# RAPH SUPPORT BEARING FAILURE ANALYSIS REPORT-UNIT 1

### Report / Failure analysis report / UNIT I-1/1/2018

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OCCURRENCE: Unit I RAPH A2 drive got failed22:11 hrs on 01.05.2018due to "Fluid

coupling O-ring failure"

Load: 309 MW with Mills (B, C, E, G, H). and CMC mode.

### **OBSERVATIONS FROM ALARM PAGES:**

22:41:26 Hrs : RAPH A1 On Command

22:41:30 Hrs: RAPH A2 Off command

22:45:43 Hrs: RAPH A2 On Command

22:45:50 Hrs: RAPH A1 off Command

#### **ANALYSIS:**

Unit was in service with a load of 309 MW. RAPH A with A2 drive was in service. Suddenly at 22.11 hrs flue gas outlet started increasing with decrease in mill outlet temperature, secondary air outlet, and primary air outlet in RAPH-1A. Rotor stoppage alarm not appeared in DCS. The deviation in the above parameter was noted by board operators and on local inspection it was found that RAPH A2 motor alone running with no transmission. RAPH A1 drive was started by 22:41 hrs and found no transmission as of fusible plug in fluid coupling failed. Support bearing and guide bearing temperature of RAPH 1A was maintained around 57.7°C and 50.6°C respectively. Since both drive got failed board operator decided to close the air and flue gasside dampers. But dampers could not be closed from DCS and flue gas inlet damper-2 was closed by electrical maintenance from local by 23:00hrsand flue gas inlet damper-1 was closed manually by 23:40hrs. RAPH was tried to rotate manually and observed it was not free to rotate. All the air dampers were closed from local parallelly. Since closing of flue gas dampers got delayed, it resulted in uneven expansion of modules. Later RAPH was allowed to cool. But even after cooling RAPH could not be rotated freely. It was decided to inspect the guide and support bearings. It was found guide bearing was normal&inner race of support bearing, flue gas side cold end circumferential seal of 24 nos got damaged. Then support bearing was replaced and RAPH-A was started after replacement of bearing on 11.05.2018 by 13:52 hrs.

## **CONCLUSION:**

- 1. RAPH A2 drive fluid coupling drive got failed due to drive shaft O-ring failure. Due to that fluid coupling oil level got dropped resulted in transmission failure.
- 2. On reduction of RAPH rotor speed annunciation not came as it was in disabled condition. Since commissioning of RAPH A, the speed sensor got damaged twice in RAPH 1A alone. Frequent rotor stoppage was persisting due to misalignment of existing sensing plates hence it was kept in disabled condition. RAPH stoppage alarm appeared in SOE (Sequence of events page).
- 3. Board operator immediately after assessing the deviation in parameter at 22:20 hrs should have tried to start the reserve one, which might have saved the RAPH.
- 4. If all the air and flue gas dampers are closed immediately from DCS, the severity of the damage to RAPH could be minimised.

# RECOMMENDATIONS:

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1.	RAPH rotor stoppage alarm should not be bypassed.	C&I	Immediate  Current reading made
2.	RAPH motor current reading should be made available at DCS.		Current reading made ready at DCS on 13.05.2018.
3.	Board operator immediately after assessing the deviation in parameter at 22:20 hrs should have tried to start the reserve one, which might have saved the RAPH.	Operation	Frequent monitoring is advised.
4.	If RAPH motor failed and reserve motor could not be taken in to service immediately & on sensing the raise in flue gas temperature at RAPH outlet at 22:40 hrs. Rotor should not be rotated at local. Rather it should be allowed to cool for free rotation and to be checked at local.		To be followed.

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5.	If RAPH flue gas outlet temperature crossing above 150 ° C flue temperature high annunciation may be provided for alerting board engineers.	C&I	To be implemented immediately.
6.	RAPH motor shall be changed once in a week after checking the oil level of reserve fluid coupling.	BM& Operation	To be followed.
7.	Periodical inspection of oil leak in fluid coupling to be ensured.	BM	To be followed.
8.	Periodical operation of all air and flue gas dampers from DCS by 10% inching operation to ensure the healthiness. It is to be done at partial load.	EM & Operation	To be followed.
9.	Lighting in the RAPH to be improved in bearing and drive area for the ease of inspection.	EM	To be implemented immediately.
10.	SOE display to kept regularly in one OWS monitor.	Operation	To be implemented immediately.

