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NRC MONITORING “ALERT” AT NINE MILE POINT UNIT 2

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission is monitoring closely activities at the Nine Mile Point nuclear power plant in Scriba, N.Y. following the declaration of an alert at the plant shortly after 3:00 p.m. today (9/19). The plant is operated by Constellation Energy.

Operators declared the alert – the second lowest of the emergency classifications – after a fire suppression system inadvertently discharged carbon dioxide into a room housing electrical equipment for safety systems. There was no fire and no injuries were reported. The plant continues to operate normally at 100 percent power. All safety equipment remains available.

“The plant is stable and there is no danger to public health or safety or the environment,” said David Lew, Director of the NRC Region I Division of Reactor Projects.

The NRC has activated its Incident Response Center in King of Prussia, Pa., from which staff are coordinating the agency’s response to this event. The NRC resident inspectors were onsite and responded to the main control room to monitor and evaluate plant safety performance.

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