On 12/5/79 Diesel Generator (DF-X-18) tripped 20 seconds after a manual start attempt due to low lube oil pressure. The failure posed no threat to continued core cooling; since the redundant diesel generator was verified operable, offsite power was available, the BOP diesel generators were operable, and the 13.2KV alternate feed was available. This event is reportable under T.S. 6.9.1.9.c as described in T.S. 3.8.1.1.

The failure appeared to be due to low lube oil level. The lube oil level was restored to the full level and the diesel was satisfactorily tested. Appropriate procedures are being revised to insure adequate lube oil level prior to starting the diesel generators.