

February 13, 1992

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE -- PNO-IV-92-12

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 IV staff on this date.

FACILITY: Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corp. Licensee Emergency Classification:
Wolf Creek Generating Station
Docket: 50-482

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

SUBJECT: APPARENT HEART ATTACK RESULTING IN DEATH OF NONLICENSED OPERATOR

On February 13, 1992, at approximately 7:35 a.m. (CST) a nonlicensed operator (water plant operator) suffered an apparent heart attack. The individual was in the water treatment area of the maintenance shop, which is located inside the protected area. Cardiopulmonary resuscitation was initiated immediately and the physicians' assistant arrived within 5 minutes to provide medical attention. Onsite emergency medical technicians also assisted. At 8:10 a.m. an ambulance arrived on site to transport the individual to Coffey County Hospital in Burlington, Kansas. The individual was pronounced dead at the hospital at 8:42 a.m.

The individual had assumed the shift at approximately 7 a.m. At the time of the apparent heart attack, the individual was not involved in strenuous physical activity. The individual was not exposed to radiation nor was he contaminated.

The licensee plans to issue a press release.

The state of Kansas will be informed.

Region IV received notification of this occurrence by telephone from the Resident Inspector at 9:25 a.m. Region IV has informed the EDO, NRR, and PA.

This information has been confirmed with a licensee representative.

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