

June 7, 2011

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE -- PNO-IV-004

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 the Region IV, Arlington, Texas, staff on this date.

Facility

Fort Calhoun Station

Docket: 50-285

License No.: DPR-40

Licensee Emergency Classification

Notification of Unusual Event

Alert

Site Area Emergency

General Emergency

Not Applicable

SUBJECT: Fort Calhoun Station Declaration of an ALERT Due to Fire Affecting Plant Safety Systems

DESCRIPTION: At approximately 9:40 a.m., Tuesday, June 7, 2011, the Fort Calhoun Station (FCS) declared an ALERT due to a fire in an electrical switchgear room. Automatic fire suppression systems operated as expected. Licensee fire brigade personnel, the Blair Fire Department, and the Fort Calhoun Fire Department responded to the fire. The fire was confirmed extinguished at 10:20 a.m. The plant was already in a cold shutdown condition following completion of a planned refueling outage and was maintained safely in cold shutdown.

The resident inspectors are monitoring the licensee's actions in response to the fire. The NRC entered the monitoring mode and the Region IV office activated the incident response center.

Region IV received notification of this occurrence by the senior resident inspector at FCS. The States of Nebraska and Iowa have been informed.

The information presented herein has been discussed with the licensee and is current as of 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, June 7, 2011.

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