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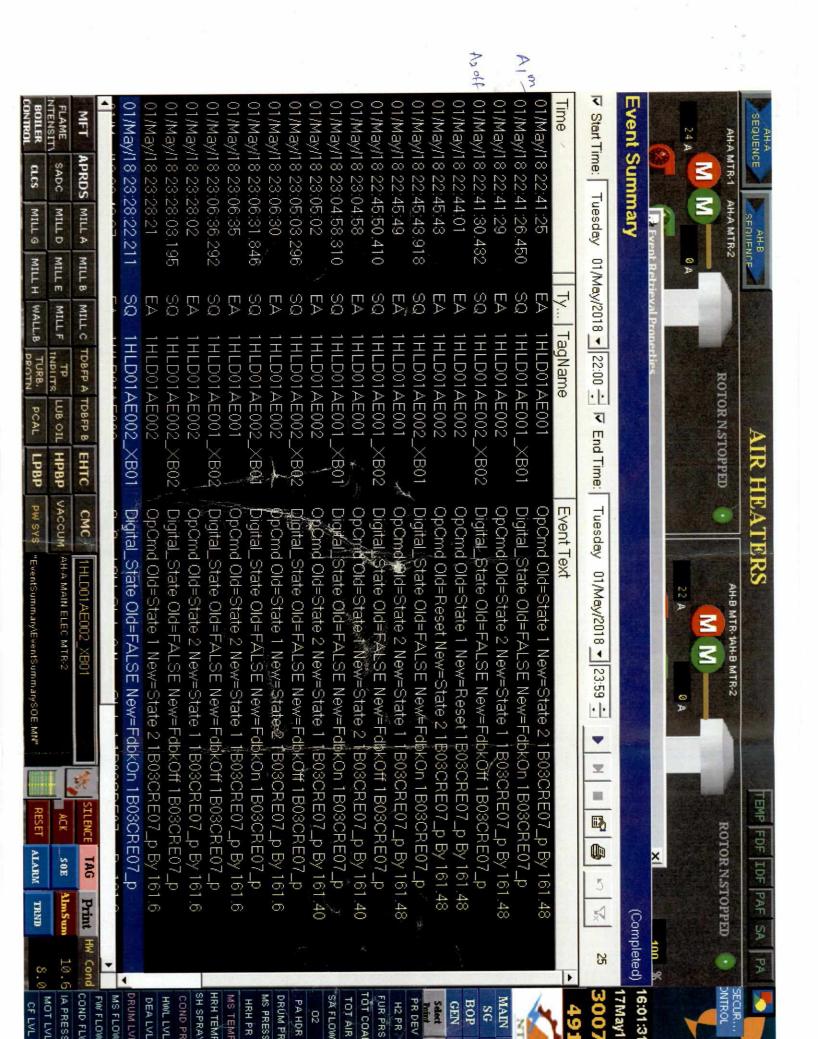
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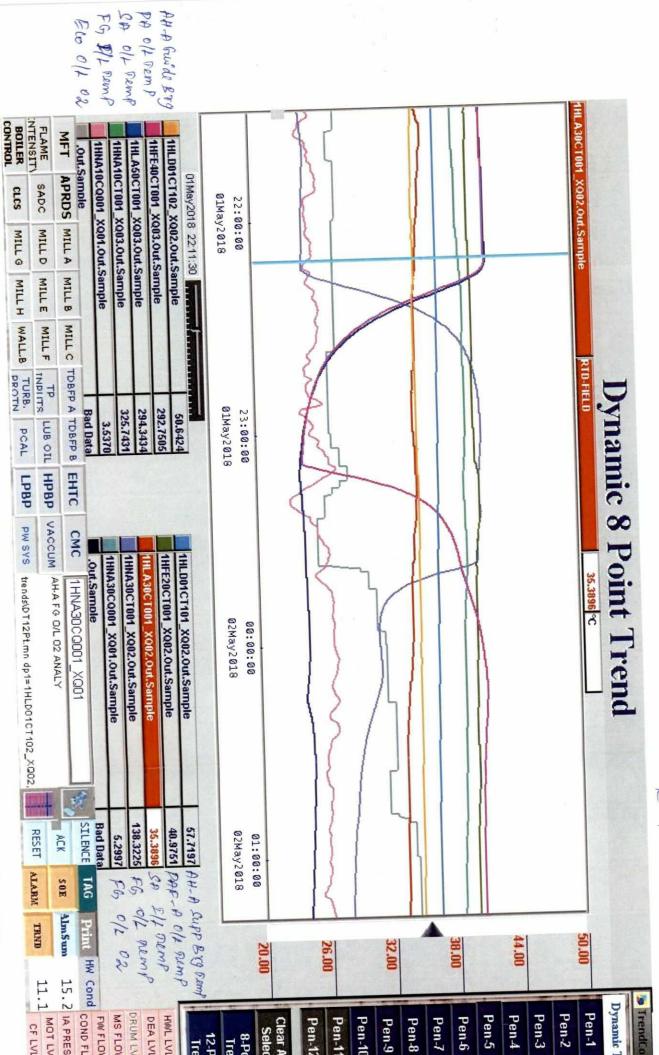
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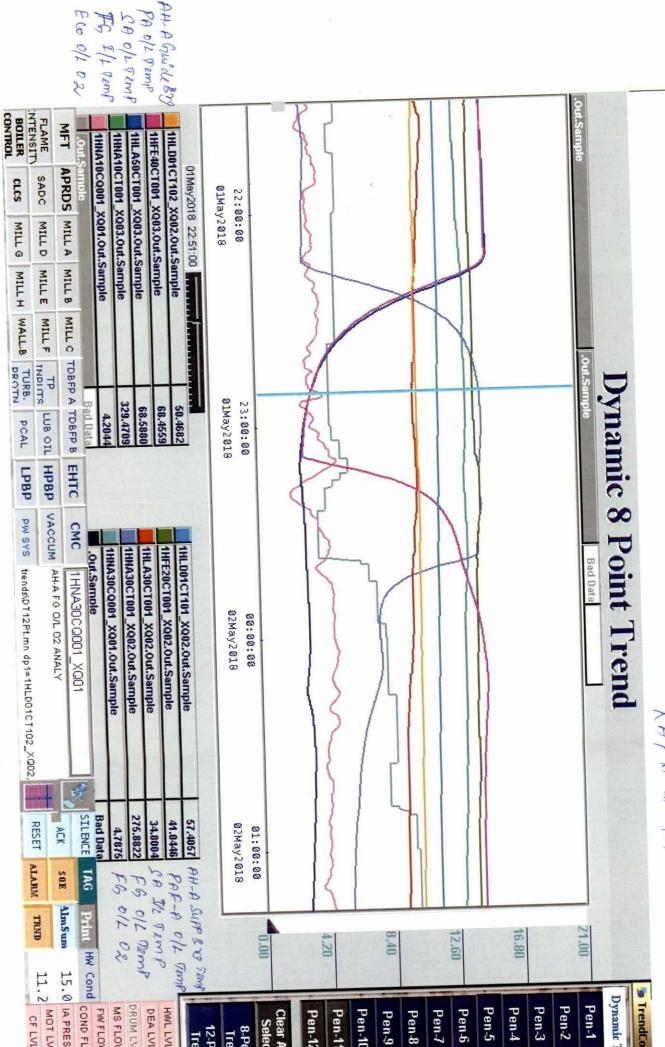


