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PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION

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PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE--PNO-78-179

This preliminary notification constitutes EARLY notice of an event of POSSIBLE safety or public interest significance. The information presented is as initially received without verification or evaluation and is basically all that is known by IE staff on this date.

Facility: Consumers Power Company  
Big Rock Point  
Charlevoix, MI  
(DN 50-155)

Subject: PRIMARY COOLANT BOUNDARY LEAK

While conducting a leak inspection at 1300 psig, during a reactor startup, the licensee discovered a small leak at the weld of a 3/4 inch stub line to the 3-inch Cleanup System return line. The reactor was immediately shutdown to inspect and repair the leak. The plant is expected to remain shutdown for at least two more days. The licensee plans to do nondestructive examination of the weld prior to performing the repair.

Neither the licensee nor Region III are making a press release. The State of Michigan has been informed. Region III received notification of the event by telephone from the licensee at 3:10 p.m. on October 18, 1978. This information is current as of 8:00 a.m. October 19, 1978.

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