

September 12, 1984

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE PNO-II-84-59C

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: Carolina Power and Light Company  
Brunswick Units 1 and 2  
Docket Nos. 50-325 and 50-324  
Southport, North Carolina  
Virginia Electric and Power Company  
Surry Units 1 and 2  
Docket Nos. 50-280 and 50-281  
Surry, Virginia  
General Electric Company  
Docket No. 70-1113  
Wilmington, North Carolina

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

SUBJECT: ACTIONS IN RESPONSE TO HURRICANE DIANA

This PN updates PNO-II-84-59B, issued earlier today.

Hurricane Diana remained nearly stationary at 2 p.m. today, with its center at latitude 34.0 degrees north and 77.1 degrees west, or about 50 miles east southeast of Wilmington, North Carolina. Highest winds remain near 115 miles an hour, and the barometric pressure at the center is 28.65 inches.

The hurricane is still drifting erratically with no sense of direction. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration is urging users of NOAA information to exercise caution in speculating on the future course of Diana based on short-term trends indicated by the hourly positions.

Precautionary procedures remain in effect at the Brunswick, General Electric and Surry sites.

The Brunswick Technical Support Center was deactivated this morning. The licensee will continue to monitor the hurricane closely from the control room. Neither offsite power nor communication links has been lost. Unit 1 remains in cold shutdown. Unit 2 is down for refueling.

General Electric has informed Region II that plant conditions have not changed. Workers were to begin returning on a voluntary basis at 3 p.m. today to prepare for plant start-up. However, GE management will not start the plant as long as the hurricane is stationary or threatening the area.

At Surry, Unit 1 continues operating at 80 percent and Unit 2 at 100 percent power. Plant Management is continuing to monitor weather conditions and is prepared to escalate precautionary actions if conditions warrant.

Region II continues to monitor the track of the hurricane, and is maintaining close coordination with NRC headquarters and Region I.

The State of North Carolina and the Commonwealth of Virginia also are continuing to monitor the situation.

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Media interest is continuing. The licensees and Region II are responding to inquiries.

This information is current as of 3 p.m. today.

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