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PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE--PNO-TMI-81-08

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
Middletown, Pennsylvania
Docket Numbers 50-289 & 50-320



Subject: CONGRESSIONAL TOUR

Congressman Morris Udall, Chairman of the House Interior and Insular Affairs Committee and several other congressmen, along with congressional staff members, who are members of the Energy and Environmental Subcommittee, will be touring selected areas of TMI-1 and TMI-2 today. The purpose of the tour is to assess the status of both units in which licensee and NRC briefings will be conducted. The noted subcommittee in which Congress Udall is also chairman is expected to conduct hearings on a bill related to federal fundings of the TMI-2 cleanup.

Media interest has occurred because of public sensitivity to TMI related events. A press conference is scheduled for later this afternoon by the licensee. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has been informed. The NRC does not plan to issue a press release at this time.

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

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