

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE PN1-9509

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 I staff on this date.

Facility:
New York Power Authority
Indian Point Station Unit 3
Buchanan, New York

Licensee Emergency Classification:
☐ Notification of Unusual Event
☐ Alert
☐ Site Area Emergency
☐ General Emergency
☒ Not Applicable

Docket No.: 50-286
License No.: DRP-64
Event No.: NONE
Event Location Code: POW

SUBJECT: FIRE IN THE OWNER CONTROLLED AREA

On March 21, 1995, at approximately 4:55 a.m., a fire started inside a warehouse located outside the Indian Point 3 protected area, but within the owner controlled area. The Verplanck Fire Department and NYPA personnel responded to and extinguished the fire at approximately 5:37 a.m. A piece of scrap metal pinching an electrical cable was believed to be the cause.

The NRC resident staff verified that entry into the emergency plan was not required, since the fire was located outside the protected area. No radioactive material was involved in the event, and no plant safety-related equipment was affected or threatened. No personnel injuries resulted from the fire.

The fire started in a corner of a one-level, metal framed storage building. The building contained machinery, transformer parts and equipment, boric acid drums and other miscellaneous equipment. As a precaution, the hazardous materials team was notified in the event chemicals were involved.

The licensee has issued a press release on the fire. There has been public and media interest in this event.

The State of New York has been notified. Region I will respond to media inquiries.

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Licensee: _____

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