

May 23, 1988

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE -- PNO-IV-88-45

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 IV staff on this date.

FACILITY: Houston Lighting & Power Co.  
South Texas Project  
Houston, Texas  
DN: 50-498

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

SUBJECT: PLANT STARTUP FOLLOWING AN EXTENDED OUTAGE

This PN is for information only and is issued as a plant status update. On May 21, 1988, at 5:38 p.m. (CDT), the licensee started up Unit 1 following a shutdown on May 1, 1988. Unit 1 had been shutdown to perform maintenance work including replacement of portions of the aluminum-bronze ECW piping and fittings, replacement of buna-N material in the steam generator PORVs, and work on the bottom mounted instrumentation system (thimble tubes).

Completion of testing at the 30 percent plateau is scheduled for May 26, 1988. Upon satisfactory completion of testing at the 30 percent plateau, the licensee will commence testing at the 50 percent plateau. The licensee anticipates start of testing at the 50 percent plateau on May 27, 1988.

Neither the licensee nor the NRC plan to issue a press release.

Region IV received notification of this plant startup by telephone from the resident inspector at STP at 7:45 a.m. on May 23, 1988.

This information has been confirmed with a licensee representative.

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