

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION

Date: October 28, 1980

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF SAFEGUARDS EVENT--PNS-I-80-22

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Facility: Duquesne Light Company  
Beaver Valley Power Station, Unit 1  
Shippingport, Pennsylvania  
(DN 50-334)

Subject: POSSIBLE THREAT TO SECURITY; FORCED OPENING OF VITAL AREA DOOR

On October 27, 1980 at 1:30 PM the licensee found a door between the top floor of the Primary Auxiliary Building and the Fuel Building (which are both Vital Areas) to have been forcibly opened with its lock destroyed. The door is maintained locked for vital area access accountability. The door had been pried open with a crowbar or similar tool. The door had been observed to be undamaged on the Midnight to 8 AM shift that day.

A search of the Fuel Building and contiguous areas was initiated at 2:00 PM and was completed at about 6:00 PM with no apparent facility damage or unauthorized personnel found. The locked New Fuel Storage areas were undisturbed. Visual inspection of spent fuel in storage did not identify any abnormalities. Temporary repairs were made to the damaged door permitting it to be relocked. It will be replaced on October 28, 1980. The licensee is conducting continuous security tours of the Primary Auxiliary Building and contiguous areas to discourage or identify similar acts.

The licensee does not intend to refer the matter to the local law enforcement agencies or the FBI but is considering further investigation via a private investigation agency. No press release is planned by the licensee or Region I at this time. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has been informed.

The Senior Resident Inspector received notification of this occurrence by telephone from the licensee at 4:35 PM, October 27, 1980. This information is current as of 8:50 AM, October 28, 1980.

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