

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION- REGION III

December 22, 2008

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE - PNO-III-08-013A

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.

Facility

Quad Cities Station 2
Exelon Generation Company, LLC
Cordova, Illinois
Docket: 50-265
License: DPR-30

Licensee Emergency Classification

Notification of Unusual Event
 Alert
 Site Area Emergency
 General Emergency
 Not Applicable

SUBJECT: QUAD CITIES UNIT 2 STARTUP AFTER REPAIRS TO THE STEAM PIPING BELLOWS FAILURE INSIDE OF THE MAIN CONDENSER – Update

DESCRIPTION:

This is an update to Preliminary Notification (PNO-III-08-013) related to a shutdown for Quad Cities Unit 2. On December 12, 2008, a normal plant shutdown of Unit 2 was performed to enter a planned maintenance outage early in order to investigate a partial loss of feedwater heating.

At 1:30 p.m. CST, on December 20, 2008, Exelon Nuclear Company notified the NRC Resident Inspectors that Quad Cities Unit 2 had commenced a normal reactor startup following a maintenance outage to perform switchyard work and replace extraction steam piping in the main condenser. The reactor was declared critical at 7:24 p.m. CST, on December 20, 2008. The main generator was placed onto the grid at 1:42 a.m. CST, on December 22, 2008.

Currently, the plant is in Mode 1, with power ascension to full rated electrical power in progress.

The NRC resident inspectors are monitoring the utility's on-going activities.

The information in this preliminary notification has been reviewed with licensee management.

The State of Illinois has been notified.

This information is current as of 9:30 a.m. on December 22, 2008.

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