

# Oconee 3

## 2Q/2009 Plant Inspection Findings

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### Initiating Events

**Significance:** **G** Jun 30, 2009

Identified By: Self-Revealing

Item Type: NCV NonCited Violation

#### **Failure to Adequately Implement Procedures for Draining the Reactor Coolant System**

Green. A self-revealing non-cited violation (NCV) of Technical Specification 5.4.1 was identified for the failure to adequately implement the procedural requirements for draining the RCS to 100 inches in the pressurizer, resulting in draining approximately 4100 gallons more RCS inventory than desired.

The finding was considered to be more than minor because it was associated with the initiating events cornerstone attribute of human performance and affected the objective to limit the likelihood of those events that upset plant stability and challenge critical safety functions. The finding was determined to be of very low safety significance (GREEN) based on the availability of diverse level indications and their associated low level alarms, and it was estimated that an additional 30 hours of draining would be required to approach midloop conditions. This finding has a cross-cutting aspect of personnel follow procedures (H.4(b)), as described in the Work Practices component of the Human Performance cross-cutting area.

Inspection Report# : [2009003](#) (*pdf*)

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### Mitigating Systems

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### Barrier Integrity

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### Emergency Preparedness

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### Occupational Radiation Safety

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### Public Radiation Safety

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### Physical Protection

Although the NRC is actively overseeing the Security cornerstone, the Commission has decided that certain findings pertaining to security cornerstone will not be publicly available to ensure that potentially useful information is not

provided to a possible adversary. Therefore, the [cover letters](#) to security inspection reports may be viewed.

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## Miscellaneous

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