

October 4, 1995

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE PNO-II-95-054

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 in Atlanta, Georgia on this date.

Facility

Southern Nuclear Operating 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: PREPARATIONS FOR HURRICANE OPAL

At 11:16 a.m. EDT (10:16 a.m. CDT), October 4, 1995, Southern Nuclear Operating Company declared a Notification of Unusual Event at the Farley Nuclear Power Plant due to anticipated hurricane conditions. The facility is reviewing their procedures and facility status while making preparations for the pending storm. Farley Unit 1 is defueled and Unit 2 is at 100% power. The licensee plans to shut down approximately 2 hours prior to hurricane force winds reaching the site. There are five emergency diesel generators available for onsite emergency power as needed. The onset of peak winds at Farley is projected to occur at approximately 6 p.m. EDT.

Region II has dispatched two inspectors to the Farley site in an emergency response vehicle equipped with emergency communications equipment including a satellite telephone system and an HF radio. A Region II State Liaison Representative has been dispatched to the State of Alabama Emergency Operations Center, and a Region II Manager has also been dispatched to the Farley Emergency Operations Facility (EOF) to provide liaison and support as needed. Region II entered the Monitoring Mode at 12:10 p.m. EDT today.

The State of Alabama has activated its Emergency Operations Center and the coastal Counties of Mobile and Baldwin have been evacuated.

This information was received by telephone from the NRC Resident Inspector on site at Farley and is current as of 12:30 p.m. EDT. The State of Alabama has been notified.

Contact: C. Christensen
(404)331-5533

050063

9510050275 951004
PDR I&E
PNO-II-95-054 PDR

IE34 1/0