

11.14AM ICE THREAT TO POWER STATION.

WEARING A SPECIAL ISSUE OF WINTER CLOTHING FIREMEN FROM SEVERAL N.W. LONDON DISTRICTS WERE TODAY FIGHTING A BATTLE AGAINST ICE. WORKING IN TWO HOUR SHIFTS THEY HAVE BEEN DIRECTING HOT WATER JETS FROM TWO PUMPS ON TO THE COOLING TOWERS OF TAYLOS LANE. POWER STATION WILLESDEN IN AN EFFORT TO KEEP THEM FREE OF ICE WHICH THREATENED TO BRING THE GENERATING STATION TO A STANDSTILL. THE MEN WORKED THROUGHOUT THE NIGHT.

THE ICE ON THE HUGE WATER TOWERS REFORMED AS FAST AS THE FIREMEN HOSED IT AWAY. IF ALLOWED TO ACCUMULATE THE ICE WOULD SERIOUSLY DAMAGE THE STRUCTURE OF THE TOWERS AND THREATEN THE COOLING SYSTEM OF THE GENERATING PLANT - ONE OF THE LARGEST IN THE LONDON AREA. A BRIGADE SPOKESMAN SAID TODAY "THE MEN ARE WORKING UNDER CONDITIONS OF EXTREME COLD AND SPECIAL WINTER CLOTHING HAS BEEN ISSUED.

THE WORK WILL HAVE TO GO ON NON-STOP UNTIL THE TEMPERATURE RISES."

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