



**UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
REGION IV
611 RYAN PLAZA DRIVE, SUITE 400
ARLINGTON, TEXAS 76011-4005**

March 8, 2005

THIS LETTER WAS ISSUED TO THOSE ON THE ATTACHED LIST.

SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF UPCOMING MEETING

Dear _____:

Each year, the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) conducts an integrated assessment of nuclear power plant performance. This assessment is based upon the risk significance of the inspection findings by the NRC's resident and region-based inspectors and the insights gained from the licensee-provided performance indicators. The results are then communicated with the public through a public meeting held in the vicinity of each nuclear power plant. Nationally, plants with significant performance shortcomings are reviewed by the NRC's senior management and discussed with the Commission in a public meeting in Rockville, Maryland.

We have completed the annual assessment associated with the 2004 inspections and performance indicators for Waterford 3. The results can be found on the NRC web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/NRR/OVERSIGHT/ASSESS/index.html>. We have also scheduled a public meeting to discuss the results. The meeting for Waterford 3 is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 30, 2005, in the Council Chamber, St. Charles Parish Courthouse, located at 15045 River Road, Hahnville, LA.

In conjunction with this meeting, we are offering all local decision-makers an opportunity to meet separately with an NRC Region IV manager and myself, the NRC Senior Resident Inspector at Waterford 3, immediately following the public meeting. This opportunity is intended to provide you a forum to ask any questions that you may have and to let you meet personally the NRC personnel with whom you would interface in the event of an emergency at the nuclear power plant.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter will be made available electronically for public inspection in the Publicly Available Records (PARS) component of NRC's document system (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html> (the Public Electronic Reading Room).

-2-

I fully anticipate that you will find this opportunity responsive to your needs and I look forward to personally greeting you at the meeting. Should you have any questions concerning this initiative, please contact me at 985/783-6253.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Ramon V. Azua
Acting Senior Resident Inspector
Waterford 3

INDIVIDUAL LETTERS WERE SENT TO:

Federal Emergency Management Agency
ATTN: Ron Castleman, Regional Director
Region VI, Federal Center
800 North Loop 288
Denton, TX 76201-3698

Col. Michael L. Brown, Deputy Director
Louisiana Office of Homeland Security and
Emergency Preparedness
7667 Independence Blvd.
Baton Rouge, LA 70806

Albert D. Laque, Parish President
St. Charles Parish
P.O. Box 302
Hahnville, LA 70057

Sheriff Greg Champagne
St. Charles Parish
P.O. Box 426
Hahnville, LA 70057

Rep. Gary L. Smith, Jr.
State of Louisiana, District 56
P.O. Box 189
Norco, LA 70079

Senator Joel T. Chaisson, II
State of Louisiana, District 19
P.O. Box 1255
Destrehan, LA 70047

Tab Troxler, Director
Dept. of Emergency Preparedness
St. Charles Parish
P.O. Box 302
Hahnville, LA 70057

Clayton "Snookie" Fauchaux
Councilman-at-Large, Div. B
St. Charles Parish
140 North Oak Court
P.O. Box 1342
Luling, LA 70070

Desmond J. Hilaire
Councilman, District 1
St. Charles Parish
P.O. Box 111
Hahnville, LA 70057

Brian A. Fabre
Councilman, District 2
St. Charles Parish
322 Beaupre Drive
Luling, LA 70070

G. "Ram" Ramchandron
Councilman, District 3
St. Charles Parish
237 Ormond Village Drive
Destrehan, LA 70047

Derryl Walls
Councilman, District 4
St. Charles Parish
P.O. Box 516
Boutte, LA 70039

April Black
Councilwoman, District 5
St. Charles Parish
14 Bridle Path Lane
St. Rose, LA 70087

Richard "Dickie" Duhe
Councilman, District 6
St. Charles Parish
401 Oak Street
Norco, LA 70079

Barry Minnich
Councilman, District 7
St. Charles Parish
337 Wanda Street
Luling, LA 70070

Nickie Monica, President
St. John the Baptist Parish
1801 West Airline Highway
LaPlace, LA 70068

Paul Oncale
Public Safety Director
St. John the Baptist Parish
1801 W. Airline Highway
LaPlace, LA 70068

Sheriff Wayne Jones
St. John the Baptist Parish
1801 W. Airline Highway
LaPlace, LA 70068