

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION

September 6, 1979

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE--PNO-79-399

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

Facility: Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company  
Perry Units 1 and 2 (DN 50-44C and DN 50-44I)  
Lake County, Ohio

Subject: SAFETY RELATED STRUCTURAL STEEL STOP WORK ORDERS

On September 6, 1979, Region III was notified by Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company (CEI), that CEI is issuing stop work orders on the five Perry Site contracts held by Newport News Industrial Corporation (NNIC). The licensee stated that the stop work orders are the result of an extensive CEI audit of NNIC activities and, although the audit found no evidence of poor workmanship, the documentation of activities and verification of quality by NNIC have been inadequate.

Region III plans to followup during the next scheduled inspection.

The licensee plans no press release on this matter, although local press attention appears likely because of layoffs which may result.

Region III received notification at 11:00 a.m. on September 6, 1979. The State of Ohio is being notified.

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