

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION

August 30, 1979

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE--PNO-79-380

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: Metropolitan Edison Company
Three Mile Island Units 1 and 2
Middletown, Pennsylvania
(Docket Nos. 50-289/320)

Subject: AIRCRAFT CRASH NEAR PLANT

A twin engine cargo aircraft, enroute from Philadelphia to Harrisburg, Pennsylvania crashed on a golf course approximately 1.5 miles NNE of the Three Mile Island site at about 6:00 a.m. on August 30, 1979. Preliminary reports indicate that one person on board the aircraft was killed. The crash has not affected the Three Mile Island site. The crash is receiving media attention.

This PN is issued for information only.

Media interest is expected because of continued high interest in site activities. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has been informed. A press release is not planned by the licensee or NRC.

NRC, Region I, (Philadelphia) received notification of this occurrence by a telephone call from Region I Resident Office at the site at 7:50 a.m., on August 30.

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