# NRC & PSEG Meeting Salem and Hope Creek

June 16, 2004



Nuclear Regulatory Commission - Region I King of Prussia, PA

## Agenda

- NRC Presentation
- PSEG Presentation
- NRC/PSEG Discussion
- NRC/PSEG Meeting Conclusion
- NRC Accepts Questions/Comments from Public

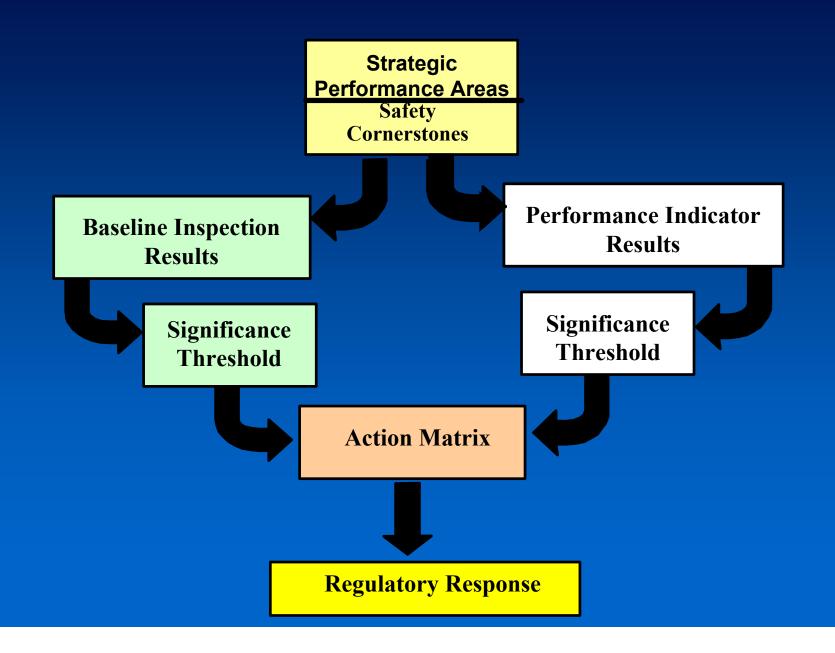
## Agenda – NRC Presentation

- 2003 Annual Assessment of Salem and Hope Creek Performance
  - Review of Reactor Oversight Process (ROP)
  - National Summary of Plant Performance
  - Salem & Hope Creek Performance Results
- Assessment of the Work Environment at Salem and Hope Creek, including organizational effectiveness of the Corrective Action Program and Work Management Process

## Agenda – PSEG Presentation

- Response to Annual Assessment
- Discussion of Work Environment Reviews/Assessments and Organizational Effectiveness
- Action Plan to Address Work Environment/ Organizational Effectiveness Issues and Ensure Plan Effectiveness

## **Reactor Oversight Process**



#### **Action Matrix**

Licensee Response Regulatory Response

**Degraded Cornerstone** 

Multiple/Rep.
Degraded
Cornerstone

**Unacceptable Performance** 









Increased Safety Significance

**Increased NRC Inspection Efforts** 

Increased NRC/Licensee Management Involvement

Increased Regulatory Actions

# Significance of Findings and Performance Indicators

• Significance involves determining potential or actual safety consequences

- Green very low safety significance
- White low to moderate safety significance
- Yellow substantial safety significance
- Red high safety significance

## **National Summary for ROP in 2003**

• Performance indicator results (at end of CY 2003)

**– Green** 1825

- **White** 15

- Yellow 0

– Red

• Total inspection findings (at the end of CY 2003)

• Green 748

• **White** 19

• Yellow 2

• **Red** 4

## National Summary of Plant Performance Status at End of ROP Cycle 4

#### Status at End of CY 2003

Licensee Response	75
Regulatory Response	22
Degraded Cornerstone	2
Multiple/Repetitive Degraded Cornerstone	3
Unacceptable	<u>0</u>
Total	102*

<sup>\*</sup>Davis-Besse is in IMC 0350 process

## NRC Oversight of Salem & Hope Creek

(January 1 - December 31, 2003)

