

December 13, 1982

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE -- PNO-IV-82-48

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 NRC staff on this date.

FACILITY: Arkansas Nuclear One, Unit 2
Russellville, Arkansas
DN 50-368

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

SUBJECT: SHUTDOWN FOR MORE THAN TWO DAYS

On December 11, 1982, the unit tripped from 97% power due to a dropped control element assembly (CEA). Investigation indicated that the upper gripper coil for part length CEA number 26 had failed. The unit was cooled down to facilitate repairs.

Neither Region IV nor the licensee plan a press release.

Region IV was notified of the trip and outage by the SRI on December 13, 1982.

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