

August 30, 1985

PRELIMINARY NOTIFICATION OF EVENT OR UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE -- PNO-IV-85-46

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 NRC staff on this date.

FACILITY: Gulf States Utilities
River Bend Station
Docket No. 50-458

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

SUBJECT: LICENSING AND FUEL LOAD

The River Bend Station received a low power license on the afternoon of August 29, 1985.

The licensee is making final preparations to commence fuel load. The licensee stated that fuel load would not start until the potential for heavy weather from hurricane Elena was resolved. The track of Elena now indicates that it will come ashore well east of the River Bend site. The licensee estimates actual fuel movement will commence at about 10:00 p.m. (CDT) on August 30, 1985. The SRI is monitoring licensee activities.

Both the licensee and the NRC issued press releases concerning the issuance of the license.

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