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On 11/13/85 with the unit in operational condition 2 (startup), vessel pressure at 850 psig, and the main turbine shutdown, a surveillance test on a level transmitter (B21-N099E) was in progress. As per procedure, technicians had isolated the transmitter and were opening the bypass valve. The bypass valve was difficult to open and the technicians used a wrench with an extension handle to open the valve. As the valve opened, the handle inadvertently bumped the low side isolation valve which caused the valve to open slightly. This caused the variable leg to drain thereby indicating a low level on all instruments on this leg. The result was an initiation of all Division I ECCS equipment (LPCS, RHR, Diesel) and an ATWS trip of the recirculation pumps.

Instrument and Controls personnel were directed to stop the surveillance and return the instrument to normal. The ECCS initiation was secured and the recirculation pumps were restarted following verification of normal reactor vessel water level. The ECCS systems did not inject into the vessel due to reactor vessel pressure being above the high pressure cutout.

The event was caused by an inadvertent valve lineup during a surveillance test. Two memoranda were written, PIC-M-85-106 and PIC-M-85-107 directing Instrument and Controls personnel to exercise caution in all operations with reactor level instruments. There was no impact on the health and safety of the public.



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Dear Sir:

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Please find enclosed Licensee Event Report No. 85-036 for River Bend Station - Unit 1. This report is submitted pursuant to 10CFR50.73.

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