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Hello Michael:

If you recall from the March 23rd "public" meeting on GSI-191, I complained that the NRC is doing a pitiful job of communicating with the public on this matter. At that time, I complained that the published agenda for that meeting was radically different from the actual agenda of the meeting - which somehow NEI and the industry folks knew. I encouraged the NRC to quit playing its secret games with the industry and to allow the public into the process.

I stand by those words. THE NRC IS DOING A PITIFUL JOB OF GIVING THE PUBLIC A CHANCE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PWR CONTAINMENT SUMP MATTER IN A MEANINGFUL WAY. It is shameful.

Take the alleged "public" meeting to be conducted on May 19, 2004, for the alleged purpose of allegedly answering stakeholder questions to clarify their understanding of draft General Letter 2004-XX. The April 7th meeting notice for the May 19th "public" meeting provides the ML number for the agenda, but no ML number for draft Generic Letter 2004-XX.

The NRC webpage on the PWR containment sump issue (<http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/operating/ops-experience/pwr-sump-performance.html>) has sufficient propaganda on it, but I cannot find a copy of or reference to draft Generic Letter 2004-xx.

The NRC webpage on documents for comment (<http://www.nrc.gov/public-involve/doc-comment.html>) has all kinds of information, but I cannot find any reference to Generic Letter 2004-xx any place.

Where the devil the damned draft document that the long-suffering public is supposed to comment on?

If the NRC truly wants public understanding of and comment on draft Generic Letter 2004-xx, why are they playing Hide & Seek with the document?

I personally don't care if this game is intentional or not -- the end result is that the NRC's antics are making it unreasonably hard for the public to follow what's going on.

Sincerely,

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