

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE PNO-II-04-009B

This preliminary notification constitutes EARLY notice of events of possible safety or public interest significance. This information is as initially received without verification or evaluation, and is basically all that is known by Region II staff (Atlanta, Georgia) on this date.

<u>Facility</u>		<u>Licensee Emergency Classification</u>
Florida Power Corporation	X	Notification of Unusual Event
Crystal River Unit 1		Alert
Crystal River, FL		Site Area Emergency
Docket/License:050-302/ DPR 72		General Emergency
		Not Applicable

SUBJECT: REGION II RESPONSE TO HURRICANE JEANNE

Crystal River declared a NOUE at 5:05 a.m. (EDT) due to a hurricane warning being issued for the Crystal River area. Crystal River is currently at 100% power with no operational issues. Based on the projected weather conditions, Crystal River has no plans or requirements to shutdown the unit. The Technical Support Center is manned and operational. The Emergency Operation Facility has not been activated. Current wind speeds are 26 mph with 33 mph gusts. Peak wind speeds of up to 70 mph are expected at 2:00 p.m. (EDT).

St. Lucie remains in a loss of offsite power to both units since 11:56 p.m. (EDT) on September 25. All 4 emergency diesel generators started and are providing power to vital loads. On site diesel fuel oil supplies are estimated at seven days. The licensee remains in a Notice of Unusual Event for the loss of offsite power and the hurricane warning. Both St. Lucie units are on shutdown cooling. The cause of the loss of offsite power has been identified. Offsite power is estimated to be restored by 12 Noon (EDT), September 26, 2004. Current access to the site is limited due to damage to bridges.

Turkey Point exited their NOUE at 7:15 a.m. (EDT) on September 26 based on lifting of the Hurricane warning in the area. Turkey Point did not experience any significant high winds from the storm. The shutdown of Turkey Point Unit 3 for a scheduled refueling outage is continuing. Unit 4 remains at full power.

Hurricane Jeanne made landfall on the east coast of Florida, very close to the St. Lucie site. St. Lucie experienced maximum sustained wind speeds of 100 mph and gusts as high as 120 mph. As of 9:00 a.m., (EDT), the storm is a Category 1 hurricane at winds approximately 85 mph.

The NRC remains in the Monitoring Mode with inspectors on site at St. Lucie and Crystal River.

Region II staff members continue to monitor activities from the Incident Response Center and the Florida Power and Light Emergency Operations Facility in Miami, Florida.

The information presented herein was discussed with both licensees (FPL and FPC/Progress Energy) and is current as of 10:00 a.m. (EDT) September 26, 2004.

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