

August 11, 2007

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE -- PNO-III-08-008A

This preliminary notification constitutes EARLY notice of events of POSSIBLE safety or public interest significance. The information is as initially received without verification or evaluation, and is basically all that is known by the Region III staff on this date.

<u>Facility</u>	<u>Licensee Emergency Classification</u>
Palisades Nuclear Plant	<input type="checkbox"/> Notification of Unusual Event
Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc.	<input type="checkbox"/> Alert
Covert MI	<input type="checkbox"/> Site Area Emergency
Docket: 50-255	<input type="checkbox"/> General Emergency
License: DPR-20	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable

SUBJECT: PALISADES FORCED SHUTDOWN TO REPLACE LEAKING CONTROL ROD DRIVE (CRD) SEAL PACKAGES (UPDATE)

DESCRIPTION:

On August 9, 2008, the Palisades plant resumed operation after a maintenance outage that was started on August 5, 2008, to replace leaking CRD seals. The reactor was made critical at 6:48 p.m. EDT on August 9, 2008, and the main generator was synchronized to the grid at 4:31 a.m. on August 10, 2008. The licensee replaced five control rod drive seals during the outage.

The resident inspectors observed the licensee returning the plant to operation.

The State of Michigan will be notified. The information in this preliminary notification has been reviewed with licensee management.

This information is current as of 8:00 a.m. (CDT) on August 11, 2008.

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