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PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE -- PNO-IV-85-05

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 NRC staff on this date.

FACILITY: Houston Lighting & Power Co.
South Texas Project
Bay City, Texas
50-498; 50-499

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

SUBJECT: FATALITY OF CONSTRUCTION WORKER

A 31-year-old ironworker was killed at approximately 9:30 a.m. CST at the South Texas Project on January 26, 1985, when a 12' X 12' metal base fell on him from approximately 30 feet.

The metal base was used for landing material when lowering the material down a shaft in the Unit 1 mechanical/electrical auxiliary building. The ironworker was fitted with communications equipment to give instructions to the crane operator who was lowering the plate into the shaft when one of two clevis on the plate broke and allowed the plate to swing free and break the second clevis.

OSHA and the Matagorda sheriff's office have been notified. The Plant Safety Committee is investigating the incident.

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