

DIVISION OF REACTOR PROJECTS

Division Meeting Minutes June 1, 2000

Opening Remarks

Geoff expressed his pleasure regarding the presentations at the seminar. He was pleased with the insight into the presentations given.

Current Issues:

- ☺ Marc introduced two new Division employees. Tom Fredericks who is the Resident Inspector (RI) at Monticello and Tammy Nordenberg who is a new Branch Secretary.
- ☺ Geoff discussed the recruiting effort currently underway. He is working diligently with DRMA to recruit six new Reactor Engineers. There is currently one offer out and David Kimble has accepted one of the positions.
- ☺ Dave Roth will be moving to the Division of Nuclear Materials Safety (DNMS) beginning in September. Ken O'Brien will be coming into the Region to the Division of Reactor Safety (DRS).
- ☺ Tony and Dave are looking for a volunteer to assist with D.C. Cook the weeks of June 15 and June 22.
- ☺ Branch Chiefs are encouraged to attend exit meetings, but please consider the need for office coverage. Geoff also plans to try and get out to more site exits.

Ask the Director (Questions/Answers)

What is the status on the HQ initiative to review all inspection reports for consistency? How long does HQ plan to conduct this review?

Geoff feels that interaction with HQ's has been phenomenal. We have been using this process of having HQs review reports with the pilot plants and feel that it has contributed a lot to our reports. The level of interaction was good as far as coordination and cooperation. There appears to be better consistency in the reports with NRR review. This process is in place and is working and will continue.

With recent reassignments and resignations in DRP and DRS, how does the region plan to meet the baseline inspection requirements and the need for supplemental inspections?

Overtime can be used to meet hours and probably will be used. This will help meet the baseline inspection requirements and the need for supplemental inspectors.

Can OT be used to meet RROP hours (previously raised issue but not sure of answer)?

OT can be used to meet RROP hours.

Acceptability of counting licensee holidays (non-federal holidays) as deep backshift.

Licensee holidays may not be used as deep backshift. Hours of deep backshift need to be cut to 50 hours.

The problems with ADAMS and the needs for some training at the site/the need to overhaul the system so it is more user friendly. Using all the special tricks to find, copy, and print files (if you can figure out at all) gets time consuming. The residents are not privy to the information provided at the special training sessions conducted in the Region.

Geoff sympathizes with ADAMS users. He has no idea how the system can become more user friendly - he has experienced the same difficulties. Geoff was told ADAMS will not have much of an effect on residents, however, there are currently problems with how the system is being used. Geoff suggests that problems be documented and submitted to Roger Doornbos.

Other Issues

- √ Starfire - Tom Kozak's branch was chosen to pilot the new system; however, the sites are currently not able to access the system which has caused delays in piloting the system.
- √ Feedback on new program - If we want results which will alter the program, we need feedback now.
- √ The NRC's lease will expire in 3 years. DRMA/GSA have already begun negotiations to determine what will happen when the lease expires.

Presentation of Y2K Plaques, Training Certificates and Cash Awards