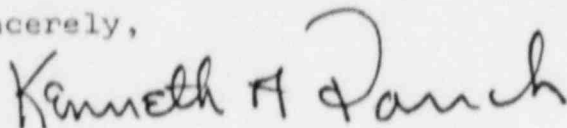


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appreciate clarification of the guidance contained in NUREG-0654, Appendix 3, page 3, B.2.a. This sentence reads as follows: "capability for providing both an alert signal and an informational or instructional message to the population on an area wide basis throughout the 10 mile EPZ, within 15 minutes". Our question relates to the content of the "informational or instructional messages." Specifically, can this standard be met with an initial message which notifies all persons within the EPZ that a health-threatening, or potentially health-threatening incident has occurred at a particular nuclear plant, and a request that residents stay tuned for further details? (This initial message would be followed promptly with specific instructions for residents in the specific geographic area affected.) This question has developed as a result of recent nuclear power plant exercises. Our experience during these exercises has demonstrated that even with the existence of pre-developed public information messages, it is extremely difficult to disseminate, within the required 15 minutes, an "informational or instructional message" which is completely specific as to the geographic area affected. This is especially true for those frequent instances when the deterioration of the "accident" situation at the plant results in more than one Protective Action Guide recommendation, and correspondingly, the involvement of more than one geographic area, at the same time.

We would certainly appreciate your review of both of these matters. We look forward to hearing from you, regarding their resolution, in the near future.

Sincerely,



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2.0 Notification

The emergency action levels and condition classifications are discussed in Section 1.0. When an emergency is declared, EPP-2 provides a notification list of home telephone numbers for those emergency response organization personnel who are to respond to each EAL. This procedure also includes the 24-hour telephone numbers of the local, state, federal and private sector support agencies who are to be contacted, excluding the NRC, which is notified by a direct-ring hot line from the Control Room. All telephone lists contained in the implementing procedures are updated quarterly.

2.1 Initial Notification

2.1.1 After declaration of an Emergency Condition, the Shift Supervisor will ensure that the following personnel and agencies are notified as applicable for the Emergency Classification level:

- NRC Operations Center
- Plant Superintendent (Onsite Emergency Response Director) or alternate
- Assistant General Manager-Power (Emergency Control Director) or alternate
- Vernon County Sheriff's Office
- Wisconsin Division of Emergency Government

2.1.2 The Onsite Emergency Response Director shall notify the Emergency Control Director for an Alert, Site Area Emergency and General Emergency. Subsequent notification of additional key members of the DPC emergency response organization shall be made by the Emergency Control Director or his designee.

2.1.3 The Vernon County Sheriff shall notify local and state government agencies as specified in the Wisconsin and Minnesota emergency response plans.

2.1.4 The Wisconsin Division of Emergency Government notifies various involved local, state and federal agencies and request assistance as needed.

2.1.5 The authenticity of emergency response notifications provided to the Vernon County Sheriff's Office are verified by return telephone call to the EOF or initially LACBWR. This information is detailed in the Wisconsin Emergency Response Plan.

(7) Report results of contamination survey and the decontamination effort to the RAD as soon as the results become available.

4.5.9 The CAS operator will assist the Shift Supervisor in communication and notification. An automatic dialer to accelerate notification of primary LACBWR emergency response personnel is located in the CAS. To notify key individuals carrying pagers, use buttons 1A and 2A on automatic dialer or call 783-8466 and 637-2860. When the beeping (wailing for 637-2860) stops, the CAS operator should clearly state: "REPORT TO YOUR RESPONSE STATION," repeat message twice more, and then cancel the call.

4.5.10 Notify the Vernon County Sheriff via (637-2123) or (637-2910) or (637-2992) or NAWAS and Wisconsin Warning Center 1 via NAWAS or (266-3232) and Wisconsin Warning Center 3 via NAWAS or (372-3251) that a general emergency is being declared and that the offsite agencies should be activated. The message should state: "This is (Caller's Identification) calling from the La Crosse Boiling Water Reactor. A General Emergency has been declared at LACBWR. Immediate notification of the public is warranted. Assistance from your agency is requested immediately and we recommend that you implement your Emergency Response Plan immediately. The General Emergency is (brief narrative description of the event)"

(STA or Duty Shift Supervisor)

4.5.11 Have the Health Physics Technician begin calculating offsite dose estimates as per EPP-5.

(Duty Shift Supervisor)

4.5.12 Activate the Technical Support Center by calling personnel listed on the Technical Support Center roster (Appendix B).

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