

PDR Advance by per J. Pacheco

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION - NOT FOR PUBLIC DISCLOSURE

January 16, 1976

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE --PNO-76-06

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Facility: Yankee Rowe (DN 50-029)

Subject: UNPLANNED OUTAGE

At 4:30 a.m. on January 13, 1976 a short developed in one of four reactor coolant pump motor stators and the reactor tripped from eighty percent power.

No spare pump is available at the facility. Also the current core is limited to four pump operation by Technical Specifications, since three pump operation was not analyzed in the core safety analysis.

Duration of the outage is expected to be either three or four weeks.

The licensee is proceeding with two plans to return to operation. The first plan involves borrowing a pump motor from Consolidated Company of New York (Indian Point 1). The motor is currently being removed from Indian Point 1. Removal, shipment and installation is expected to take three weeks.

The second plan involves obtaining authorization from NRR to operate with three pumps. A revised core safety analysis is currently being prepared. Preparation, submittal, and approval of this analysis are expected to take two weeks from date of shutdown. This plan will be adopted for plant operation if problems develop in utilizing the Indian Point 1 motor.

Media interest is expected because of the extended outage. The State of Massachusetts has been informed. A press release is being issued by the licensee.

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Region I, NRC, Philadelphia, Pa. received original notification of this occurrence from an NRC inspector on site at 10:40 a.m. January 13, 1976. The additional details including the extent of the outage and NRR's preliminary position, were developed subsequently. The information is up to date as of 1:00 p.m. January 16, 1976.

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