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PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE--PNO-I-81- 86

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Facility: Connecticut Yankee Atomic Power Company
Haddam Neck Plant (DN 50-213)

Haddam, Connecticut

Subject: INADVERTENT GASEOUS RELEASE

An inadvertent gaseous release occurred at 12:20 a.m., August 11, 1981, and lasted approximately forty minutes. The maximum release rate was 31.5% of the Technical Specification instantaneous release limit. The initial indication is that the release was from the boron recovery system. A manual valve was found partially open which allowed gases generated during boron recovery to be vented directly to the plant stack. The release was terminated when the valve was shut. The licensee is continuing to investigate. There were no personnel exposures.

A press release has been made by the licensee. The State of Connecticut has been informed.

This PN is issued for information only. The NRC was notified via the Emergency Notification System at 1:41 a.m.



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