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Dally Staff Notes

February 24, 2004

Special Davis-Besse Update

New Information

None.

Plant status

Mode 3 (hot standby) at Normal Operating Pressure/Normal Operating Temperature (2155 psig/532°F). The licensee expects to maintain the plant in these conditions until restart.

Recent and ongoing events

The licensee continues to work through 16 remaining restart restraints items.

NRC activities

On February 23 the Panel briefed Jim Caldwell, Jim Dyer, and Sam Collins on restart deliberations.

Upcoming meetings

No public meetings are scheduled in the next two weeks.

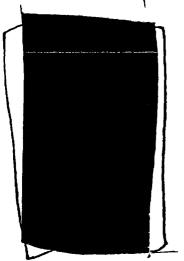
Below is a simplified time line that describes the significant NRC and licensee activities and milestones that are necessary for NRC to authorize restart.

These tentative dates are predicated upon the licensee successfully completing NRC pre-restart activities and demonstrating acceptable operating performance. Key Agency decision points are annotated with asterisks (**) in the timeline below. The outcome of each decision point could materially alter the timing and substance of the rest of the schedule.

The details of these activities are described in three internal NRC documents: the Davis-Besse Oversight Panel Process Plan, the Davis-Besse Restart Communications Plan and the Davis-Besse Restart Punch List.

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Panel issues restart recommendation to Jim Caldwell Panel briefing for Commissioners' TAs Jim Caldwell issues draft Order to licensee (for affirmation/hearing declination) Licensee affirms conditions of Order and declines hearing Finalize restart authorization letter and Order (letter to be signed by Jim Caldwell; will authorize restart and transmit the Order -Order to be signed by Jim Dyer) Implement Restart Communications Plan (1-day Enforcement Notification) Issue restart authorization letter and Order Implement restart inspection plan

0350 Oversight Panel restart checklist status

All Restart Checklist Items have been closed.

Projected licensee schedule following restart authorization

The following sequence of events were taken from a licensee Level 1 schedule. The current licensee schedule indicates that this sequence of events will take approximately five days.

NRC approval for restart Enter operational Mode 2 (reactor startup) Reactor critical - Zero power physics testing Enter Mode 1 (greater than 5% power) Readiness and effectiveness review prior to synch to the grid Synch to the grid Readiness and effectiveness review prior to exceeding 50% power Reactor at 100% power

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