

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION

December 6, 1979

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE PNO-II-79-38

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: Bolivia, North Carolina

SUBJECT: STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA EXERCISE

The State of North Carolina will conduct a major radiological exercise during the period of December 6-8, 1979 to test the State Radiological Emergency Response Plan. State and local agencies will participate in this exercise. Carolina Power and Light (Brunswick Nuclear Plant) will participate to a limited degree by carrying on the scenario by means of communications with State and local agencies. The site will not initiate emergency actions.

The North Carolina Division of Emergency Management will activate its EOC in Raleigh. The State Emergency Response Team (SERT) will proceed to Brunswick County and activate the State EOC in Bolivia, North Carolina, with technical assessment being provided by the Department of Human Resources. Brunswick County EOC will also be activated. Traffic control will be under the cognizance of the State Highway Patrol and Brunswick County Sheriff's Department. The exercise scenario provides for evacuation at approximately 10:00 a.m. EST on Saturday, December 8, 1979. The local populace will participate in the evacuation on a voluntary basis. The exercise will terminate at approximately 4:00 p.m. EST on Saturday, December 8, 1979.

The Interagency Regional Advisory Committee will observe the exercise.

Local media interest is expected. A press release has been issued by the State of North Carolina. NRC does not plan on issuing a press release.

This preliminary notification is issued for information only. No further action by the Office of Inspection and Enforcement is anticipated.

Region II (Atlanta) received notification of this occurrence by correspondence from the State of North Carolina dated October 26, 1979.

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