

March 24, 1982

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE -- PNO-IV-82-10-A

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 NRC staff on this date.

FACILITY: Nebraska Public Power District
Cooper Nuclear Station
Docket No. 50-298

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

SUBJECT: EARLY WARNING SYSTEM OPERABILITY

As previously reported in PNO-IV-82-10 on March 11, 1982, NRC inspectors from RIV discovered that the licensee's Early Warning System (EWS) was not fully operational.

A Confirmatory Action Letter was sent to the licensee on March 12, 1982, containing the actions required to make the EWS fully operable. The licensee responded on March 19, 1982, that these actions had been completed. A follow-up inspection was initiated on March 22, 1982, to verify that the licensee had completed the required actions by the committed due date of March 20, 1982.

As of March 23, 1982, the NRC inspectors at the site have confirmed that the action items contained in the Confirmatory Action Letter are short-termed complete and that implementation of long term programs has been initiated. Additional verification of the analysis of the minimum required mobile sirens and revised route maps will be conducted by Region IV. The licensee has committed in their March 19, 1982 letter, to complete their actions on these two items by April 20, 1982.

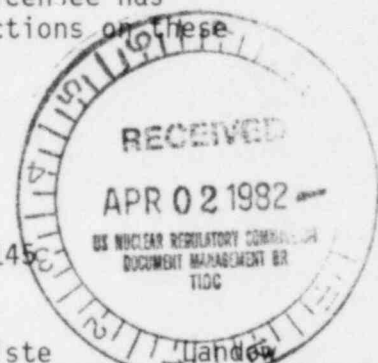
No press release is being issued by Region IV or the licensee.

Cooper is a Boiling Water Reactor.

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