

September 13, 1988

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PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE -- PNO-IV-88-76

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. Wolf Creek Docket No. 50-482	Licensee Emergency Classification: <input type="checkbox"/> Notification of Unusual Event <input type="checkbox"/> Alert <input type="checkbox"/> Site Area Emergency <input type="checkbox"/> General Emergency <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable
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SUBJECT: PERSONNEL ELECTROCUTION

At about 2:00 p.m. (CDT), the resident inspectors reported that two contractor electricians at Wolf Creek had received an electrical shock while pulling 480V cables in the overhead on the second level of the auxiliary building. One individual did not respond to CPR attempts onsite and both were transported to the hospital via ambulance. There was no radiological contamination involved with this event and no effect on plant operation. The licensee has formed a safety investigation team to review the cause of this event. Subsequent information received by Region IV was that one electrician was dead on arrival at the hospital and the other was injured but not seriously.

Preliminary unconfirmed information received was that the electrician may have slipped and grabbed a conduit for support. The conduit came loose and cut into a 480V lighting cable inside the conduit. The conduit became energized and caused the electrocution.

The resident inspectors were onsite and responded to the event. The resident inspectors will continue to monitor licensee actions.

The licensee plans to issue a press release.

Region IV received notification of this occurrence by the resident inspector from Wolf Creek at 2 p.m. Region IV has informed the EDO office and NRR. A Commissioner assistant briefing has also been conducted.

This information has been confirmed with a licensee representative.

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