• Significant NRC inspection effort

• Significant NRC inspector oversight

• Significant NRC management oversight and attention

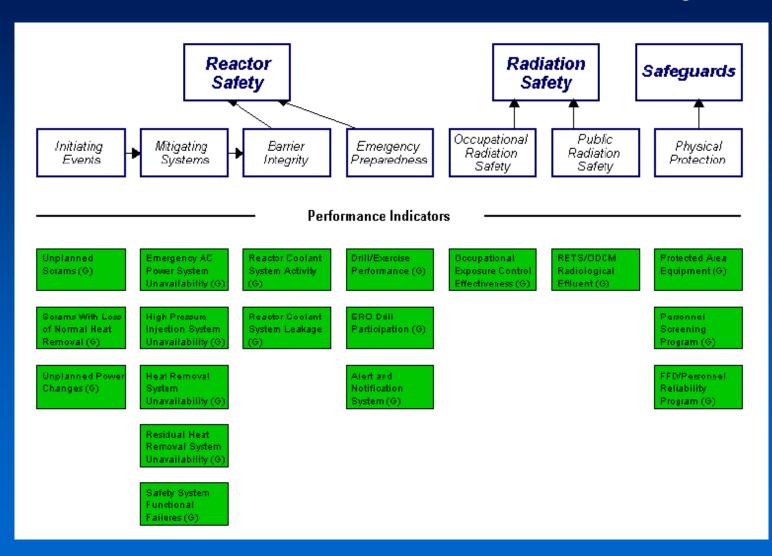
## **Inspection Program at Salem 1 & 2**

(January 1 - December 31, 2003)

- 3250 Hours of Direct Inspection, plus 4730 hours of additional inspection-related effort
  - >2 Resident Inspectors
  - >11 Regional Specialist Inspections
  - > 5 Team Inspections
    - > 2 Special Inspections
    - ► 1 Supplemental Inspection
- 25 Green Findings and 1 White

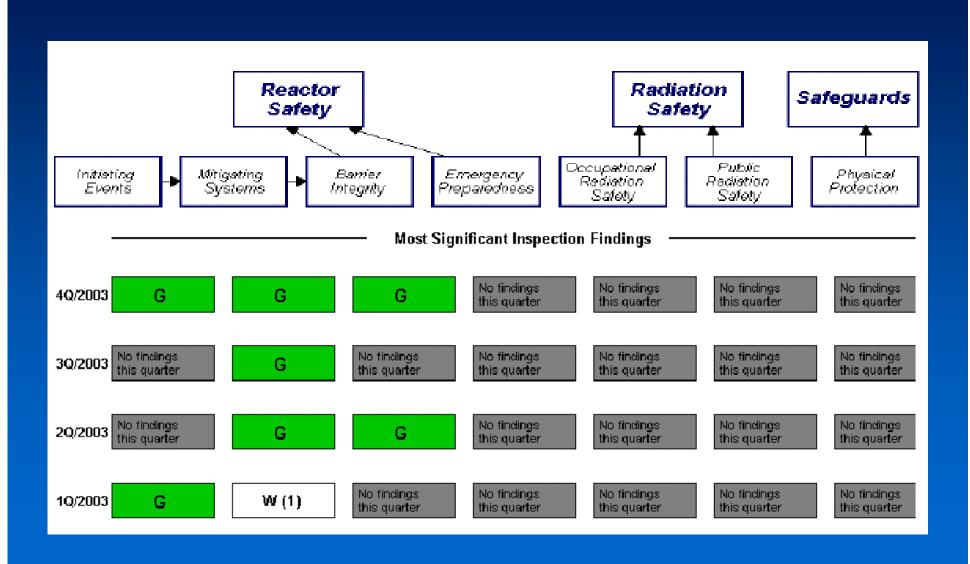
#### **Salem 1 Performance Indicators**

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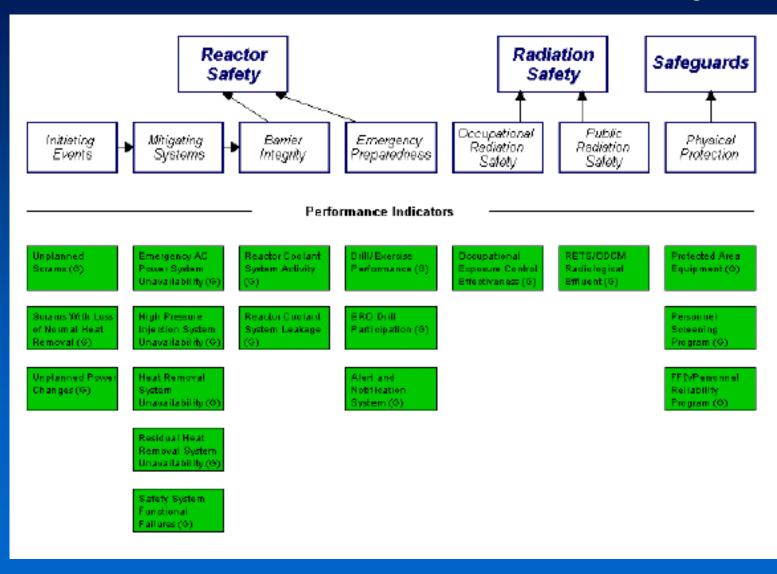
#### **Salem 1 - Inspection Results**

