

# PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION

Date: February 15, 1980

## PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE--PNO-I-80-27

This preliminary notification constitutes EARLY notice of events 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 on this date.

Facility: Public Service Electric and Gas Company (New Jersey)  
Salem Nuclear Generating Station, Unit 1 (DN 50-272)  
Hancocks Bridge, New Jersey

Subject: REACTOR TRIP

At 1452 February 14, 1980, the Salem Unit 1 reactor tripped as a result of low water level in #14 Steam Generator coincident with steam flow/feed mismatch. The cause was mechanical failure of the control mechanism for the feedwater regulating valve. The Station management has elected to keep the plant shutdown for approximately two days to perform routine maintenance previously scheduled for the next plant shutdown. An extended outage beyond February 18 is not anticipated.

This Preliminary Notification is issued for information only and no further action by NRC is anticipated. The States of New Jersey and Delaware have been informed by the licensee. A press release was issued by the licensee. The NRC does not plan to issue a press release at this time.

The Salem Resident Inspector received notification of this occurrence by telephone from the licensee at 1505 on February 14, 1980. Region I (Philadelphia) received this information from the Resident Inspector at 1545 on February 14, 1980.

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