

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION

Date: April 2, 1980

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE--PNO-I-80-53

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Facility: Boston Edison Company
Pilgrim, Unit 1 (DN 50-293)
Plymouth, Massachusetts

Subject: OPERATIONS PERSONNEL HONOR PICKET LINE

At about 3 PM on April 1, 1980, the laborers who had gone out on strike earlier extended their picket lines to all entrances to the plant. Licensed operations personnel who were union members refused to cross the picket lines. At 6:30 AM, April 2, 1980, the laborers moved their picket lines back to the contractors gate and licensed union personnel returned to work via the nonpicketed gate. During this time, the licensee was loading fuel into the vessel. Only licensed personnel who had been on shift for less than twelve hours were physically moving fuel (2 SRO's) or standing SRO watch in the control room. The remaining five RO's assumed duties on the control panels for two hour watches (One RO at a time and no assigned duties when not on the panels).

Neither the licensee nor the NRC plan a press release at this time. Media interest is expected due to the sensitivity of the press to labor problems at Pilgrim. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has been notified.

This PN is issued for information only. The NRC was notified by the licensee at 8:46 PM on April 1, 1980 via the OPX line.

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