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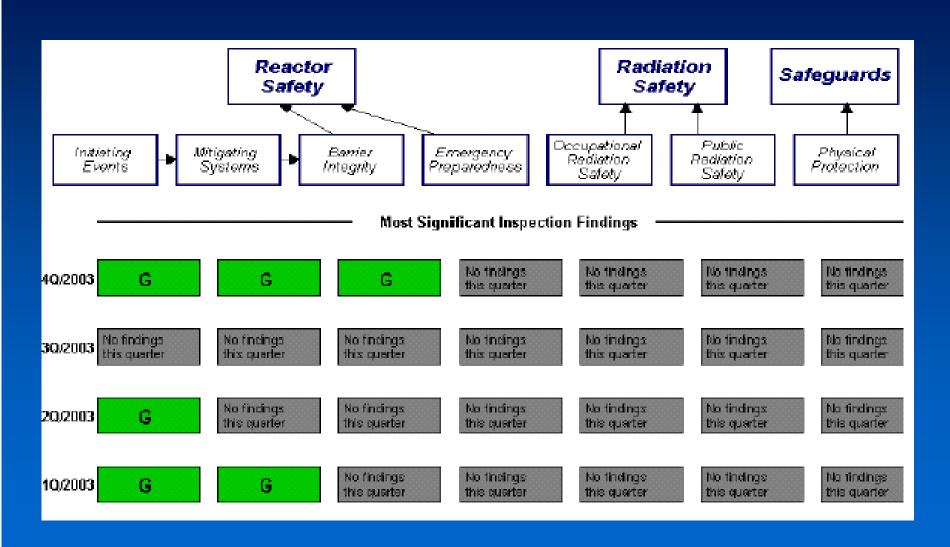
#### Salem 2 Performance Indicators

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#### **Salem 2 - Inspection Results**

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#### NRC Assessment of Salem 1 & 2

#### (January 1 - December 31, 2003)

- Preserved Public Health and Safety
- At completion of 2003:
  - ► Salem 1 Regulatory Response Column
  - ➤ Salem 2 Licensee Response Column
- Baseline inspection in 2003
- 1 supplemental at Unit 1 (EDG turbocharger failure in September 2002 that resulted in a white finding during 2003)
- Substantive Cross-Cutting Issue Problem Identification and Resolution

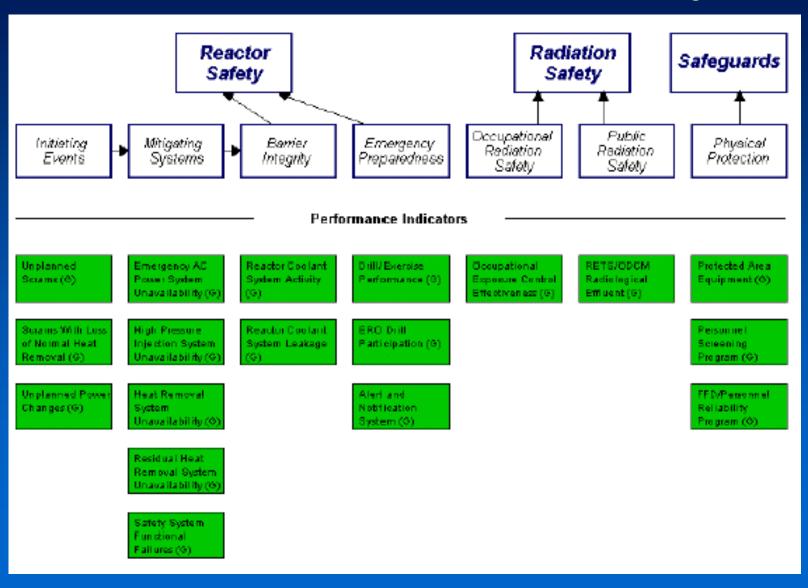
## **Inspection Program at Hope Creek**

(January 1 - December 31, 2003)

