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PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE PNO-I-01-001

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 I staff on this date.

Facility

Consolidated Edison Company of New York
Indian Point 2 Station
Broadway and Bleakley Avenue
Buchanan, NY 10511

Licensee Emergency Classification

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

Docket No.: 050-247
License No.: DPR-26

SUBJECT: INDIAN POINT UNIT 2 - REACTOR STARTUP

The Indian Point 2 reactor was taken critical at 3:50 a.m. on December 30, 2000. Consolidated Edison plans to conduct additional tests and inspections during power ascension.

The plant startup followed a 10-month outage in which Consolidated Edison conducted refueling and replaced the four steam generators. The plant was shut down and an Alert was declared on February 15, 2000, due to a tube failure in the #24 steam generator.

Prior to startup the staff issued a letter to Consolidated Edison, dated December 22, 2000, providing preliminary results of inspections and assessments as the plant neared restart. Additionally, the NRC staff notified external stakeholders (e.g., State of New York, FEMA, Local and Federal Officials) regarding the current plant status.

NRC has monitored preparations for restart and observed the approach to criticality using resident and region-based inspectors, including augmented on-shift coverage. NRC inspectors continue to follow plant testing and power-ascension activities.

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