

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION

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DATE: April 17, 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: AUXILIARY/CONTROL BUILDING MASONRY WALL TESTING RESULTS - ISSUANCE OF IMMEDIATE ACTION LETTER

The NRR Project Manager informed Region V (San Francisco) of the results of recent testing of double-wythe masonry walls with mortared collar joints constructed of heavy weight blocks at the Trojan plant. These testing results were presented by the licensee at the ASLB Hearing currently in progress concerning the Control Building walls.

The results of the testing showed an average collar joint shear strength of 23 psi. A strength of 40 psi was relied upon by the NRR staff in its SER which provided the basis for the lifting of restrictions on the operation of the Trojan plant in December 1979.

The Trojan plant is currently shutdown for refueling.

An Immediate Action Letter (IAL) was sent to the licensee by Region V on April 17, 1980. The IAL confirmed an understanding between Region V and the licensee that prior to resuming reactor power operation this matter, including the completion of necessary modifications, will be resolved to the satisfaction of the NRC staff.

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The State of Oregon has been informed. An NRC press release is not planned. Plans for a press release by the licensee are not known at this time.

NRC Region V was informed of this matter initially by the NRR Project Manager and the Assistant Vice President for Generation Engineering at approximately 2:30 PM on April 16, 1980. The information is current as of 10:00 AM on April 17, 1980.