- 2410 Hours of Direct Inspection, plus 3310 hours of additional inspection-related work
  - >2 Resident Inspectors
  - ► 12 Regional Specialist Inspections
  - ► 2 Team Inspections
- 19 Green Findings

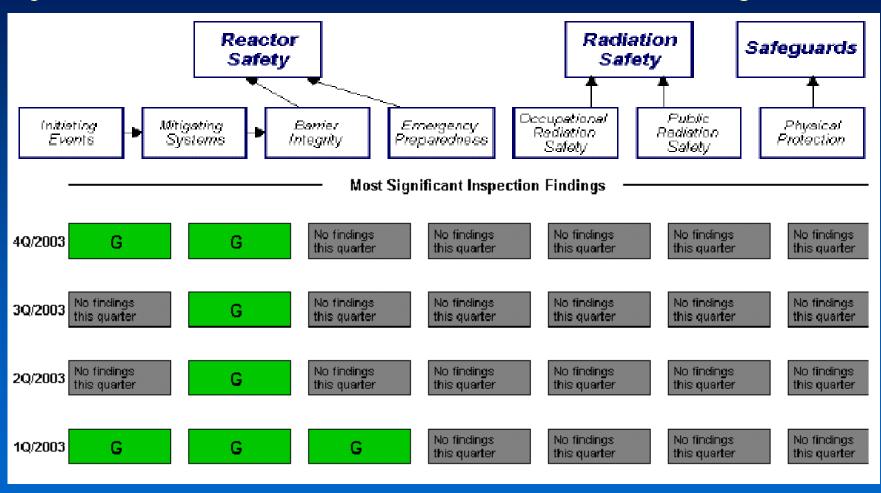
### **Hope Creek Performance Indicators**

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#### **Hope Creek - Inspection Results**

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#### **Hope Creek - Assessment**

(January 1 - December 31, 2003)

- Preserved Public Health and Safety
- At Completion of 2003:
   Hope Creek Licensee Response Column
- Baseline Inspection in 2003
- May 10, 2004 White Issue Shifted HC to Regulatory Response Column
- Substantive Cross-Cutting Issue Problem Identification and Resolution

# Overall Performance Assessment Using Reactor Oversight Process 2003

- Performance Indicators and Inspection Results indicate Salem and HC have preserved adequate safety margin
- Substantive cross-cutting issue continues to exist in area of Problem Identification & Resolution

#### **Prior NRC Assessment Letters**

#### Identified substantive cross-cutting issue:

- Problem Identification & Resolution
  - >Untimely and ineffective
  - Longstanding problems uncorrected
  - Poor implementation of maintenance
  - Insufficient coordination & work control
  - > Equipment reliability weaknesses
  - Deficient engineering evaluation of root causes

## Initiation of NRC's Special Review

#### Based on:

- NRC August 27, 2003 Mid-Cycle Assessment Letter
- NRC Inspection Findings
  - ► Baseline and Supplemental
- Allegations

### NRC Request for PSEG Assessment

Jan. 28, 2004 NRC letter to PSEG:

- Based on ongoing NRC special review
- Expressed concerns about work environment
  - > Raising concerns
  - > Addressing concerns
- Request that PSEG conduct in-depth assessment
- Prior surveys may form a part of PSEG assessment

## NRC Request for PSEG Assessment

#### NRC concerns related to work environment for:

- Handling emergent issues and associated operational decision-making
- Addressing potential safety issues

#### These concerns included:

- Openness of management to concerns and alternate views
- Strength of communication
- Effectiveness of corrective actions and feedback processes

Concerns did not involve any serious safety violations (e.g. no Yellow or Red findings)

## NRC Request for PSEG Assessment

• NRC letter to PSEG	1/28/04
Described potential work environment	
concerns and requested assessment	
• PSEG letter to NRC	2/27/04
Provided interim assessment plans	
• Public meeting	<u>3/18/04</u>
Discussed assessment plans	
• PSEG letter to NRC	<u>5/21/04</u>
Described assessment results	
NRC Public Meeting	6/16/04
Discuss assessment results and action plan	

## **NRC Next Steps**

• Finalize NRC Special Review

Complete Evaluation of PSEG Assessments

Compare NRC & PSEG Results

• Receive/Evaluate PSEG Plans

Decide Additional Regulatory Actions and Follow-up

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#### **Reference Sources**

- •Reactor Oversight Process
  http://www.nrc.gov/NRR/OVERSIGHT/ASSESS/index.html
- Public Electronic Reading Room http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html
- Public Document Room 1-800-397-4209 (Toll Free)