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SUBJECT: PNO-II-95-024:on 950427,unit 1 taken off line to conduct control room drop testing in order to assess effects of corrosion matl buildup.Two-week outage begun to replace selected CRD mechanism thermal barriers.

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PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE PNO-II-95-024

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 in Atlanta, Georgia on this date.

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Licensee Emergency Classification

Notification of Unusual Event
Alert
Site Area Emergency
General Emergency
X Not Applicable

Subject: SHUTDOWN GREATER THAN 72 HOURS - OCONEE UNIT 1

On April 27, 1995, Oconee Unit 1 was taken off line to conduct control rod drop time testing in order to assess the effects of corrosion material buildup within the control rod drive mechanisms' thermal barriers. This iterim-cycle testing became necessary after a review of the April 14, 1995, Unit 2 reactor trip data showed an increase in control rod drop times greater than previously predicted. Unit 1 test results revealed a number of increased control rod drop times, with four control rods exceeding the 1.66 second Technical Specification limit. Based on these test results, Unit 1 subsequently began an estimated two-week outage to replace selected control rod drive mechanism thermal barriers.

The State of South Carolina has been notified. No press release is planned by the licensee.

This information is current as of 4:00 p.m., on April 27, 1995.

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