

June 10, 2004

MEMORANDUM TO: Davis-Besse Oversight Panel

FROM: John A. Grobe, Chairman, Davis-Besse Oversight Panel */RA/*

SUBJECT: MINUTES OF INTERNAL MEETING OF THE DAVIS-BESSE  
OVERSIGHT PANEL

The implementation of the IMC 0350 process for the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station was announced on April 29, 2002. An internal panel meeting was held on December 18, 2003. Attached for your information are the minutes from the internal meeting of the Davis-Besse Oversight Panel, and the "Open" Action Items List.

Attachments: As stated

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MEETING MINUTES: Internal IMC 0350 Oversight Panel Meeting  
Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station

DATE: December 18, 2003

TIME: 8:30 a.m. Central

ATTENDEES:

J. Grobe	W. Ruland	S. Thomas
C. Lipa	A. Mendiola	M. Salter-Williams
M. Phillips	J. Hopkins	R. Skokowski
R. Baker	J Stang	

Agenda Items:

1. Discuss/Approve Today's Agenda

The Panel approved the agenda, but modified the order of presentations. **THE APPROVED AGENDA REFLECTS THE ORDER LISTED IN THESE MINUTES.**

2. Discuss Plant Status and Inspector Insights and Emergent Issues List

M. Salter-Williams led a discussion of plant status and inspector insights and emergent issues. The plant remains in Mode 5, and the licensee has determined that it will not be taking the plant to Mode 4 within the next week. A series of all hands meetings are planned (~50 personnel per meeting) to address issues noted by the RRATI and Management & Human Performance inspection teams.

One additional operations deficiency noted was that there was an hour and a half delay in notifying the shift manager that the motor driven feedwater pump was unavailable; the pump is currently unavailable due to maintenance.

3. Update on Confirmatory Order Concurrences

W. Ruland informed the Panel that the Confirmatory Order is waiting on formal concurrence and that a possibility exists for changing some of the Order content. W. Ruland will keep the Panel informed on the concurrence process. The Panel also discussed the CATI proposal for changing the content of the Order. The CATI team is suggesting that plant restart would be acceptable with the issuance of the Order, vice plant restart being acceptable and the Order issued only as a means of ensuring continued improvement in identified key areas. The Panel proposed inviting DRS management and select CATI team members to a focused topic Panel meeting tomorrow to discuss finalizing an action plan for resolving open CATI issues and defining decision criteria for closure of Restart Checklist Item 3.a, Corrective Action Program. J. Grobe took the action to invite personnel for the meeting.

4. Brief Panel on Licensee's Current Restart Schedule

C. Lipa briefed the Panel on recent discussions with the licensee concerning its planned Mode change/restart schedule. A final schedule will be promulgated following the public meeting on December 29, 2003, where the licensee will discuss planned corrective actions and assessment criteria for addressing the findings noted during the Management & Human Performance Phase III and RRATI team inspections.

5. Discuss New/Potential Licensing Issues

J. Hopkins briefed the Panel on the status of licensing issues. NRR has received the licensee's letter, dated December 16, 2003, requesting a license amendment to extend the 2-year surveillance interval for steam generator tube inspection from March 2004 to March 2005. The licensee completed its last Steam Generator inspection in March 2002, and the plant has been shut down since that time. As such, the licensee is requesting to perform its next inspection during a mid-cycle outage. NRR has the request under review.

6. Discuss Communication Status

J. Stang briefed the Panel on current Communications status. The memorandum from the Ohio Citizens Action Group, dated December 15, 2003, and addressed to J. Caldwell, is being evaluated by OE for potential new allegations.

7. Discuss/Approve Restart Coverage Inspection Plan

S. Thomas led a review of the proposed Restart Coverage Inspection Plan. The Panel had several suggestions for specifics to observe during the restart, and decided that the inspection coverage would commence two shifts prior to entering Mode 2. S. Thomas took the action to revise the inspection plan and present it at a future Panel meeting.

8. Update Panel on RRATI Findings from Inspection Efforts to Date

R. Skokowski briefed the Panel on RRATI observation and findings to date. The RRATI team has observed instances where the plans for work activities were inadequate, where operators lacked awareness of plant equipment status, where work control appeared disorganized, and where operators were not following management expectations and written procedures and standards. Some of these problems were similar to ones which occurred during the NOP test in September, indicating that implemented corrective actions have not been effective.

9. Panel Review Restart Checklist Items 5.b, "Systems Readiness for Restart" and 5.c, "Operations Readiness for Restart," for Remaining Closure Criteria

The Panel discussed the issues remaining open, following completion of the RRATI, requiring resolution for closure of Restart Checklist Item 5.b. The items remaining include: 1) open CATI technical issues; 2) the TIA for Appendix R; and 3) open RAM items supporting Restart Checklist Item 5.b.

The Panel also discussed the issues which require resolution for closure of Restart Checklist Item 5.c. The items remaining include: 1) performance of the Followup RRATI; 2) resident inspector insights; 3) review of the licensee's assessment of operations to be presented at the December 29, 2003, public meeting; and 4) closure of all RAM items supporting Restart Checklist Item 5.c.

10. Discuss Revised Restart Recommendation Memo

M. Phillips led a review of the draft restart recommendation memo and format. The Panel decided to reference the binder containing a copy of all inspection reports and not attach the inspection reports to the memorandum.

