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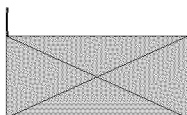
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**FBI taking over probe of Calif. substation attack due to possible terrorist act**

By Esther Whieldon

The FBI is taking over the investigation of an April shooting attack on an electric transmission substation in California because the agency believes it might have been an act of terrorism, a spokesman for the Santa Clara County, Calif., Sheriff's Office told SNL Energy July 9.

The FBI and the sheriff's office have been partnering on the investigation, but the FBI will be taking over the case in "the next couple of weeks," Public Information Officer Kurtis Stenderup said, adding, "There's a possibility of it being a terrorist act."

At this point, authorities believe there was only one person involved in the early morning April 16 shooting of the bank of transformers at PG&E Corp. subsidiary Pacific Gas and Electric Co.'s Metcalf substation near San Jose, Calif., Stenderup said.

Officials also believe that the same person removed heavy manhole covers on the utility side along Monterey Highway and cut AT&T Inc. fiber-optic cables in two places just before the person made his or her way to the fence near the substation and fired multiple shots at transformers and circuit breakers with a high-powered rifle, he said. "We don't believe it's a group of people," he said.

"We believe the two events are connected," Stenderup said. He noted that no copper was stolen, which is usually what happens when such facilities are broken into.

While the damage to the fiber-optic cables did not appear to prevent PG&E workers from alerting local authorities, it did cut telecommunications to the southern part of the county and took out some cell phone towers, he said. It may have prevented some local residents from calling for 911 emergency services, Stenderup said.

The decision to have the FBI handle the investigation comes as the North American Electric Reliability Corp. is mulling whether any new standards might be needed to protect other critical facilities from future similar attacks.

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