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Office of Inspection and Enforcement  
Attn: Mr. Boyce H. Grier, Director  
Region I  
U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
631 Park Avenue  
King of Prussia, Pennsylvania 19406

Dear Sir:

Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit 2 (TMI-2)  
Operating License No. DPR-73  
Docket No. 50-320  
Licensee Event Report 81-03/03L-0

Attached please find Licensee Event Report 81-03/03L-0 concerning the Fire Protection System Deluge Valve FS-V-426A failure on February 2, 1981.

This event concerns Section 3.7.10.2 and is considered reportable under Section 6.9.1.9 of the Interim Recovery Technical Specifications.

This LER is being submitted one day late as discussed on February 4, 1981 by our Mr. S. D. Chaplin of the Licensing department with Mr. R. J. Conte, Senior Resident Inspector, TMI Program Office, U. S. NRC.

Sincerely,

/s/C. K. Hovey

G. K. Hovey  
Vice-President and  
Director, TMI-2

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Attachments

cc: L. Barrett, Deputy Program Director  
Dr. B. J. Snyder, Program Director, TMI Office

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LICENSEE EVENT REPORT

LL2-81-0064 Attachment 1

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CON'T [0] [1] REPORT SOURCE [L] [6] [0] [5] [0] [0] [0] [3] [2] [0] [7] [0] [2] [0] [2] [8] [1] [8] [0] [3] [0] [5] [8] [1] [9]
7 8 60 61 DOCKET NUMBER 68 69 EVENT DATE 74 75 REPORT DATE 80

EVENT DESCRIPTION AND PROBABLE CONSEQUENCES (10)
[0] [2] At 1145 hours on February 2nd, while performing surveillance 4333-R2, deluge valve
[0] [3] FS-V-426A failed to operate properly. Manual actuation capability was confirmed and
[0] [4] a roving fire watch implemented.
[0] [5] This is not a violation of any Tech. Spec., it is reportable under section 6.9.1.9(b)
[0] [6] due to inadvertent entry into the action statement of section 3.7.10.2. This event
[0] [7] had no effect on the plant, its operation, or the health and safety of the public.

[0] [8] [0] [9] SYSTEM CODE [A] [B] (11) CAUSE CODE [E] (12) CAUSE SUBCODE [B] (13) COMPONENT CODE [V] [A] [L] [V] [O] [P] (14) COMP. SUBCODE [F] (15) VALVE SUBCODE [Z] (16)
17 LER/RO REPORT NUMBER [8] [1] (21) (22) SEQUENTIAL REPORT NO. [0] [0] [3] (24) (26) OCCURRENCE CODE [0] [3] (28) (29) REPORT TYPE [L] (30) REVISION NO. [0] (32)
ACTION TAKEN [B] (18) FUTURE ACTION [Z] (19) EFFECT ON PLANT [Z] (20) SHUTDOWN METHOD [Z] (21) HOURS [0] [0] [0] [0] (22) (37) ATTACHMENT SUBMITTED [Y] (23) (40) (41) NPRD-4 FORM SUB. [N] (24) (42) PRIME COMP. SUPPLIER [A] (25) (43) COMPONENT MANUFACTURER [S] [2] [1] [2] (44) (47)

CAUSE DESCRIPTION AND CORRECTIVE ACTIONS (27)
[1] [0] The solenoid was dismantled but there was no apparent cause for the malfunction. The
[1] [1] parts were cleaned and reassembled. Subsequent testing showed the operator to be
[1] [2] functioning properly. The operator was reinstalled and the system returned to
[1] [3] an operable status.

[1] [4] [1] [5] FACILITY STATUS [X] (28) % POWER [0] [0] [0] (29) OTHER STATUS [Recovery Mode] (30) METHOD OF DISCOVERY [B] (31) DISCOVERY DESCRIPTION [Operator Observation] (32)
7 8 9 10 12 13 44 45 46 80

[1] [6] ACTIVITY CONTENT [Z] (33) [Z] (34) AMOUNT OF ACTIVITY [N/A] (36) LOCATION OF RELEASE [N/A] (36)
7 8 9 10 11 12 44 45 80

[1] [7] PERSONNEL EXPOSURES NUMBER [0] [0] [0] (37) TYPE [Z] (38) DESCRIPTION [N/A] (39)
7 8 9 11 12 13 80

[1] [8] PERSONNEL INJURIES NUMBER [0] [0] [0] (40) DESCRIPTION [N/A] (41)
7 8 9 11 12 80

[1] [9] LOSS OF OR DAMAGE TO FACILITY TYPE [Z] (42) DESCRIPTION [N/A] (43)
7 8 9 10 80

[2] [0] PUBLICITY ISSUED [N] (44) DESCRIPTION [N/A] (45)
7 8 9 10 80

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LICENSEE EVENT REPORT  
NARRATIVE REPORT

TMI-II

LER 81-003/03L-0

EVENT DATE - February 02, 1981

I. EXPLANATION OF OCCURRENCE

At 1145 hours on February 2nd, while performing surveillance 4333-R2, "Fire System Deluge/Sprinkler System Functional Test," deluge valve FS-V-426A failed to operate properly. When its associated heat detector was tripped the appropriate alarms were received, but the deluge valve did not actuate automatically as required.

Subsequent manual actuation of the deluge valve functioned properly upon actuation. Deluge valve FS-V-426A provides fire protection of the Emergency Diesel Generator Air Intake.

This is not a violation of Technical Specifications but this report is submitted because action statement 3.7.10.2 was entered unintentionally.

II. CAUSE OF THE OCCURRENCE

The apparent cause of this event was the malfunction of the valves solenoid operator which arrested the automatic release of the hydraulic lock in the deluge valve.

III. CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THE OCCURENCE

At the time of the occurrence, the Unit 2 facility was in a long-term cold shutdown state. The reactor decay heat was being removed via loss to ambient. Throughout the event there was no effect on the Reactor Coolant System or the core.

IV. CORRECTIVE ACTIONS TAKEN OR TO BE TAKEN

IMMEDIATE

A roving fire watch to check the affected area hourly was implemented. The manual actuation of the deluge valve was considered adequate for the required backup suppression capability required by Tech. Specs.

The solenoid was dismantled but there was no apparent cause for the malfunction. The parts were cleaned and reassembled. Subsequent testing showed the operator to be functioning properly. The operator was reinstalled and the system returned to an operable status.

LONG TERM

N/A

V. COMPONENT FAILURE DATA

Skinner Uniflow Valves  
Series L  
125 V DC Solenoid Valve