

May 29, 1996

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE PNO-II-96-041

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

Georgia Power Co.
Vogtle 1
Waynesboro, Georgia
Dockets: 50-424

Licensee Emergency Classification

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

Subject: SHUTDOWN DUE TO DETECTION OF FOREIGN OBJECT IN STEAM GENERATOR

On May 29, 1996, at 4:49 a.m., Vogtle Unit 1 was shutdown due to detection of a foreign object in the #4 Steam Generator. The preliminary evaluation indicates that the object is on the primary side and weighs approximately 0.75 pounds. The licensee is continuing cooldown and expects to go into mid-loop operation on Thursday afternoon or Friday morning in order to open the primary side of steam generator #4. The current Licensee plans are to return to mode 2 by Tuesday June 4, 1996.

The Resident Inspectors are following the Licensee's activities associated with this issue. The NRC received initial notification of this event from the Licensee on May 28, 1996 at 9:57 p.m.

There is no media interest at this time and the Licensee does not plan to issue a press release.

This notification is issued for information only. Additional action by Region II is not anticipated at this time.

The State of Georgia has been informed.

This information is current as of 9:30 a.m. on May 29, 1996.

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