PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE -- PNO-III-83-18 Date: March 16, 1983

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.

	Commonwealth Edison Zion Units 1 and 2	Company	Licensee Emergency Classification: Notification of Unusual Event		
	Docket Nos. 50-295;	50-304	Alert		
	Zion, IL 60099		Site Area Emergéncy General Emergency		
			xx Not Applicable		

Subject: PROTECTED AND VITAL AREA ENTRY IN UNAUTHORIZED MANNER (TAILGATING)

Late on March 14, 1983, the Senior Resident Inspector learned that on February 28, 1983, a contractor employee, who had been previously authorized to enter the plant, gained entry to both the protected area and a vital area in an unauthorized manner. He accompanied a second contractor employee who did gain entry in the proper manner. They remained together until discovered. When discovered, the first individual was escorted out of the vital and protected areas, and later reentered the plant in the proper manner.

Two Region III (Chicago) physical protection specialists were dispatched to the site on March 15, 1983, to look into the matter and ascertain the facts. They learned that subsequent to the event, the two contractor employees at the facility were terminated for violating security requirements and a third individual (a security guard supervisor) for failure to take appropriate action.

Neither the licensee nor Region III plan to issue a news announcement.

The State of Illinois will be notified.

Region III was notified of this incident at approximately 3:00 p.m. (CST) on March 14, 1983. This information is current as of 11 a.m., March 16, 1983.

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