

DCS No:  
Date: May 23, 1985

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE--PNO-I-85-39

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 I staff on this date.

Facility: Public Service Electric & Gas Co. Licensee Emergency Classification:  
Hope Creek \_\_\_\_\_ Notification of Unusual Event  
Hancock's Bridge, New Jersey \_\_\_\_\_ Alert  
DN 50-354 \_\_\_\_\_ Site Area Emergency  
\_\_\_\_\_ General Emergency  
X \_\_\_\_\_ Not Applicable

Subject: FIRE ON CONSTRUCTION SITE -- APPARENT ARSON

During the evening of May 22, several fires were identified and extinguished. These fires were outside the plant structure, but inside the industrial security area -- four involved portable restrooms and one was a pipe insulation storage shed. Arson is suspected. The applicant has initiated an investigation and increased his security measures in and around the plant.

The Resident inspectors are following-up on-site.

Neither NRC Region I or the applicant plans a press release.

Hope Creek is a preoperational phase BWR scheduled for new fuel receipt in September 1985 and fuel loading in January 1986.

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