

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION - REGION III

July 24, 2007

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE -- PNO-III-07-009-A

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 III staff on this date.

Facility

Perry Unit 1
First Energy Nuclear Operating Company
Painesville, OH
Docket: 50-044
License: NPF-58

Licensee Emergency Classification

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

SUBJECT: UPDATE TO PERRY UNEXPECTED REACTOR SHUT DOWN EXCEEDING 72 HOURS DUE TO PROBLEM WITH REACTOR RECIRCULATION PUMP MOTOR

DESCRIPTION:

This preliminary notification supplements information in PNO-III-07-009, which documented the shutdown of Perry Unit 1 on June 29, 2007, to repair the motor of one of the two reactor water recirculation pumps.

Troubleshooting revealed that motor replacement was necessary. The motor was replaced on July 16, 2007, and subsequently passed its post-maintenance testing requirements.

Reactor startup commenced on July 23, 2007, at 4:58 pm. Startup is in progress and the plant is currently scheduled to synchronize to the grid on July 24, 2007.

The plant's shutdown has been covered by local media outlets.

The information in this preliminary notification has been reviewed with licensee management and is current as of 9:30 a.m. on July 24, 2007.

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