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TELEPHONE CALL - J. E. McEWEN TO V. S. BOYER,  
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I called Mr. V. S. Boyer of Philadelphia Electric (P.E.) and discussed the following items concerning the Peach Bottom application:

1. A tentative time and place for a meeting between ourselves and Philadelphia Electric Company to discuss containment testing philosophy was established. Mr. Boyer will call this week to confirm the date.
2. In response to our question, Mr. Boyer outlined the present and future involvement of the Bechtel and General Atomic organizations in the Peach Bottom demonstration testing and initial operation. In summary, although it is clear that Philadelphia Electric Company as owner and operator of the plant (as well as applicant) is taking full responsibility for its operation, they appear to be making good use of Bechtel and General Atomic in an advisory capacity. It also appears that because of contracts with the Commission and because of their own interest that General Atomic is maintaining a close follow on the plant as well as maintaining a high level of cooperation with Philadelphia Electric.
3. It was pointed out that the location of the Peach Bottom plant in a dairy area made it necessary to consider the iodine-milk cycle in establishing radioactive gas release limits. Mr. Boyer indicated that he was not aware of this, but agreed to look into it.
4. Mr. Levine talked briefly with Mr. Boyer concerning Health Physics staffing. He pointed out his concern that although Peach Bottom had a position for a health physicist, its being unfilled up to this time appears as a weakness in their organization. He cited that this weakness was presently indicated

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in that, although P.E. was the applicant, they appeared to be relying almost entirely upon G.A. to make dose calculations in connection with accident analyses; whereas, most applicants consider it necessary to check the plant designers' calculations to insure that they were adequate. He also stated that most power reactors had found the continuing need for a competent health physicist on their operating staff. Mr. Boyer acknowledged Mr. Levine's comments and agreed to re-evaluate their Health Physics staffing.

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