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Clerk R. Davis

July 9, 1998

Inspector General (14D-New)

~~RONALD O. GROVER
CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE
WASTE AND FRAUD
OIG FILE NO. 14D-NEW~~

On September 30, 1996, Ronald O. Grover, Manager, Chemical and Environmental Protection, Nuclear Operations, began working with the Institute of Nuclear Power Operations (INPO) in Atlanta, Georgia, under the "Loaned Employee Program." Grover's assignment lasted until December 30, 1997. As a relocation incentive, Grover was paid a one-time lump sum payment of \$12,000 to defray costs associated with his relocation from Chattanooga, Tennessee, to Atlanta, Georgia. In addition, Grover received \$100 a day (or about \$3000 a month) in per diem and around \$1400 a month in tax payments (to offset the increase in taxes which occurred due to his receiving per diem). In total, Grover received \$67,653.53 in per diem and tax payments during his assignment with INPO.

There is some indication that Grover did not relocate to Atlanta but instead drove back and forth from his home in Chattanooga during a large portion of his assignment. Records obtained from TVA's Fleet Services indicate that Grover, who was assigned a TVA pool car from September 13, 1996 until July 7, 1997 (after which time TVA employees began to rent vehicles through Enterprise), drove 23,840 miles (an average of 118 miles a day excluding weekends and holidays) while he worked for INPO in Atlanta. In addition, gas records indicate Grover's travel was limited to the drive between Atlanta and Chattanooga, and he (Grover) was routinely in Chattanooga on weekday evenings and/or early weekday mornings.

As a result of the above information, I recommend initiating an investigation (14D-New) into this matter.

Beth B. Thomas

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Indices

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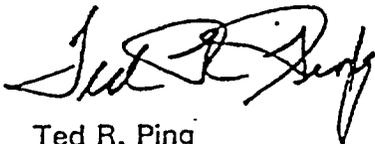
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REFERRAL OF INVESTIGATION - TRAVEL COST OF EMPLOYEES ON LONG-TERM
TRAVEL STATUS

During our review of the travel costs for employees on long-term travel status, a TVA manager expressed concern that a TVA employee on an extended travel assignment may have received payments for living expenses not incurred. According to Employee Accounting records, TVA paid this employee \$67,653 for per diem and related tax liabilities related to this travel assignment during the period September 1996 through December 1997.

Please contact Douglas W. Jackson at extension 6057-K for additional information.



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