December 9, 1975

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE --PN-75-148

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Facility:

Arkansas Nuclear One

Arkansas Power & Light Company

Subject:

Bomb Threat

Our Region IV (Dallas) office was notified on December 8, 1975, by the Plant Superintendent, Arkansas Nuclear One, Unit 1, that a bomb threat had been received from an unknown caller at the Unit 2 construction site that morning at 7:30 a.m. The message was addressed to a Bechtel Construction Supervisor associated with Unit 2. The caller stated that a bomb was set to go off at 10:05 a.m. in the turbine building.

Since the caller did not specify whether it was Unit 1 (which is in operation) or Unit 2 (which is under construction), the licensee evacuated both units from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Searches were made, but no bomb was found. The FBI and local sheriff were notified.

Arkansas Power and Light has made a press release to a local radio station, KERV, Russelville. Region IV inspectors are on site to conduct a previously - scheduled inspection.

IE: IV received initial notification of this occurrence by telephone on December 8, 1975 from the Plant Superintendent, Arkansas Nuclear One, Unit 1.

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