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Subject:

Dave Lochbaum Comments on TWG Draft Report

Dave Lochbaum called me to complain that the draft TWG report does not address his issues. He said he brought up two concerns at the meeting at the Holiday Inn in Gaithersburg back in July, which he understood we would address in the draft report:

- He felt we needed to address risk to workers on site, not just risk to the public. As an example, a pool that drains down but does not have a zirc fire is still a risk problem for people on site. He feels this should be addressed.
- He expressed concerns with human reliability, such as the recent Browns Ferry event. The industry claims that over the course of several days, and several crews, any problem should be spotted by shift personnel. Mr. Lochbaum claims that there have been examples of mistakes that have gone unnoticed for several days. His example the Browns Ferry event where a valve lineup error resulted in the pool heating up without notice for several watches. He doesn't think that we can count on human reliability to necessarily identify problems.

He further complained that all of the industry feedback had been carefully addressed, but his was not, and hence that he felt he was wasting his time commenting on the draft report.

I apologized to Mr. Lochbaum for not ensuring that his previous comments were addressed in the report, as we told attendees at the meeting they would be. I asked him to provide his comments again to us in writing, and assured him they would be considered by the staff.

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