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Earthquake's Threat To Buried Pipes Concerns Nuclear Activist Group. Charlottesville, Virginia's The Hook (8/31, Stuart) reports, "Despite Dominion's assurances that the plant made it through the August 23 earthquake unscathed, activists contend that the quake, which measured 5.8 on the Richter Scale and had an epicenter just eleven miles from the plant, may have been more catastrophic than anyone is admitting. New information bolsters their fears." With the announcement that the quake may have exceeded North Anna's design basis specifications, Paul Gunter of Beyond Nuclear said that Dominion's assurances that "no significant damage to safety systems has been identified" amounts to small consolation. "Central to the issue is miles of buried pipe under the plant that carry radioactive water," says Gunter.

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