PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION - REGION III

November 1, 2012

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE - PNO-III-12-014

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
Prairie Island Nuclear Generating Plant
Northern States Power Company, Minnesota
1717 Wakonade Drive East
Welch, MN 55089
Docket: 50-282, 50-306 and 72-010
License: DPR-42, DPR-60 and SNM-2506

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

SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF UNUSUAL EVENT AT PRAIRIE ISLAND

DESCRIPTION:

On October 31, 2012, the licensee declared an Unusual Event at 2:18 p.m. based upon a security condition at the site. Compensatory measures were put in place. There was no release of radioactive materials and no hostile activity at the site. The licensee exited the Unusual Event at 5:54 p.m.

The resident inspectors were on site and monitored plant activities. Additionally, regional specialists followed plant activities and assisted the resident inspectors.

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

This information is current as of 10:00 a.m. on November 1, 2012.

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