

June 15, 1994

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE PNO-II-94-030

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 Region II staff on this date.

Facility

American Ecology (Quadrex)
Oak Ridge, Tennessee
License No: TN-R-01-037

Licensee Emergency Classification

Notification of Unusual Event
Alert
Site Area Emergency
General Emergency
X Not Applicable

Subject: DEATH OF MAINTENANCE WORKER

Tennessee, an Agreement State, notified NRC, Region II that a licensee employee died while working the night shift on Tuesday night, June 14, 1994. The employee was performing maintenance on a HEPA system, located inside a restricted area at the facility.

Preliminary information indicates that the employee died from natural causes.

Local authorities are conducting an inquiry, and the Occupational Safety and Health Agency has been notified.

Local media interest is expected. This information is current as of 11:15 a.m., CDT, on June 15, 1994.

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