

November 5, 1998

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE

PNO-IV-98-051

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 Region IV staff in Arlington, Texas on this date.

Facility

Wolf Creek Nuclear Oper. Corp.  
Wolf Creek 1  
Burlington, Kansas  
Dockets: 50-482

Licensee Emergency Classification

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

Subject: FLOODING IN THE VICINITY OF WOLF CREEK GENERATING STATION

As a result of high rainfall and excessive runoff in the vicinity of Wolf Creek Generating Station, the Army Corps of Engineers has increased the flow of water from the John Redmond Reservoir, located near the Wolf Creek Generating Station site, into the Neosho River. Although some local flooding has occurred in low lying areas in the town of Burlington, Kansas, no site evacuation routes have been affected, and the increased flow into the river has had no impact on plant operations. The licensee has been in close contact with the Army Corps of Engineers, the Region VII office of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the state and county emergency organizations.

The state of Kansas has been informed. Region IV received notification of this occurrence by telephone from the resident inspector at approximately 3 p.m. on November 2, 1998. Region IV has informed the EDO's office and NRR.

This information has been discussed with the licensee and is current as of 2:30 p.m. (CST) on November 5, 1998.

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