

From: Joseph Petrosino *NRR*
 To: *MM* Chan, Terence; Holmberg, Melvin *R-111*
 Date: 6/2/04 3:04PM
 Subject: Re: NRR-2004-A-0026 TAC#3234 Point Beach

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Excellent! Thank you Terence... *2/2*

>>> Terence Chan 06/02/04 02:57PM >>> *NRR*
 DE concludes there is no startup, safety or compliance issue if PBNP performed its inspection in IAW Order (or First Revised Order) EA-03-009 and any Order relaxation that NRC may have authorized.

*NRR
Response*

✓>>> Joseph Petrosino 6/2/2004 1:43:30 PM >>>
 Thank You Mel.

Will you, or other RIII staff, continue your dialogue with NMC to resolve these specific concerns that you identified or are your specific concerns in the NRR Division of Engineering review responsibility?

*NRR
Response*

You also concluded that "the facts suggest that the licensee may have undetected cracks in other J-groove welds. If these cracks are acceptable from a leakage integrity standpoint, the Region III inspector has not been provided a reference to any deterministic analysis that demonstrates this cracking cannot grow through the J-groove weld prior to the next Unit 1 outage."

Would we therefore have a RIII startup concern for PBNP Unit 1 based on Mel's findings, or is NRR-DE indicating that we do not have a safety or compliance issue if PBNP performed its inspection in IAW the Order 03-009???

Thanks,
Joe

✓>>> Melvin Holmberg 06/02/04 10:34AM >>>

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✓>>> Joseph Petrosino 06/01/04 02:43PM >>>
 Mel:

NRR

Regarding the May 27, 2004, NMC response letter to RIII of the penetration 26 "J" groove welds, I would like to ask you whether there was any parts or aspects of the licensee's response that were not adequate.

*NRR
Response*

We are taking this to an ARB on June 3rd and would like to know what your position is before Thursday so we can ensure we have a complete story and a recommended position BEFORE we go into the ARB for its members.

Thanks for Your Help,
Joe

(Frank Talbot is our Technical lead for DIPM)

CC: Bateman, Bill; Caniano, Roy; Chernoff, Harold; Cwalina, Gregory; Heller, James; Hills, David; Loudon, Patrick; Morris, R. Michael; Pederson, Cynthia; Quay, Theodore; Reynolds, Steven; Talbot, Frank; Thatcher, Dale

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