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Subject: Re: Finding the quote...

Glenn,

I left a voice mail with Barry regarding this issue. I am confident that although we committed to consider any needed changes to Security/Safeguards, we were considering making those changes ***within the context of the ROP***. SECY-02-006 (ROP annual self assessment)(4/3/02), page 6. "To address these issues, the staff performed the following . . . Began a thorough evaluation of the physical protection inspection procedures as a result of September 11, 2001, events and initiated changes to the applicable inspection procedures." Also, page 7, "The staff will reevaluate the physical security baseline inspections and revise them following the comprehensive review of the safeguards area discussed in SECY-01-0215 . . ." Both indicate that while we were considering changes, they were to be within the structure/framework of the ROP. Can't recall anything more definitive.

In COMSECY-0020015(4/4/02), "Withholding Sensitive Homeland Security Information From the Public," we told the Commission that "Certain categories of information have been restored to the public domain because they attracted a large amount of public interest. These include: performance indicators and inspection findings, OSRE findings that have been corrected, the plant status report . . ." The Commission approved in SRM dated 5/28/03. Again, while not definitive, this indicates that we were implementing a course of action to return safeguards (and the rest of the ROP as it relates to public availability of information) to pre-9/11 approaches.

Hope this helps. Will let you know if I can dredge anything up from the cobwebs.

Mike

>>> Glenn Tracy 10/06/03 06:23PM >>>  
Mike J:

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Thanks again for your vast assistance today, especially in light of your other major events. I just called Cyndi and she indicates that the quote that described the basis for the staff's actions has not yet been identified.

I remember it taking a little time last time (exactly two days as I recall) for you to find the quotation and hope that it can again be identified again and distributed. I learned from Cyndi that it could be within the Bill Reckley/Mindy Landau SECY, not the 2002 ROP SECY, discussing control of documentation and the public. The timing of all those papers/actions were in Spring/Summer 2002 and appropriate level of dissemination of issues/findings/NRC material to the public touched all of those products. I am tasking Barry Westreich to work with Bill to see if the quotation and continued consistency with the process is described within that Commission paper. The previous deliberations on the matter occurred and should be a matter of record.

I am more than confident that you provided a documented basis for the continuation of the process (consistent with Commission's intent at the time) during the Spring of 2002. I plan to push us to find that quotation again and then keep it as a part of the background for the SECY we will likely be directed to write. Thanks again for your continual support to us and your historical ROP perspective/continuity during our transition to NSIR..... Glenn

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