

# UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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December 1, 2004

# Monitoring Conference Call Summary -State of California November 4, 2004

These minutes are presented in the same general order as the items were discussed in the meeting. The participants were as follows:

### **NRC Attendees**

Linda McLean, RSAO Paul Lohaus, Director, STP Osiris Siurano, STP

Elizabeth Schoenfield, OEDO John Zabko, STP

## State of California Attendees

Kevin Reilly, Prevention Services Ed Bailey, Radiologic Health Branch Larry Barrett, Division of Food, Drug & Radiation Safety Gary Butner, CA-RHB Phillip Scott, CA-RHB Victor Anderson, CA-RHB

- Status of California's response to October 20, 2004 letter: State staff noted they did not receive the letter until November 1 and were, therefore, unable to discuss their response during this call. State staff suggested that an electronic (e-mail) copy also be sent for future correspondence (following the call State staff provided electronic addresses for future communications). Mr. Bailey stated that a response would be completed by November 12, 2004, including any changes to the Program Improvement Plan (PIP). Subsequently, State staff (Barbara Hamrick) requested and received approval to extend the response date to November 30, 2004.
- 2. <u>Date for Follow-Up Review</u>: The possibility of changing the date for the follow-up IMPEP to June was discussed. This would provide the State additional time to execute the PIP. A final decision will be made based upon the progress made by the State in implementing the plan. It was also noted that the IMPEP follow-up review will focus on those areas identified as "satisfactory but need improvement" and/or "unsatisfactory" during the April, 2004, IMPEP review.
- 3. Other: September 26, 2004, letter sent by the Chairman to Governor Schwarzenegger State staff expressed concern that they had not been informed before it was sent to the Governor. They noted benefits in their working with the Governor's Office in anticipation of receiving such a letter and requested that State staff be provided notification for future communications to the Governor. Mr. Lohaus committed to provide such notifications whenever possible. He shared with State staff the request made by CRCPD and OAS leadership to the Commission that the NRC consider sending such letters to assist State radiation control programs in receiving recognition for their efforts and to assist in competing for necessary resources.

4. <u>Date for next conference call</u>: the next conference call was scheduled for December 2, 2004, @ 4 p.m. (EST). Subsequently, due to the State's request to extend the response date to the October 20, 2004, letter to Dr. Jackson to November 30, 2004, the next call was scheduled for December 9, 2004, @ 4:00 p.m. (EST).

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