

NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE--PNO-TMI-83-08

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Facility: GPU Nuclear Corporation  
Three Mile Island, Unit 2  
Docket Number 50-320

Licensee Emergency Classification:  
 X  Not Applicable

Subject: PaPUC REJECTS FUNDING REQUEST FOR TMI-2 CLEANUP

Yesterday in a unanimous preliminary vote, the Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission rejected Metropolitan Edison's (50% owner of TMI) and Pennsylvania Electric's (25% owner of TMI) request to allow the use of an additional \$16 million a year of rate payer funds for the cleanup of TMI Unit 2. Presently \$22 million a year of rate payer funds from these two Pennsylvania utilities and \$12 million per year from Jersey Central Power and Light (25% owner of TMI) for a total of \$34 million a year are allowed for cleanup activities at TMI Unit 2. The commission voted not to increase rate payer funds to the level outlined in the Thornburgh plan because the nuclear industry contribution has failed to materialize.

In early 1983 GPU had projected \$76 million for 1983 and \$100 million in 1984. The 1984 projection anticipated \$50 million from rate payers and \$10-\$15 million from the industry. Unless additional financial sources are forthcoming, present cleanup activities may have to be further reduced.

Media interest occurred because of public sensitivity to TMI related events.

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