

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE PNO-II-04-006

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 Region II staff (Atlanta, Georgia) on this date.

<u>Facility</u>		<u>Licensee Emergency Classification</u>
Progress Energy - Florida Power Corporation Crystal River Crystal River, Florida Docket/License: 50-302/DPR-72	X	Notification of Unusual Event Alert Site Area Emergency General Emergency Not Applicable

SUBJECT: REGION II RESPONSE TO HURRICANE CHARLEY

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission Region II office activated its Incident Response Center at 8:00 a.m. (EDT) on August 13, 2004. Region II is in the Monitoring Mode in response to Hurricane Charley as it nears the west coast of Florida. NRC resident inspectors are currently at the nuclear plant site, and are reviewing preparations for the impending severe weather.

The Crystal River site declared a Notice of Unusual Event on August 12 at 11:00 p.m. (EDT) due to a hurricane Warning being issued for the west coast of Florida. The site is currently not experiencing any high winds or rain. Unit 3 is operating at 100 percent power.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency Region IV has also activated their Regional Operations Center to monitor the hurricane.

The state of Florida has been notified.

The information presented herein was discussed with the licensee and is current as of 9:00 a.m. (EDT) August 13, 2004.

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