating at 100 percent of rated core thermal power. The 1A Fuel Pool Radiation Monitor (IL) spiked upscale energizing the "Fuel Pool Channel A High Radiation" alarm. The monitor reset immediately and was verified to be operable. Due to the spurious signal, the Reactor Building Ventilation System (VA) isolated and the Standby Gas Treatment System (BH) automatically started. There was no radioactive release associated with this event, and all systems and logic performed as designed.

The probable cause of these failures is surmised to be electrical "noise" interference.

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TEXT (If more space is required, use additional NRC Form 388A's) (17)

Event Description

On April 3, 1985, Unit One was in the RUN mode operating at 100 percent thermal power. At 8:35 a.m., the 1A Fuel Pool Radiation Monitor (IL) failed upscale, energizing the "Fuel Pool Channel A High Radiation" alarm. The monitor reset immediately and was verified to be operable. Due to the spurious signal, the Reactor Building Ventilation System (VA) isolated and the Standby Gas Treatment System (SBGTS) (BH) automatically started. Work Request Q41378 was written to investigate the problem. At 8:45 a.m., the Reactor Building Ventilation System was reset and started. There was no radioactive release associated with this event and all systems and logic performed as designed (with the exception of the spurious monitor spikes), therefore, the safety implications of this event were minimal.

Technical Specification 3.2.D.1 requires that two Refueling Floor radiation monitors be operable whenever irradiated fuel or components are present in the Fuel Pool. Technical Specification 3.2.D.2 allows any one of the monitors to be inoperable for a 24 hour period, then if not repaired, the Reactor Building Ventilation must be isolated and SBGTS must be operated.

This report is being submitted as required by the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 10, Part 50 73(a)(2)(iv).

Cause

The exact cause for the radiation monitor spiking has not been determined. The most probable cause is electrical "noise" interference. Although the plant instrumentation cables are shielded and are physically routed to avoid high electrical "noise" areas, the 3 to 30 microampere monitor output signal is very susceptible to electrical "noise". The Fuel Pool Radiation Monitor sensor and convertor are manufactured by General Electric Company, Model No. 194X927G-16. The indicator and trip unit are also manufactured by General Electric, Model No. 129B2802G006.

Corrective Action

Previous occurrences of this type are documented in Licensee Event Report 85-005. Instrument Maintenance personnel investigated the upscale failure and no apparent cause of failure could be found. To help isolate and identify the problem, the Instrument Mechanics switched the 1A indicator trip unit with the 1B indicator trip unit and performed a functional test. Since these trip units were switched, no spurious spikes occurred for 15 days. The spurious trips that have occurred since the 15 day period are documented in Licensee Event Report 85-012.



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Enclosed please find Licensee Event Report (LER) 85-014, Revision 00, for Quad-Cities Nuclear Power Station.

This report is submitted to you in accordance with the requirements of the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 10, Part 50.73(a)(2)(iv), which requires reporting any event or condition that resulted in an automatic actuation of any Engineered Safety Feature.

Respectfully,

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