PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE PNO-III-92-06 February 18, 1992

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

Facility: Quad Cities Unit 1

Docket No. 50-254

Licensee Emergency Classification
General Emergency Site Area Emergency
Alert X Unusual Event N/A

SUBJECT: LOSS OF ANNUNCIATORS

At approximately 10:40 p.m. (CST), with Quad (ities Unit 1 in a maintenance outage, the licensee experienced a loss of all Unit 1 annunciators in the control room. The loss was caused by a degradation of the annunciator main fuses that occurred when lightning struck the station's 345 kV switchyard.

The licensee declared an Alert as required by the site emergency plan. The licensee investigation determined that the main fuse degradation was due to a power surge caused by the lightning strike. The annunciators were declared operable after replacing the main fuses. With no other problems identified after walking down all annunciator panels, the Alert was terminated at 11:54 p.m. Unit 2 was in a refueling outage and was not affected by this event.

Unit 1 commenced a startup at 6:15 a.m. (CST) on February 18, 1992, after completing the maintenance outage.

The state of Illinois was notified.

The information in this preliminary notification has been reviewed with licensee management.

The licensee notified the NRC Operations Center of the loss of the annunciators at 12:32 a.m. (CST) on February 15, 1992.

This information is current as of 11:00 a.m. (CST) on February 18, 1992.

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