

December 12, 1991

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE PNO-II-91-80

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 II staff on this date.

FACILITY: Florida Power & Light
Turkey Point Unit 4
Docket No. 50-251
Florida City, Fla.

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

SUBJECT: UNPLANNED SHUTDOWN

On December 10, 1991, at 5:37 p.m., the licensee declared an Unusual Event (UE) and commenced a unit shutdown. The UE was declared due to a power reduction required by Technical Specifications which was caused by the loss of the 4A emergency load sequencer. The unit entered Mode 3 at 7:37 p.m. on December 10, 1991, and Mode 4 at 1:42 a.m., the following morning. After the unit was shutdown, the licensee performed a routine inspection inside containment and discovered a small leak on a conoseal assembly. (The conoseal assembly seals the thermocouple penetration in the vessel head.) Repair of the leak will require the unit to be off-line for approximately nine days. Root cause investigation is ongoing for both the sequencer failure and the conoseal leak. The Sequencer is now operational.

The NRC received initial notification of this event from FPL at 11:30 a.m. (EDT) on December 11, 1991.

This information is current as of 8:00 a.m. on December 12, 1991.

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