

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: Illinois Power Company  
 Clinton 1  
 (Docket No. 50-461)  
 Clinton, IL

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

Subject: FIRING OF ELECTRICAL QC INSPECTORS

DESIGNATED ORIGINAL

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On January 27, 1982, two Baldwin Associates QC inspectors were fired. They have alleged to the Resident Inspector and Region III (Chicago) investigators that their firing was related to statements they had made to NRC. These inspectors had been involved with safety related electrical work which is currently under investigation by Region III. Region III management has confirmed in a telephone conversation with Illinois Power Company management that the inspectors were fired, and has expressed concern over the consequences of this action being taken while an investigation is being conducted. Region III investigators are continuing their investigation into this matter. Media and public interest is expected.

A Confirmation of Action Letter was issued on January 27, 1982 to confirm that the licensee's stop work order will remain in effect until Region III is assured that safety related electrical work can be adequately performed and controlled. A meeting with the company is planned for January 29, 1982 to discuss the licensee's planned corrective actions.

The State of Illinois will be notified. Neither the licensee nor Region III is planning a press release.

Region III received notification of this situation from NRC inspectors at the site on January 27, 1982. This information is current as of 8:30 a.m. on January 28, 1982.

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