

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION

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PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE--PNO-V: 81-04

Date: January 28, 1981

This preliminary notification constitutes EARLY notice of events 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 on this date.

Facility: Pacific Gas & Electric Company  
Diablo Canyon Unit Nos. 1 & 2  
Docket Nos. 50-275 & 50-323  
San Luis Obispo County, California

DESIGNATED ORIGINAL

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Subject: STORM DAMAGE TO PLANT INTAKE AREA BREAKWATER

Heavy rain, wind and sea during the night of January 27, 1981, severely damaged approximately 80 to 100 feet (about one-third of the total length) of the West section of the intake area breakwater. Damage included washing away of the concrete cap and scattering of several of the 26 to 36 ton "tribars" (precast concrete interlocking armor pieces, which along with heavy quarry stone were used in construction of the breakwater) from the breakwater.

There is apparently no damage to the intake structure itself, which is approximately 300 feet inside the breakwater.

PG&E civil engineering personnel have been dispatched from the corporate office to evaluate damage and necessary repairs to the breakwater structure.

Region V contacted the NRR Project Manager on January 28, 1981, for purposes of considering ASLB notification. The ASLB was meeting at the time in the East-West Towers Building in Bethesda.

Region V resident inspectors are onsite and have observed the damage, which is continuing with heavy wind and sea activity still in progress at the site.

There is expected to be substantial media attention to this occurrence. The licensee is presently considering the issuance of a press release. NRC does not plan a press release.

Region V (San Francisco) was informed of this occurrence by the Senior Resident Inspector at 12:30 PM on January 28, 1981. The information was provided to the NRR Project Manager at the ASLB hearing at approximately 1:00 PM on that date.

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