

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION

April 28, 1980

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE PNO-II-80-72

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: Abandoned Building  
Johnson City, Tennessee

SUBJECT: NEWSPAPER REPORTER'S REQUEST FOR RADIATION SURVEY OF ABANDONED BUILDING

A newspaper reporter telephoned the NRC resident inspector at Nuclear Fuel Services, Erwin, Tennessee, on April 25, and stated that an acquaintance had informed the reporter that an abandoned building on Antioch Road had been used to recycle equipment contaminated with radioactive material when he was a child. The reporter indicated that the acquaintance is now in his thirties. The reporter requested that a radiation survey be conducted at the abandoned building.

Region II (Atlanta) contacted the State of Tennessee at 9:00 a.m. on April 28. The State of Tennessee plans to follow up on this matter. Media interest is present.

No news release is planned by NRC.

Region II (Atlanta) received notification of this occurrence by telephone from the NFS resident inspector at 4:45 p.m. on April 28, 1980. This information is current as of 10:00 a.m. on April 28, 1980.

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