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Office of Inspection and Enforcement  
Attn: Mr. J. M. Allan  
Acting Regional Administrator  
Region I  
US Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
631 Park Avenue  
King of Prussia, PA 19406

Dear Sir:

Three Mile Island Nuclear Station, Unit 2 (TMI-2)  
Operating License No. DPR-73  
Docket No. 50-320  
Licensee Event Report 83-013/03L-0

Attached please find Licensee Event Report 83-013/03L-0 concerning the inadvertent opening of a circuit breaker on April 18, 1983.

This event concerns Sections 3.3.3.7, 3.9.12.1, and 3.9.12.2 and is considered reportable under Section 6.9.1.9(b) of the Interim Recovery Technical Specifications.

Sincerely,

B. K. Kanga  
Director, TMI-2

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Attachments

CC: Mr. L. H. Barrett, Deputy Program Director - TMI Program Office  
Dr. B. J. Snyder, Program Director - TMI Program Office

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LER 83-013/03L-0  
EVENT DATE - April 18, 1983

I. EXPLANATION OF OCCURRENCE

At 1130 hours on April 18, 1983, a Control Room Operator (CRO) went to the Control Building Cable Room to perform a switching order. The switching order was to open Breaker No. 20 in Cabinet MPC-1A. The CRO inadvertently opened Breaker No. 14 which tripped the Auxiliary and Fuel Handling Building Ventilation Systems, and the Air Intake Tunnel and Control Building Chlorine Monitors. This resulted in the annunciation of the associated alarms in the Control Room.

Upon verification of his action, the CRO realized the mistake and reclosed Breaker No. 14. The Auxiliary Building Ventilation System, Fuel Handling Building Ventilation System, and the Air Intake Tunnel and Control Building Chlorine Monitors were returned to service at 1200 hours on April 18, 1983.

This event is considered reportable pursuant to Technical Specification 6.9.1.9(b) due to entry into and compliance with the Action Statements of Technical Specification 3.3.3.7, 3.9.12.1, and 3.9.12.2.

II. CAUSE OF THE OCCURRENCE

The cause of the event was personnel error as a result of the CRO inadvertently opening the wrong breaker. Upon opening Cabinet MPC-1A, the CRO glanced at the lower section of the cabinet where he remembered Breaker No. 20 was located. The number he recognized as "20" was, in actuality, "20 amp" stamped on Breaker No. 14. Seeing the number "20", the CRO opened the breaker.

III. CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THE OCCURRENCE

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

Upon verification of his action, the CRO realized the mistake and reclosed Breaker No. 14. The Auxiliary Building Ventilation System, Fuel Handling Building Ventilation System, and the Air Intake Tunnel and Control Building Chlorine Monitors were returned to service.

Long-Term

The CRO was counseled regarding the outcome of the event.

*Operator opens wrong breaker*  
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LICENSEE EVENT REPORT

CONTROL BLOCK: 1 8 3 8 5 4 1

(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE ALL REQUIRED INFORMATION)

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EVENT DESCRIPTION AND PROBABLE CONSEQUENCES 10

0 2 | At 1130 hours on April 18, 1983, a Control Room Operator (CRO) inadvertently opened a  
0 3 | wrong breaker, thus tripping the Auxiliary and Fuel Handling Building Ventilation  
0 4 | Systems and the Control Building Chlorine Monitors. The breaker was reclosed and all  
0 5 | systems restarted. This event is considered reportable pursuant to Section 6.9.1.9(b)  
0 6 | due to entry into and compliance with the Action Statement of Technical Specifications  
0 7 | 3.3.3.7, 3.9.12.1, and 3.9.12.2. This event had no effect on the health and safety  
0 8 | of the public.

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CAUSE DESCRIPTION AND CORRECTIVE ACTIONS 27

1 0 | The CRO inadvertently mistook "20 amp" stamped on breaker 14 of cabinet MPC-1A as  
1 1 | Breaker "20". Upon verification of his action, the CRO realized the mistake and  
1 2 | reclosed Breaker 14. All systems were returned to service. The CRO was counseled  
1 3 | regarding the outcome of this event.

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