PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION

September 16, 1980

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE--PNO-TMI-80-45

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, Units 1&2 /and/
Middletown, Pennsylvania
Docket Numbers 50-289 & 50-320

Jersey Central Power and Light Company
Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station
Forked River, New Jersey
Docket Number 50-219

Subject: MAJOR ORGANIZATION CHANGE

Effective September 15, 1980, NRR approved a major change to the organizations of Three Mile Island Units 1 and 2, and Oyster Creek. The change establishes a General Public Utilities Nuclear Group (GPUNG) through which the operating and management responsibilities for TMI-1, TMI-2 and Oyster Creek will be implemented for Met-Ed and JCP&L. The change also includes revised plant staff organizations. The GPUNG is being formed by combining the nuclear experienced management and technical staffs from within the GPU Service Corporation, Met-Ed and JCP&L into a single organizational entity.

The new organization is headed by the Executive Office GPUNG which will be responsible for the operation of Oyster Creek, the operation of TMI-1 and the recovery of TMI-2. Reporting to that office will be onsite directors from each unit.

Media interest has been expected because of public sensitivity to TMI related events. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has been informed. The licensee is planning to issue a press release however, the NRC has no plans at this time.

This preliminary notification is issued for information only and no further action by the NRC is anticipated.

The NRC TMI Program Office received notification of this occurrence by telephone from NRR on September 15, 1980, and this information was current as of 10:00 a.m., today.

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