

July 8, 1994

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE PNO-II-94-035B

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 Region II staff (Atlanta, Georgia) on this date.

Facility

Alabama Power Co.
Farley 1 2
Ashford, Alabama
Dockets: 50-348, 50-364

Licensee Emergency Classification

X Notification of Unusual Event
Alert
Site Area Emergency
General Emergency
Not Applicable

Subject: LOCALIZED EVACUATION ROUTE FLOODING - PLANT FARLEY (UPDATE)

This Preliminary Notification contains an update of PNO-II-94-035 and 035A issued on July 7, 1994 for the Farley Nuclear Plant. Additional information is provided for Plant Hatch located in south Georgia. This information is current as of 7:00 am EDT.

Farley Nuclear Plant

The Farley Nuclear Plant remains at the Notification of Unusual Event classification due to a high river level. Both units remain at full power.

The river level at 7:00 am EDT was 118' 5". The plant continues to operate the river water pumping structure to supply cooling water to the units.

The Corps of Engineers has informed the licensee that the river level in the vicinity of the plant may be affected by the large amount of water that fell in south Georgia over the last few days. However, the Corps expects to be able to control the river level at the plant so that it will not exceed the 120' level.

The licensee reports that evacuation routes in the 10 mile Emergency Planning Zone are open.

Site Resident Inspector staff continue around-the-clock site staffing to monitor plant conditions.

Plant Hatch

Portions of south Georgia in the Macon area continue to experience high water levels. Much of that water will flow into the Altamaha River which provides cooling water to Plant Hatch.

Plant Hatch units are at full power. The plant has not made any emergency declarations.

The Altamaha River is presently at about 70.5'. Revised estimates of the crest range from 75' to 81'. That crest is estimated to occur between Sunday, July 10, 1994 and Saturday July 16, 1994.

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The Hatch Emergency Action Level for declaration of a Notification of Unusual Event is met when the river reaches a level of 88.6'. An Alert would be declared when the river level reaches 100'.

There are no restrictions to access to the plant and no restrictions on any of the evacuation routes in the 10 mile emergency planning zone.

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