

LICENSEE EVENT REPORT (LER)

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TITLE (4) REACTOR TRIP - RPS COMPONENT FAILURES																
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OPERATING MODE (9)		THIS REPORT IS SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF 10 CFR §: (Check one or more of the following) (11)														
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POWER LEVEL (10)		0 9 6				20.405(a)(1)(i)						50.73(a)(2)(v)		73.71(c)		
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LICENSEE CONTACT FOR THIS LER (12)																
NAME J. G. HAYNES, STATION MANAGER										TELEPHONE NUMBER 7 1 4 4 9 2 - 7 7 0 0						
COMPLETE ONE LINE FOR EACH COMPONENT FAILURE DESCRIBED IN THIS REPORT (13)																
CAUSE	SYSTEM	COMPONENT	MANUFACTURER	REPORTABLE TO NRC		CAUSE	SYSTEM	COMPONENT	MANUFACTURER	REPORTABLE TO NRC						
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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)																
<p>On 3/29/85, at 2108, with Unit 3 in Mode 1 at 96% power, the reactor tripped due to apparent low flow through Steam Generator (S/G) E-088. The trip occurred, even though Control Room indications showed only that a Channel 'C' low flow trip had actuated, which would not complete the two-out-of-four reactor trip logic. With some exceptions, control and safety systems were verified to have functioned properly and major plant parameter responses were satisfactory.</p> <p>The reactor trip was determined to be the result of two failures in the Reactor Protection System circuitry. A failure of a relay from the Channel 'A' S/G low flow bistable caused a Channel 'A' trip prior to the Channel 'C' trip. This was unknown to the Control Room, since it was downstream of the S/G low flow bistable and alarm/indication signal. Reactor trip logic was completed when Channel 'C' tripped due to failure of a setpoint card. Both of these components were replaced.</p> <p>This submittal also provides the report pursuant to Limiting Condition for Operation 3.4.7, Action Statement 'd', for RCS specific activity exceeding 1.0 microcurie/gram Dose Equivalent I-131, which was caused by iodine spiking following the shutdown.</p> <p>There are no reasonable or credible circumstances which could have increased the severity of this event.</p>																
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On March 29, 1985, at 2108, with Unit 3 in Mode 1 at 96 percent reactor power, the reactor (EIIS Component Code RCI) tripped due to apparent low flow through Steam Generator (S/G)(EIIS Component Code SG) E-088. The trip occurred, even though, Control Room indications showed only that a Channel 'C' low flow trip had actuated, which does not by itself complete the two-out-of-four reactor trip logic. Post trip investigations revealed a failed relay (EIIS Component Code RLY) in the Channel 'A' trip logic circuit, which actuates the Channel 'A' low flow trip, but did not give an indication in the Control Room. The Channel 'A' failure had occurred prior to the Channel 'C' trip and therefore, upon the Channel 'C' trip, the two-out-of-four reactor trip logic was completed.

An emergency plant shutdown was performed per Emergency Operating Instruction (EOI) S023-12-1, "Standard Post Trip Actions." Following the reactor trip EOI S023-12-2, "Reactor Trip Recovery," was performed upon completion of S023-12-1. All four reactor coolant pumps (EIIS Component Code P) remained in operation and all steam generator primary differential pressures appeared to be normal during the entire event.

The reactor trip was caused by two equipment failures in the Reactor Protection System (RPS) (EIIS System Code JC) circuitry. The first failure occurred in a relay from the Channel 'A' S/G low flow bistable to the associated contacts in its coincidence matrices. The relay remained energized but failed to keep the S/G low flow bistable contact shut on the Channel 'A' side of each coincidence matrix ladder. Since the failure occurred downstream of the S/G low flow bistable and alarm/indication signal, no alarms or indications were present to indicate a problem. The failed Channel 'A' coincidence matrix relay was replaced.

The second failure occurred in an operational amplifier in the Channel 'C' rate limited variable setpoint card (EIIS Component Code IMOD). This card provides a minimum flow signal to the RPS bistable comparator for S/G low flow to compare it to actual S/G primary differential pressure. This card failure resulted in a Channel 'C' S/G low flow bistable trip, completing the two-out-of-four reactor trip logic. The faulty card was replaced.

Four unrelated items were identified following the trip:

1. Power to Bus 3A08 (EIIS System Code EA) was temporarily lost because it failed to transfer to the reserve auxiliary transformer. The bus was re-energized by aligning it to the reserve auxiliary transformer supply breaker manually. The failure of Bus 3A08, a non-safety-related bus, to transfer from the unit to the reserve auxiliary transformer was caused by a failure in the HFA coil for Breaker 3A0804. A piece of molded plastic broke off the coil insulation and fell into the coil, preventing it from latching up. The failure of this coil is identical to that described in IE Bulletin 84-02 for safety-related HFA relay coils, all of which have been replaced at SONGS. The application of non-safety-related HFA relays is presently being reviewed to determine if replacement of the coils is warranted. The damaged coil was subsequently replaced with an upgraded coil.

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2. Immediately after the bus was re-energized, both Main Feedwater Pump Turbines (EIIS Component Code TRB), 3K005 and 3K006 tripped due to high vibration. 3K006 was reset and main feedwater restored. 3K005 was left off since it was not required. Maintenance testing of 3K005 and 3K006 was performed, however, the cause of the vibration trip could not be determined.
3. A fire suppression deluge valve (EIIS Component Code V) was activated in the vicinity of 3K006 immediately after the main feedwater pump turbine tripped. The deluge valve was reset. Our investigation into this matter is continuing.
4. Condensate Pump 3P-051's discharge overboarded below its normal trip setpoint. The Condensate System (EIIS System Code KD) was returned to normal lineup with Condensate Pump 3P-053 secured. The overboarding of Condensate Pump 3P-051 was due to an incorrect trip setpoint of 0.39 micromhos being present in the conductivity indicating transmitter. The setpoint was adjusted to its normal value of 1.5 micromhos. Additionally, since Channel 'A' S/G low level trip exhibited sluggish response, the instrument sensing line was blown down. Since this was the second occurrence of clogged steam generator sensing lines at this site (see also LER 2-84-043, Docket No. 361), all Unit 2 and 3 steam generator level sensing lines will be scheduled to be blown down during the next outage of sufficient duration.

