

February 12, 1988

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE PNO-II-88-13

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: Duke Power Company
Oconee Unit 1
Docket No. 50-269
Seneca, South Carolina

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

SUBJECT: LEAK OF SLIGHTLY RADIOACTIVE WATER

The licensee has informed the NRC that on February 11, 1988 at 1:30 p.m. (EST), an approximately 1,000 gallon leak of slightly radioactive water occurred during maintenance on a valve at Oconee Unit 1. The water was contained and will be treated in the waste water system.

Two workers were slightly contaminated by the leak. The affected workers showered to remove the contamination. There were no injuries.

The licensee informed the NRC resident inspector and issued a press release.

Minor local media interest followed. Both the licensee and the NRC are prepared to respond to media inquiries.

The NRC received initial notification of this event when the licensee notified the resident inspector at 1:45 p.m. (EST) on February 11. The licensee later notified the headquarters incident response center.

This information is current as of 10:00 a.m. (EST) on February 12.

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