PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE--PNO-III-83 -83-88 Date September 23, 1983

This preliminary notification constitutes EARLY notice of events of POSSIBLE national security 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.

Facility:	American Electric Power Serv.	Licensee Emergency Classification:		
	D.C. Cook Unit 1	Notification of an Unusual Event		
	Stevensville, MI 49127	Alert		
	Docket No. 50-315	Site Area Emergency		
		General Emergency		
		xxx Not Applicable		

Subject: RESIGNATION OF TWO LICENSED OPERATORS IN DOCUMENT FALSIFICATION INCIDENT

Two licensed senior reactor operators, one a unit supervisor, submitted their resignation September 23, 1983, after a licensee investigation determined they were involved in falsifying a document related to a surveillance test.

During a monthly surveillance test of the Unit 2 containment spray system, a valving error led to draining of approximately 1,000 gallons of water from the reactor water storage tank into the containment annulus through the containment spray system.

The licensee's investigation determined that a senior reactor operator had attempted to prepare, after-the-fact, a valve restoration document in connection with the valving problem. The unit supervisor, also a licensed senior reactor operator was aware of the preparation of the questionable document. According to the licensee, the two individuals also made misleading statements during the investigation of the document incident.

The licensee suspended site access for the two individuals on September 22, 1983. During interviews with the two individuals submitted their resignations (although the licensee indicated its intention to terminate the two). Disciplinary action will also be taken against a non-licensed auxiliary operator involved in the valving error, but not in the preparation of the questionable document.

The Senior Resident Inspector has been following the licensee's activities in this matter. The Office of Investigations has been informed of the incident.

Neither the licensee nor Region III (Chicago) intend to issue a news announcement at this time.

The State of Michigan will be notified.

Region III was notified of this incident by the Senior Reactor Inspector at 3 p.m., on September 23, 1983. This information is current as 97 4:30 p.m., (CDT) September 23, 1983.

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