

DMB

November 12, 1981

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE--PNO-III-81-100

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 IE staff on this date.

Facility: Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company
Perry, Unit 1 (Docket No. 50-440)
North Perry, OH

Licensee Emergency Classification:
 Notification of Unusual Event
 Alert
 Site Area Emergency
 General Emergency
 X Not Applicable

Subject: POSSIBLE CONTAINMENT STEEL WELD DEFECTS

On November 10, 1981 the erector of the containment steel for Perry Unit 1 (Newport News Industrial Corporation) was informed by craft welders that they had been directed by their foreman to mask defects or any possible defects so as to prevent detection by the Quality Assurance inspection program. This matter was subsequently reported to RIII by the erector on November 12, 1981, as a Part 21 report.

The erector has issued a stop work order for these activities under the supervision of the foreman in question, and issued a nonconformance report to define the scope of the problem and corrective action necessary to resolve the problem. The responsible foreman has been terminated and the liable construction superintendent has been suspended and removed from the site.

This Preliminary Notification is issued for information only.

Region III inspectors are following the licensee actions.

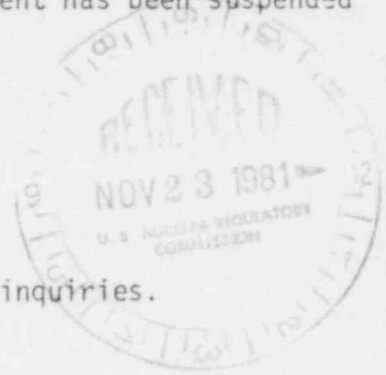
The licensee is not planning to issue a press release at this time.

Region III does not plan a press release but will respond to media inquiries.

The State of Ohio will be notified.

Region III received notification of this event from Newport News Industrial Corporation on November 12, 1981 and this information is current as of 3:30 p.m. on November 12, 1981.

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