

December 26, 1989

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE -- PNO-IV-89-73

This preliminary notification constitutes EARLY notice of events of POSSIBLE safety or public interest significance. The information is as initially received without verification or evaluation, and is basically all that is known by the Region IV staff on this date.

FACILITY: Fort Calhoun Station
Blair, Nebraska

Licensee Emergency Classification:
 Notification of Unusual Event
 Alert
 Site Area Emergency
 General Emergency
 Not Applicable

SUBJECT: WEAPON AND AMMUNITION IN VEHICLE SEARCH

At 1:50 p.m. on December 22, 1989, the licensee's security force found a .22 caliber semi-automatic handgun and two loaded magazines in a tool box. The tool box was in a licensee's truck that was being searched prior to entry into the protected area. The truck driver, a mechanic, was a licensee employee that does not work at the Fort Calhoun Station, but was requesting access on a visitor's pass to work on another licensee vehicle.

The licensee believes that the employee had forgotten that the contraband was in the tool box and did not intend to circumvent security requirements. The licensee's security force confiscated the weapon and ammunition and denied site access to the employee.

The licensee reported the event to the Headquarters Operations Officer (HOO) at 2:41 p.m. on December 22 pursuant to 10 CFR 73.71.

The licensee does not intend to issue a press release.

The NRC is prepared to respond to inquiries.

The state of Nebraska will be informed.

Region IV received notification of this occurrence by telephone from the HOO at 3:00 p.m. CST on December 22, 1989. Region IV has informed EDO/NRR/PA.

This information has been confirmed with a licensee representative.

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