PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE -- PNO-III-82-115 Date: October 25, 1982

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 the staff on this date.

Facility: Cincinnati Gas & Electric Co.

Zimmer Nuclear Power Station

Docket No.50-358 Moscow, OH 45153 Licensee Emergency Classification: Notification of Unusual Event

Alert

Site Area Emergency
General Emergency
Not Applicable

Subject:

25 PER CENT REDUCTION IN WORK FORCE

Cincinnati Gas & Electric is planning to reduce the work force at the Zimmer Nuclear Power Station construction site by about 25 per cent, laying off 450 to 500 praftsmen.

The utility informed Region III (Chicago) that the lay-offs were the result of a reevaluation of the available work and work schedules. The lay-offs will begin October 26, 1982. Region III was also informed that a quality control inspector, who had been interviewed extensively as part of the ongoing NRC investigation at Zimmer, was to be discharged October 25, 1982. The reason for the discharge is not related to the individual's job performance or to providing information to the NRC, according to the licensee.

The utility will issue a news announcement on the work force reduction. Region III will respond to any inquiries. Considerable news media interest is expected.

The State of Ohio will be notified.

Region III learned of the possible work force reduction on October 22, 1982 and at 2 p.m. (CDT), October 25, the utility confirmed that the lay-offs would occur. This information is current as of that time.

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