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# IOWA ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY

DUANE ARNOLD ENERGY CENTER

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DAEC - 75 - 461 December 19, 1975

Mr. James G. Keppler, Director
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Subject: Abnormal Occurrence AO 50-331/75-68

File: A-118a

Dear Mr. Keppler:

In accordance with Appendix A to Operating License DPR-49, Technical Specifications and Bases for Duane Arnold Energy Center, please find enclosed a written report on the subject abnormal occurrence.

Very truly yours,

G. G. Hunt ELH

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Duane Arnold Energy Center

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## IOWA ELECTRIC LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY

DUANE ARNOLD ENERGY CENTER
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Subject:

Abnormal Occurrence

Report Number:

AO 50-331/75-68

Report Date:

December 19, 1975

Occurrence Date:

December 11, 1975

Facility:

Duane Arnold Energy Center, Unit No. 1, Palo, Iowa

## Identification of Occurrence

Inoperable mechanical seismic snubber on main steam flow instrumentation line, reportable in accordance with Appendix A to Operating License DPR-49, Specification 1.0.4.d.

### Conditions Prior to Occurrence

Cold shutdown when occurrence detected.

### Description of Occurrence

During an inspection of the drywell it was determined that a snubber on the "A" main steam flow instrumentation line was incapable of functioning due to a bent rod.

## Designation of Apparent Cause of Occurrence

The apparent cause of the occurrence was a faulty weld between the rod and clevis mounting plate. The weld appeared to be an incomplete fillet instead of a full penetration weld. The weld was broken approximately halfway around the rod. This caused the rod to bend when force was applied to it due to normal movement of the main steam line. This type of snubber is susceptible to mechanical binding which may have contributed to the occurrence.

#### Analysis of Occurrence

Pipe stress appeared to be minimal because there was only slight pipe movement. This is verified by the fact that the weld between the rod and clevis mounting plate was not completely broken.

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## Corrective Action

A new snubber was installed. All mechanical snubbers of this type are scheduled to be replaced by an improved model during the spring 1976 refueling outage.

## Failure Data

There have been no previous failures of mechanical seismic snubbers.

Component: Mechanical Shock and Vibration Arrestor

Manufacturer: International Nuclear Safeguard
Name Plate: MSVA-1As, TT4, AT.1.5, Mark 2

#### Conclusion

This report was reviewed and approved by the DAEC Operations Committee on December 19, 1975. The Committee concluded that the occurrence did not present a hazard to the health and safety of the public.

G. G. Hunt

Chief Engineer

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