11. New Action Items

No new Action Items were added to the open action items list and three items were closed.

**THE UPDATED "OPEN" ACTION ITEMS LIST IS ATTACHED TO THESE MINUTES.**

12. Discuss Punch List

C. Lipa led a review of the Punch List. R. Baker took the action to update the Punch List with the Panel's comments.

13. Discuss Process Plan

C. Lipa led a review of the Panel Process Plan. R. Baker took the action to update the Panel Process Plan with the Panel's comments.

14. Discuss/Update Milestones and Commitments

The Panel reviewed and discussed upcoming milestones and commitments.

15. Review Key Items Scheduled for Next Panel Meetings

C. Lipa discussed key items scheduled for upcoming Panel meetings.

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Item Number	Action Item (Date generated)	Assigned to	Comments
197	Develop a communication plan with restart Qs and As. (06/17)	J. Stang	6/24-Lead changed; 08/21-Lead changed; 09/30-Discussed, list of Q & As is being gathered for review and forwarding to RA; 10/14-Discussed, J. Shea is compiling the list of Q & As for review by the Panel and results will be forwarded to the RA; 10/21-Brainstorming session to occur 10/23 to final presentation to Panel; 11/20- The list of Q&As will be inserted to the Comm Matrix today; 12/15-Discussed, Plan with Panel Chairman.
208	Evaluate the need to call back CI regarding Allegation RIII-2002-A-0177 (D-B) after the OI Investigation is complete (08/21)	M. Phillips	10/14-Investigation is still ongoing.
212	Determine whether the Communication Team has received all electronic and written correspondence from external sources. If there is reasonable confidence that the Communication Team has all the correspondence then develop a set of bullets explaining why there is reasonable confidence. (09/23)	J. Stang	10/14-Discussed, Set of bullets still under development; item will be discussed at next Panel meeting on 10/16; 11/04 - Discussed, J. Stang is adding to Comm. Matrix; 11/20-Only remaining is the documented criteria for proof of reasonable confidence; 12/15-Discussed, all inputs received from panel members- closure memo to document completeness confidence in draft and will go to Panel next week.
216	Submit a TIA which addresses issues and questions related to the licensee's 1991 10 CFR Appendix R exemption request regarding Alternative Shutdown (ASD) regulations. (10/02)	J. Lara	10/14-The TIA has been submitted to the Branch Chief for review; 10/21-The TIA is with A. Mendiola; 10/28-Held telephone conversation yesterday for obtaining information; 11/18-TIA is being revised to document the question to NRR in a formal manner so that NRR may document an answer in a formal manner if this is a safety concern; 12/15-Discussed, final revision with Panel Chairman to forward to NRR this week; 12/18-Discussed, any remaining issue will be tracked on the RAM. Panel decided this item is Closed.

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217	Review and document the acceptability of the licensee's withdrawal of the single safety group of control rods to provide a prompt trip response source of negative reactivity. The review will be documented in a resident inspection report. (10/09)	S. Thomas	10/14-Discussed, This review is ongoing and will be documented in Inspection Report 03-22; 12/15-Discussed, issue address in IR 03-22 which will be issued next week-brief and closure next week.
219	Brief Jim Caldwell on how Immediate Action Maintenance issue was resolved. He would like to see the revised procedure. (10/21)	S. Thomas	10/28-Brief will include research information on Exelon approach; 11/20-NRC is reviewing a copy of the licensee's revised procedure; 12/15-Discussed, FENOC rep met with SRI 12/14 to review new procedure; 12/18-Discussed, need to setup briefing for RA.
220	Develop inspection plan requirements which include review of post restart security program effectiveness. (10/28)	D. Passehl	11/20-The plan is being developed and supplemented from baseline requirements; 12/15-Discussed, draft plan in final.
221	Research use of a "Quick Look" letter which formalizes preliminary inspection results prior to final report being issued to address urgent Restart decision issues. (10/28)	D. Passehl	11/20-Awaiting information from STP, and Millstone restart documents-will update the Panel at 11-25-03 meeting; 12/15-Discussed, working.
224	Rewrite the proposed IN on TSP to be generic and reflect attainable plant conditions and what information should be disseminated to the industry concerning Boric Acid Corrosion Control Programs (12/09)	D. Hills	12/15-Discussed, D. Hills is working.

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225	Send out the newest revision of the Restart Comm Plan for Panel review (12/09)	C. Lipa	12/09-Newest revision is in final and will be brought to Panel for review 12/12; 12/15-Discussed, in final and will go to Panel 12/23; 12/18-Discussed, this item will be tracked under action item 197. Panel decided this item is Closed.
227	Leads take actions to bring open Restart Checklist items to Panel, to include actions to resolve closure and people to brief Panel based on leave schedules. (12/16)	See Punchlist	
228	Place all Email requests sent throughout Agency, responses received, and issue resolutions in ADAMS package for documentation. (12/16)	M. Mitchell	
229	Add line item to Process Plan for RA initiative to talk with each Inspection Team Lead for recent/ongoing special inspections. (12/16)	M. Mitchell	12/18-Discussed, line item has been added to the process plan. Panel decided this item is Closed.
230	Develop Action Plan for documenting basis for path forward with licensee based on current inspection results and readiness for restart, to include process for informing licensee. (12/17)	J. Grobe	