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PRAIRIE ISLAND NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT
Docket Nos. 50-282 License Nos. DPR-42
50-306 DPR-60

Response to Notice of Violation
Inspection Reports No. 50-282/89018(DRP) and 50-306/89018(DRP)

In response to your letter of July 13, 1989, which transmitted Inspection Reports No. 50-282/89018 and 50-306/89018, the following information is offered.

Violation

10 CFR 50, Appendix B, Criterion V, Instructions, Procedures, and Drawings, requires that activities affecting quality shall be prescribed by documented instructions and procedures of a type appropriate to the circumstances and shall be accomplished in accordance with these instructions and procedures. Administrative Control Directive 5ACD3.2, Work Control, Rev. 15, Step 6.14.3 requires work procedures to be at the job site and that the requirements and/or precautions shall be followed and completion of procedural steps documented.

Contrary to the above, on June 27, 1989, the 480 volt breaker for the 11 Inverter Instrument Bus II was deenergized and removed from Motor Control Center 1A1, instead of the 480 volt breaker for the 11 Battery Charger as specified by Work Request N4669.

This is a Severity Level IV violation (Supplement 1).

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Response

The No. 11 Instrument Inverter has two sources of power. One is an AC source from Motor Control Center 1AC1 and the other is a DC source from No. 11 Battery. The AC source breaker was removed from the Motor Control Center by mistake. This error did not deenergize the No. 11 Instrument Bus, since the DC source was still available. Though errors were made in removal of a breaker, at no time was any safety function made inoperable. The resulting electrical configuration met the Technical Specification Limiting Conditions for Operation at all times during this event.

Upon discovery that the incorrect breaker had been removed, the breaker was reinstalled and the correct breaker removed.

Corrective Actions Taken and Results Achieved

All personnel (with the exception of one individual on an extended vacation) involved in the event have been counseled on the importance of following procedures and work requests as written.

Prior to this event, an awareness program had been recently instituted at Prairie Island to help maintain a high threshold for attention to detail. As part of the implementation of this program, all personnel have been advised of the importance of "self checking". This program is intended to avoid events of this kind in the future.

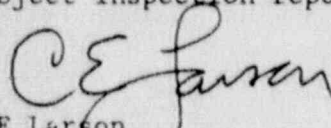
Corrective Actions to be Taken to Avoid Further Violations

The remaining individual will be counseled upon returning from vacation. This will be accomplished by September 1, 1989.

Date When Full Compliance Will be Achieved

Full compliance has been achieved.

Please contact us if you have any questions related to our response to the subject inspection reports.


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