

August 30, 1985

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE PNO-II-85-86A

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 II staff on this date.

FACILITY: Alabama Power Company
Farley Units 1 and 2
Docket Nos. 50-348 and 50-364
Ashford, Alabama
Florida Power Corporation
Crystal River Unit 3
Docket No. 50-302
Crystal River, Florida
Mississippi Power and Light Co.
Grand Gulf Units 1 and 2
Docket Nos. 50-416 and 50-417
Port Gibson, Mississippi

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

SUBJECT: ACTIONS IN RESPONSE TO HURRICANE "ELENA" - UPDATE

This PN updates PNO-II-85-86 issued on August 29, 1985.

Region II is continuing to monitor the course of Hurricane "Elena".

As of 9 a.m. (EDT) today, the hurricane was near latitude 28.0 north and longitude 87.5 west, about 160 miles south of Pensacola, Florida.

At its present location, the hurricane is moving toward the north at 9 mph. Highest winds are 100 mph. Tides of 8 to 12 feet above normal are expected near and to the right of where the center crosses the coast. Statements regarding evacuation and specific actions to be taken are being issued by local government officials and the National Weather Service.

The National Weather Service projects between now and 1 a.m. the percentages for "Hurricane Elena" passing within 65 miles of certain coastal locations are: (1) 39 percent Pensacola, Florida, (2) 32 percent Mobile, Alabama, (3) 20-28 percent for Apalachicola and Panama City, Florida, and (4) 11-23 percent for New Orleans and Buras, Louisiana.

Region II has confirmed that officials at the Crystal River, Farley, and Grand Gulf sites are aware of the hurricane's location and are prepared to implement appropriate procedures.

Media coverage of "Hurricane Elena" is continuing.

The States of Alabama, Florida and Mississippi have been informed of Region II activities.

This information is current as of 10 a.m. today.

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