There was no safety significance to this event, since RPS failures resulting in a reactor trip of this nature are bounded by analyses contained in the FSAR. Neither the health and safety of plant personnel nor the health and safety of the public was affected by this event.

On March 29, 1985, at 2312, with Unit 3 in Mode 3, Reactor Coolant System (RCS) (EIIS System Code AB) sample analysis indicated that RCS specific activity exceeded 1.0 microcurie/gram Dose Equivalent (DE) I-131. RCS specific activity was reduced to less than 1.0 microcurie/gram DE I-131 by purification flow at 0900 on March 30, 1985. This event was an indication of iodine spiking. Similar occurrences were previously reported in LER's 83-111, 84-005, 84-013, 84-015, 84-023, 84-037, 84-038, 84-039 and 85-001.

Pursuant to Limiting Condition for Operation (LCO) 3.4.7, Action Statement 'd', this submittal also provides the required 30-day written report for the iodine spiking following the shutdown. Additional information, required by LCO 3.4.7, Action Statement 'd', is provided in the tables below. Although the unit has a degasification path which operates continuously and takes pressurizer steam, condenses it and directs it to Liquid Radwaste, degassing history is not applicable, because this system reduces the noble gas content of the RCS but has no effect on Iodine.

Period		CLEANUP FLOW HISTORY	Average Cleanup Flow (gpm)
3-27-85, 2312 to	3-29-85, 2108		88.6
3-29-85, 2108 to	3-29-85, 2118		131.0
3-29-85, 2118 to	3-29-85, 2215		88.6
3-29-85, 2215 to	3-29-85, 2220		131.0
3-29-85, 2220 to	3-29-85, 2235		88.7
3-29-85, 2235 to	3-29-85, 2240		129.0
3-29-85, 2240 to	3-29-85, 2250		88.7
3-29-85, 2250 to	3-29-85, 2255		130.0
3-29-85, 2255 to	3-29-85, 2312		88.6

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REACTOR POWER HISTORY

<u>Period</u>	<u>Reactor Power</u>
3-27-85, 2312 to 3-28-85, 2000	100% Rated Power
3-28-85, 2000 to 3-28-85, 2300	100% to 85%
3-28-85, 2300 to 3-29-85, 0600	85%
3-29-85, 0600 to 3-29-85, 0700	85% to 97%
3-29-85, 0700 to 3-29-85, 0900	97%
3-29-85, 0900 to 3-29-85, 1100	97% to 90%
3-29-85, 1100 to 3-29-85, 1300	90%
3-29-85, 1300 to 3-29-85, 1500	90% to 96%
3-29-85, 1500 to 3-29-85, 2108	96%
3-29-85, 2108 to 3-29-85, 2312	0%

REACTOR COOLANT SYSTEM SPECIFIC ACTIVITY

<u>Date/Time of Sample</u>	<u>DEI-131 (uCi/gram)</u>
3-29-85, 2312	2.05
3-30-85, 0200	1.96
3-30-85, 0600	1.27
3-30-85, 0900	0.88

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ANALY  INTEGRATED  AND  PEAK  OUTPUT  ASSEMBLY  EXPOSURE  EDIT
FORMAT  OF  ASSEMBLY  IN  COM.  MAP
ASSEMBLY  NUMBER  -  BATCH  NUMBER
INTEGRATED  BOX  EXPOSURE  IN  10**003MWOFF
MAXIMUM  BOX  EXPOSURE  IN  10**003MWOFF
LOCATION  OF  MAP,  ASS.  MAP,  IN  8/8  HEIGHT

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1-85	2-85	3-85	4-85
5.998	7.774	7.768	5.974
7.344	9.493	9.477	7.388
34.800	34.800	34.800	32.800

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MAXIMUM INTEGRATED ASSEMBLY EXPOSURE IS 0.1208140+05 MWG/T IN ASSEMBLY 110
 MAXIMUM PEAK AXIAL EXPOSURE IS 0.1466700+05 MWG/T, OCCURRING AT 36.88 8/0 IN: CORE HEIGHT IN ASSEMBLY 100
 CORE AVERAGE EXPOSURE IS 0.9913230+04 MWG/T

BATCH AVERAGE EXPOSURES		
BATCH NUMBER	BATCH NAME	AVERAGE EXPOSURE (GMD/T)
1	A1	11.116
2	A2	11.178
3	B1	11.838
4	B2	10.657
5	C	8.742
6	D	10.184

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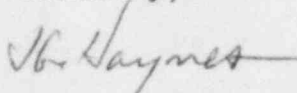
Dear Sir:

Subject: Docket No. 50-362
30-Day Report
Licensee Event Report No. 85-010
San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station, Unit 3

Pursuant to 10 CFR 50.73(a)(2)(iv) and Limiting Condition for Operation (LCO) 3.4.7, Action Statement 'd' of Appendix A, Technical Specifications to Facility Operating License NPF-15 for San Onofre Unit 3, this submittal provides the required 30-day written Licensee Event Report (LER) for an occurrence involving the Reactor Protection System. Neither the health and safety of plant personnel nor the health and safety of the public was affected by this event.

If you require any additional information, please so advise.

Sincerely,



Enclosure: LER No. 85-010

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