

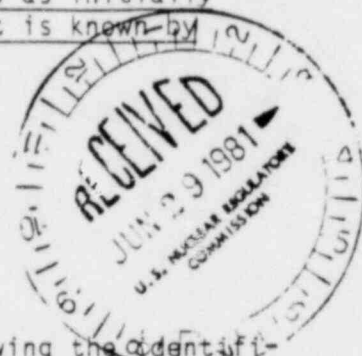
PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION

June 23, 1981

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE PNO-II-81-46

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: Alabama Power Company
Farley Unit No. 2
Docket No. 50-364
Dothan, Alabama



SUBJECT: PRIMARY TO SECONDARY LEAK IN "B" STEAM GENERATOR

At 7:30 p.m. CDT on June 22, the Unit was removed from service following the identification of a 1.1 gpm primary to secondary leak in the 2B steam generator. The licensee is taking the Unit to a cold shutdown condition and making preparations to enter the steam generator to identify the cause of the leakage. An outage of several days is anticipated.

The "B" steam generator had experienced some mechanical tube damage during the installation of a required inspection access. These tubes, which had been mechanically plugged, are suspected as the cause of the leakage.

Media interest is not expected. Neither the licensee nor the NRC plan to issue a news release at this time. The State of Alabama has been informed.

NRC Emergency Response Center received notification of this occurrence by telephone from the licensee at 8:48 p.m. on June 22. This information is current as of 9:00 a.m. on June 23.

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