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PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE--PNO-V-85-44 Date: July 12, 1985

This preliminary notification constitutes EARLY notice of events of POSSIBLE safety or public interest significance. The information presented is as initially received without verification or evaluation and is basically all that is known by Region V staff on this date.

FACILITY: Exxon Nuclear Co., Inc. Richland, Washington SNM-1227 and State of Washington Licensee	Emergency Classification <input type="checkbox"/> Notification of Unusual Event <input type="checkbox"/> Alert <input type="checkbox"/> Site Area Emergency <input type="checkbox"/> General Emergency <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable
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SUBJECT: STATE OF WASHINGTON SUSPENSION OF EXXON NUCLEAR  
COMPANY'S PERMIT FOR RADIOACTIVE WASTE BURIAL

The Region V office was notified by a letter dated July 3, 1985 from the State of Washington that a shipment of radioactive waste was received on June 27, 1985 from Exxon Nuclear, Richland, Washington. Upon examination by the state inspector, a shipping drum was found with a hole in it which violated Department of Transportation regulations. Based upon this violation the State of Washington banned the NRC licensee from use of the burial site and suspended the burial permit effective July 1, 1985. There was no radioactive contamination associated with the shipment.

The Region V office was notified of the action taken by the State of Washington by a letter which was received on July 11, 1985.

This item is submitted for information only.

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