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LICENSEE EVENT REPORT (LER)

FACILITY NAME (1): Limerick Generating Station - Unit 1

DOCKET NUMBER (2): 0 5 0 0 0 3 5 2

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TITLE (4): Failure to Perform Required Hourly Fire Watches

EVENT DATE (5)			LER NUMBER (6)			REPORT DATE (7)			OTHER FACILITIES INVOLVED (8)	
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OPERATING MODE (9): 2

POWER LEVEL (10): 0 0 2

THIS REPORT IS SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF 10 CFR §: (Check one or more of the following) (11)

20.402(b)	20.405(c)	50.73(a)(2)(iv)	73.71(b)
20.405(a)(1)(i)	50.36(c)(1)	50.73(a)(2)(v)	73.71(c)
20.405(a)(1)(ii)	50.36(c)(2)	50.73(a)(2)(vii)	OTHER (Specify in Abstract below and in Text, NRC Form 366A)
20.405(a)(1)(iii)	X 50.73(a)(2)(i)	50.73(a)(2)(viii)(A)	
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20.405(a)(1)(v)	50.73(a)(2)(iii)	50.73(a)(2)(x)	

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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	
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SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT EXPECTED (14)

		EXPECTED SUBMISSION DATE (15)	MONTH	DAY	YEAR
YES (If yes, complete EXPECTED SUBMISSION DATE)	X NO				

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

Abstract: 85-043

With the unit at approximately 2 percent power on April 2, 1985, the required hourly fire watch was not performed within the time specified by Technical Specification 3/4.7.7. for three areas on elevation 283 of the reactor enclosure. These fire watch patrols were required because of missing internal conduit seals for telephone lines. Each of these areas were patrolled approximately 91 minutes after an earlier patrol. One individual was responsible for the three areas on the same elevation and failed to inspect these areas of the reactor enclosure. This individual has been counselled on the importance of performing and signing off these inspections within their designated time periods.

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

Description of the Event:

On April 2, 1985, the individual responsible for conducting required hourly fire watch for three areas failed to make the inspection within 60 minutes of the previous patrol. The 91-minute difference exceeds the limitations of Technical Specification 3/4.7.7.

Consequences of the Event:

The bases of Technical Specification 3/4.7.7 states that the limiting condition for operation and associated action statements are established to minimize the probability of a fire spreading to more than one area by ensuring early detection. The fire detectors in the area were operable and would have provided early detection; therefore, the consequences of this event are minimal.

Cause of the Event:

The cause of this event was personnel error. One individual was responsible for all three areas and failed to properly perform his assigned duties.

Corrective Actions:

The individual involved was counselled on the importance of performing and signing off these inspections within the designated time periods.

Action Taken to Prevent Recurrences:

The actions taken as a result of LER 85-033, which included a training session for fire watches explaining their responsibilities and technical specifications and procedural requirements, have been completed since the event of April 2, 1985 occurred. The positive steps taken to control fire watches should prevent recurrence.

Previous Similar Occurrences:

LER 85-033: The cause of the event previously reported was poor communications.

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SUBJECT: Licensee Event Report
Limerick Generating Station - Unit 1

This LER deals with the failure to meet hourly fire watch requirements of Technical Specifications.

Reference:	Docket No. 50-352
Report Number:	85-043
Revision Number:	00
Event Date:	April 2, 1985
Report Date:	May 2, 1985
Facility:	Limerick Generating Station P.O. Box A, Sanatoga, PA 19464

This LER is being submitted pursuant to the requirements of 10 CFR 50.73(a)(2)(i).

Very truly yours,

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