

October 30, 2006

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE -- PNO-IV-06-013

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

Entergy Operations, Inc.
Arkansas Nuclear One
1448 S. R. 333
Russellville, AR 72801-0967

Dockets: 50-313
50-368
Licenses: DPR-51
NPF-6

Licensee Emergency Classification

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

SUBJECT: ALERT AT ARKANSAS NUCLEAR ONE, UNIT 2

DESCRIPTION: At 1:04 p.m.(CT), Entergy Operations declared an Alert at Arkansas Nuclear One - Unit 2 following a fire in an electrical panel resulting in the loss of some safety equipment, including one train of emergency feedwater. The licensee reported that the fire was extinguished within 10 minutes. Unit 2 was operating at 67 percent power at the time; Unit 1 was at 100 percent power. Region IV activated its Incident Response Center and entered Monitoring Mode at 1:50 p.m. NRC resident inspectors are following events at the site. The licensee is investigating the cause of the fire, the extent of damage, and attempting to restore power to the affected systems.

Region IV has informed OEDO, NRR, and PAO. The state of Arkansas has been notified telephonically and this information has been discussed with the state and is current as of 3:00 p.m., (CT) on October 30, 2006.

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