

NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE--PNO-TMI-84-02

This preliminary notification constitutes EARLY notice of events of POSSIBLE safety or public interest significance. The information is as initially received without verification or evaluation and is basically all that is known by NRC staff on this date.

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

Licensee Emergency Classification:
X Not Applicable

Subject: REACTOR COOLANT LEAK RATE PLEA AGREEMENT

Subject to a final acceptance by the court which is expected to be handed down at 10:00 AM, February 29, 1984, the licensee has pleaded guilty to one count of using a procedure that was incorrect when used to determine reactor coolant system water inventory. The licensee pleaded nolo contendere on 6 of the remaining 10 counts. If the plea is accepted the government agrees to bring no other criminal charges against GPU arising out of its operation of TMI-2 which may have occurred up to and including March 28, 1979. This will result in a fine of \$45,000 and a commitment by the licensee to distribute one million dollars to PEMA for emergency preparedness and planning in a 20 mile zone around TMI.

Media interest occurred in that direct media coverage was ongoing during the hearing. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania was informed.

This preliminary notification is issued for information only and the NRC plans to continue monitoring events as they occur.

The NRC TMI Program Office received notification of this occurrence by monitoring the activities of the court on February 28, 1984.

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