

Date: October 16, 1992

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE--PNO-I-92-60

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:

Niagara Mohawk Power Corp.
 Nine Mile Point Unit 1
 Oswego, New York
 Docket No. 50-220

Licensee Emergency Classification:

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

Event No.:

Event Location Code: POW

Subject: LESS THAN REQUIRED SHIFT MANNING

On 10/15 the plant manager notified the resident inspectors that, for approximately five minutes, on the afternoon of 10/9 there was no senior reactor operator (SRO) in the control room. One SRO (assistant station shift supervisor) was touring in the plant, when the other SRO (station shift supervisor) left the control room to discuss repair work with personnel in a conference room, located approximately 40 feet from the control room.

It appears that the licensee internal problem identification process was not followed for this event. Senior plant management did not become aware of the issue until 10/15/92. Niagara Mohawk removed the station shift supervisor from shift and is performing an internal investigation.

The resident inspectors are onsite monitoring the licensee's investigation.

No press activity has occurred.

The State of New York will be notified.

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