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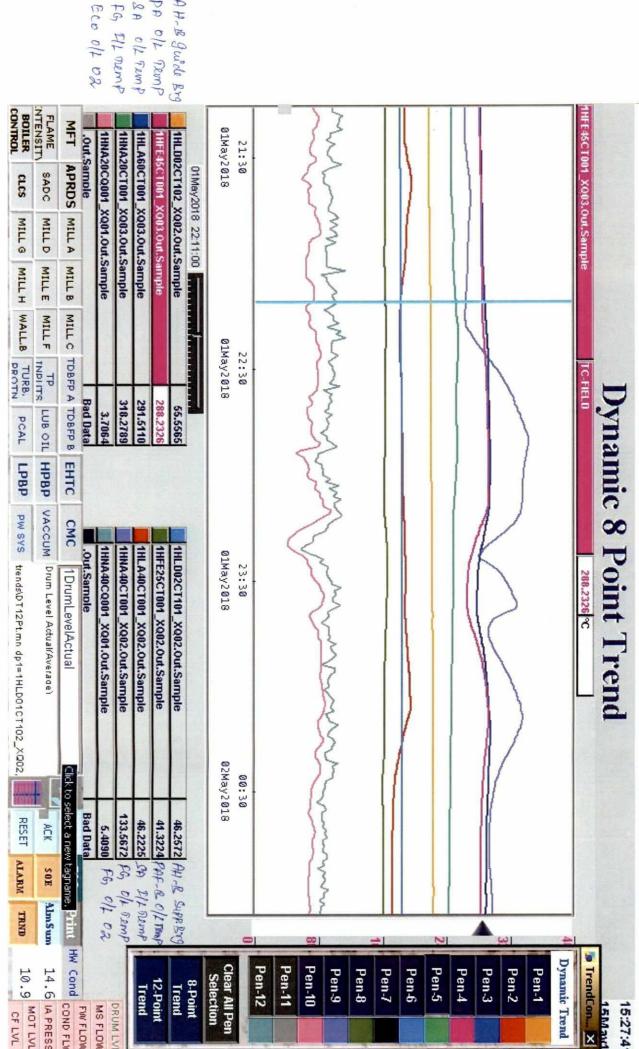


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RAPH # 1A



RAPH # 18



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