

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION

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PNO-V:80-26

Date: April 16, 1980

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: Portland General Electric Company
Trojan Nuclear Plant
Rainier, Oregon
Docket No. 50-344

Subject: FAILURE OF THREE OF FOUR MSIVs TO CLOSE DURING TESTING

During testing in the hot standby mode, three of the four Main Steam Line Isolation Valves (MSIV) failed to close when manually actuated. The cause of the occurrence was binding in the valve stem packing. The valve is air opened and is closed by gravity, steam flow and a small spring force. The licensee believes that the valves would have closed during actual operations with steam flow in the line. The valves were repaired and tested satisfactorily. Modifications to the valves to install air operators to help close the valves are being investigated by the licensee.

There has been no media interest in this event and no press releases are planned.

Region V was informed of this event at 3:10 PM on 4/15/80 by a telephone call from the resident inspector.

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