

March 26, 1980

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE--PNO-TMI-80-18A

This preliminary notification constitutes EARLY notice of events 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 NRC staff on this date.

Facility: Metropolitan Edison Company
Three Mile Island, Unit 2
Middletown, Pennsylvania
Docket Number 50-320

Subject: PERIODIC AIR MONITOR ALARMS IN THE AUXILIARY BUILDING UPDATE

The AMS-3 local air monitor showed intermittent increase in count rate. This air monitor alarmed at 4:13 P.M. indicating a slight increase in airborne particulate concentration in the auxiliary building. The monitor particulate filter was changed and analyzed to determine the airborne particulate concentration. No identifiable release to the environment was noted by the onsite NRC staff.

These events continue to be under review by the licensee and are being monitored by the NRC staff.

Media interest is expected because offsite notifications were made. A press release is not planned by the licensee. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania was informed.

This preliminary notification is issued for information only and the information is current as of 5:00 P.M.

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