

July 13, 2011

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE -- PNO-IV-11-005A

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 IV, Arlington, Texas, staff on this date.

**Facility**

Cooper Nuclear Station

Docket: 50-298

License No.: DPR-46

**Licensee Emergency Classification**

Notification of Unusual Event

Alert

Site Area Emergency

General Emergency

Not Applicable

SUBJECT: **(UPDATE)** Cooper Nuclear Station Declaration of a Notification of Unusual Event Due to High River Level

DESCRIPTION: This Preliminary Notification updates information discussed in PNO-IV-005. The Cooper Nuclear Station (CNS) declared a Notification of Unusual Event (NOUE) at 4:02 a.m., on Sunday, June 19, 2011, due to the elevation of the Missouri River reaching 899 ft Mean Sea Level (MSL).

At 09:47 a.m. (CDT) on July 12, 2011, CNS exited the NOUE for "High river/forebay water level > 899 MSL" because: 1) the river level has decreased from >899 ft. MSL to 895.8 ft. MSL; and 2) the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the National Weather Service both forecast the river level to remain at or near 895.8 ft. MSL for the foreseeable future.

Because the level of the Missouri River at CNS exceeds 895 ft. MSL, the licensee continues to implement their site flooding procedure. The NRC resident inspectors continue to monitor related licensee activities.

The States of Nebraska and Missouri have been notified.

The information presented herein has been discussed with the license and is current as of 10:00 a.m., July 12, 2011.

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