

July 12, 1996

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE PNO-II-96-049D

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

Carolina Power & Light Co.
Brunswick 1 2
Southport, North Carolina
Dockets: 50-325, 50-324

Licensee Emergency Classification

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

General Electric Co.
General Electric Co.
Wilmington, North Carolina
Dockets: 07001113 License No: SNM-1097

Subject: HURRICANE BERTHA UPDATE

At 3:00 p.m. on July 12, 1996, the eye of Hurricane Bertha passed to the East of the Brunswick plant. Hurricane force winds were experienced at Brunswick, but no significant damage occurred. Offsite power remains available. The licensee continues to staff the emergency facilities.

NRC personnel and emergency communication equipment remain on site. The Region II Incident Response Center continues in the Monitoring Mode. Region II's State Liaison Officer is located at the North Carolina State Emergency Operations Center.

General Electric declared an Alert at 11:00 a.m. because of imminent hurricane winds at site. By 1:00 p.m., gusts above 80 mph were received on site. Some minor wind damage has occurred. Off-site power was lost to waste treatment, but power is available to main plant buildings. Licensee continues to man site with approximately 50 people.

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