DCS No: 50-278840821 Date: August 21, 1984

## PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE--PNO-I-84-71

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 I staff on this date.

Facility: Philadelphia Electric Company
Peach Bottom Unit 3
Docket No. 50-278

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

Subject: UNSCHEDULED PLANT SHUTDOWN

The reactor automatically scrammed from 100% full power at 2:01 p.m. on August 21, 1984, due to low reactor water level caused by an apparent feedwater control system failure. The scram caused shrinkage in vessel water level below the low-low setpoint which resulted in a PCIS Group I isolation, tripped the recirculation pumps, and automatically started the HPCI and RCIC systems which restored water level to the normal band. No relief valves opened and there was no abnormal release of radioactivity. No other engineered safeguards systems were called upon to operate. The resident inspector responded to the control room at 2:15 p.m. to observe plant operators stabilize the plant in accordance with scram recovery procedures.

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has been notified.

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