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Easley, who is aware of the identity of the interviewing agent, was contacted at his office and advised that this interview would pertain to his knowledge of the events surrounding the surplusing of Gary Fiser on April 2, 1993. Easley provided the following information.

Easley advised that Fiser had been surplused from his position as the SQN Chemistry Manager because that position had been revised and was not the same position Fiser originally held. Easley advised that the position went from a PG9 to a PG10.

Easley stated that Rob Beecken, Plant Manager, Sequoyah Nuclear Plant (SQN) and Robert Fenech, Site Vice President, SQN, did not want Fiser to come back to SQN after his one year temporary assignment in Corporate and wanted Corporate Chemistry to find a position for him. However, either Corporate did not have a position for Fiser or did not want to put him in one.

Easley stated that the process to put Fiser in the Employee Transition Program (ETP) began during the first couple of weeks in March.

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At: Chattanooga, Tennessee

By: SA Beth B. Thomas: BBT

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Since Fiser was being surplused from a SQN position, Easley originally told the SQN Human Resource Office to surplus Fiser. However, Mike Pope, Easley's supervisor, told Easley to do it. Easley stated that he told Pope that they (Corporate Human Resources) should not be doing this (handling the surplus of a SQN position) and Easley believes that Pope "knew we shouldn't." Easley stated that someone (name unknown) must have told Pope that Corporate needed to handle the surplus.

Easley stated that Fiser's surplus should have been handled by Charles Kent, Chemistry and Radiological Control Manager, SQN, but instead everything went through Joe Bynum, former Vice President, Nuclear Operations. Easley advised that Ron Eytchison signed the final letter in place of Bynum who had switched to a different position.

Easley advised that he dealt with Wilson McArthur, Manager, Operation Services, on surplusing Fiser.

Attached are copies of Eytchison's letter and Fiser's Notice of Transfer to ETP which Easley provided.

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