

December 7, 1979

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF SAFEGUARDS EVENT--PNS-TMI-79-01

This preliminary notification constitutes EARLY notice of events of POSSIBLE national security 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: Metropolitan Edison Company
 Three Mile Island, Units 1 and 2
 Middletown, Pennsylvania
 Docket Nos. 50-289 and 50-320

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SUBJECT: RUMOR OF BOMB THREAT

At 11:30 a.m. today a Metropolitan Edison Company operator at Reading, Pennsylvania, received an anonymous telephone call. The caller asked the operator about "the rumor that they were going to bomb TMI," which the caller had reportedly heard yesterday and today. The caller then stated "Well, you better close it down," and abruptly ended the conversation.

The above call was promptly reported to the Station Security Manager, who notified the FBI, state police, and company management.

The licensee has initiated a 100% hands on search upon entry to the Protected Area and Vital Areas. All visitors and visitor vehicles will be given a detailed search upon entry to the owner controlled area for the next few days. No plant search is being made at this time.

The NRC on-site staff was notified of this event at 1:00 p.m. on December 7, 1979. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has been notified.

Media interest is expected because of continued high interest in site activities. A press release is not planned by the licensee or NRC.

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