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From: Michael Kunowski
To: Heller, James
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Subject: Re: concern 2 of riii-04-a-0048

Jim,

Pat Loudon and I have looked it--aside from the spelling errors, it's ok.

>>> James Heller 05/10/04 12:15PM >>>

Based on Jack's comments I revised the closure information do you agree?

An attribute of the inspection plan for the 95003 supplemental inspection (IR 05-266/301/2003-07) included interviews with plant staff and manager; the interviewee indicated that they were willing to raise safety concerns. Another attribute included an assessment of the thoroughness of selected evaluations. In addition the effectiveness of the corrective action program is also reviewed as part of the resident inspectors' routine inspection efforts. In general, the corrective action program was found to be adequate. Lastly, the inspectors identified that worker are being held accountable for the time it takes to complete corrective action evaluations which basically means that extensions are no longer routinely granted. The inspection team did not find examples where the failure to grant an extension resulted in an inadequate evaluation

Our inspection/interviews did not substantiate that (1) workers are chilled or are not willing to raise issue and (2) workers do not perform thorough evaluations of corrective actions because of a negative perception associated with asking for a due date extension. Although not a specific attribute of the inspection plan, the inspectors found no indication that workers do not admit or report personal errors

The ARB determined that without specific examples, the concern is to general for the NRC to inspect and it is to general to refer the concern to the licensee and request an Independent investigation. Since the concern is to general and based on our inspections to date the ARB determined that this concern should be closed.

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