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PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE--PNO-V- 81-20

Date: April 10, 1981

This preliminary notification constitutes EARLY notice of events of POSSIBLE safety or public interest significance. The information presented is as initially received without verification or evaluation and is basically all that is known by IE staff on this date.

Facility: Washington Public Power Supply System
Washington Nuclear Project No. 5
Elma, Washington
Docket Nos. 50-509

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Subject: CONSTRUCTION WORKER FATALITY

The Region V office was notified by the on-site Resident Inspector at 11:23 a.m. on April 10, 1981 that at about 11:15 a.m. a welder was killed instantly when he fell from the top to the inside bottom of the containment vessel, a distance of approximately 200 feet. Chicago Bridge and Iron Company is the construction contractor for the containment vessel. No additional information related to the cause of the accident is available at this time.

The licensee has notified the State of Washington and will be issuing a press release.

The most recent information on the accident was obtained from the NRC on-site Resident Inspector at 1:00 p.m. on April 10, 1981.

This item is submitted for information only and is closed for reporting purposes.

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