

August 13, 1982

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE PNO-II-82-93

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 II staff on this date.

<u>FACILITY:</u> South Carolina Electric & Gas Company V. C. Summer Unit 1 Docket No. 50-395 Jenksville, South Carolina	Licensee Emergency Classification: <input type="checkbox"/> Notification of Unusual Event <input type="checkbox"/> Alert <input type="checkbox"/> Site Area Emergency <input type="checkbox"/> General Emergency <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable
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SUBJECT: MEDIA INTEREST IN ALLEGATION

The Office of Investigations, with technical support from Region II, is inquiring into an allegation by a former cadwelder on the Summer construction job that the containment has some defective cadwelds in the vertical rebar.

This allegation was the basis for a motion filed on August 9 by an intervenor who asked the presiding Atomic Safety and Licensing Board to stay its August 4 decision which authorized a fuel-loading and low-power operating license for Summer. A license was issued on August 6, and initial fuel-loading operations began on August 10.

The team handling the inquiry into the matter is at the site. A report will be forthcoming.

Media attention has occurred because of continuing contacts with reporters by the intervenor and the allexer. Both the licensee and the NRC are responding to media inquiries.

The State of South Carolina has been informed.

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