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Subject:

Re: Prep for 11/12 mtg

Good idea...

I and Pete Koltay will answer this question because this is a technical issue that has bearing on the inspection program. We (Pete and I) don't agree that the criteria here are any more subjective than other criteria typically used in other inspectable areas.

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/>>> Ricḥard Dudley 11/07/03 02:45PM >>>

Are you available to get together with my boss Cathy Haney, OE and SPLB on Monday to double check our preparations for the Wed. meeting? Also, we can go over some questions that we expect from the public on Wed. and decide who will answer them and perhaps even discuss the answers.

Questions such as:

- 1. Why has the NRC allowed the use of unapproved manual actions in the past? Why hasn't the NRC been requiring licensees to meet its fire protection regulations?
- 2. When did these practices develop? Why did it take the NRC so long to figure out what was going on?
- 3. Why didn't NRC fire protection inspectors cite licensees for using unapproved manual actions?

Did we do fire protection inspections at all during this time period?

4. How can using manual actions be as safe as a three hour fire barrier or having physical separation between redundant shutdown trains?

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