

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION

November 5, 1980

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE PNO-II-80-159

This preliminary notification constitutes EARLY notice of an event of POSSIBLE safety or public interest significance. The information presented is as initially received without verification or evaluation and is basically all that is known by IE staff as of this date

FACILITY: Florida Power and Light Company
Turkey Point Unit 3
Docket No. 50-250
Homestead, Florida.

SUBJECT: STEAM GENERATOR TUBE LEAK.

A steam generator tube leak of approximately 0.6 gallons per hour was identified in the "B" steam generator on November 4, 1980. Samples taken at 5:00 a.m. on November 5 indicated a leak rate of 0.4 gallons per hour; limit is 18 gallons per hour. The unit was returned to operations on November 2 following a steam generator inspection outage. Licensee is evaluating actions to be taken.

Media interest is anticipated. Neither the licensee nor the NRC plan to issue a news release. The State of Florida has been notified.

Region II (Atlanta) received notification of this occurrence by telephone from the resident inspector at 3:15 p.m. on November 4.

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