

PRIORITY ATTENTION REQUIRED MORNING REPORT - REGION IV APRIL 28, 2000

Licensee/Facility:

Pacific Gas & Electric Co.
Diablo Canyon 1 2
Avila Beach, California
Dockets: 50-275,50-323
PWR/W-4-LP,PWR/W-4-LP

Notification:

MR Number: **4-00-0014**
Date: 04/28/00

Subject: SOLID RADIOACTIVE WASTE SHIPMENT UNDERCLASSIFICATION

Reportable Event Number: N/A

Discussion:

On April 26, the licensee informed Region IV of the results of a Quality Assurance audit which identified a shipment of solid radioactive waste (contaminated filters) that had been underclassified. The radioactive waste was shipped to a radioactive waste burial facility in South Carolina in December 1999. It was received, accepted and buried at the facility as Class C radioactive waste. The audit results determined that the shipment should have been classified as greater than Class C waste because the calculated aggregate activity value exceeded the Class C waste limit by 8 percent.

The licensee notified the waste facility of the error in classification. The waste facility, in turn, notified the State of South Carolina.

Regional Action:

NRC personnel are evaluating the reactor licensee's and the waste facility's corrective actions as they develop.

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