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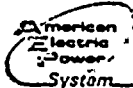
SUBJECT: NPDES noncompliance notification: on 870410, oil entered yard drain when pressurized tank sprayed out 10 gallons Number 2 fuel oil during attempt to measure level in east-middle heating boiler fuel oil tank. Cleanup begun immediately.

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April 27, 1987

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Michigan Water Resources Commission
Stevens D. Mason Building, Box 30026
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Dear Mr. Zugger:

RE: Donald C. Cook Nuclear Plant
Oil Spill

This letter confirms the reporting of an oil spill by telephone to Chuck Bikfalzy, DNR Plainwell district, at 8:54 a.m. EST on April 10, 1987. This is written notification as required by the Cook Plant's NPDES permit.

At approximately 7:45 a.m. on April 10, 1987, a plant employee attempted to measure the level in the east-middle heating boiler fuel oil tank. When the fill cap was removed, the apparently pressurized tank sprayed out an estimated ten gallons of No. 2 fuel oil. Most of the oil was contained within the surrounding spill containment, however, a small amount entered a yard drain. Cleanup efforts began immediately, and included placement of oil sorbent pads and booms. It was estimated that one gallon or less reached Lake Michigan, and most of the oil causing the sheen was recovered.

The National Response Center was contacted earlier at 8:37 a.m. EST. The Michigan PEAS number was not working at 8:30 a.m. when originally called.

By copy of this letter, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission is notified pursuant to the requirements of Appendix B, Part II, Nonradiological, Environmental Protection Plan, Section 3.2.

Very truly yours,

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