

June 22, 2005

### MEETING SUMMARY

LICENSEE: PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE GROUP NUCLEAR, LLC. (PSEG)  
FACILITY: SALEM NUCLEAR UNITS 1 AND 2 AND HOPE CREEK  
SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENT AND SCWE IMPROVEMENT UPDATE MEETING

On June 8, 2005, at 7:00 p.m., a management meeting was conducted between the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and Public Service Enterprise Group Nuclear, LLC (PSEG) at the Bridgeport Holiday Inn in Swedesboro, NJ. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the NRC's assessment of the safety performance at the Salem and Hope Creek Generating Stations for calendar year 2004 and to review PSEG actions to improve performance in the following areas:

- Safety conscious work environment;
- Problem identification and resolution;
- Procedure adherence and other elements of human performance; and
- Quality of engineering products particularly as they relate to evaluation of degraded equipment and associated operational decision making.

The meeting was opened by Randy Blough, Director, Division of Reactor Safety, NRC Region I, who introduced the staff and initiated the NRC presentation. The Regional Administrator also participated in the meeting. The agenda was modified to begin the meeting with a discussion by PSEG regarding the circumstances surrounding the declaration of a Notice of Unusual Event at Hope Creek on June 7, 2005, due to elevated leakage into containment. Following PSEG's discussion, Eugene Cobey, Chief, Projects Branch No. 3, discussed the NRC's response to the event. The NRC transitioned back to the planned meeting agenda and presented the results of the NRC's assessment of the safety performance at the Salem and Hope Creek Generating Stations for calendar year 2004. PSEG's presentation followed the NRC's and discussed their response to the NRC's 2004 assessment and their actions to improve performance at the site. PSEG also responded to questions by NRC staff members throughout the meeting. Refer to the NRC and PSEG presentations for details. Approximately 75 people were in attendance.

After a short break, public attendees were offered the opportunity to ask questions of NRC officials. The comments and questions pertained to a variety of topics, including security, the Exelon merger and Executive Review Board process. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:00 p.m.

The NRC presentation slides, PSEG presentation slides, and handouts provided at the meeting are attached or can be located in the Agencywide Documents Access and Management Systems (ADAMS) by referring to the package accession number, ML050750455. ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>.

Sincerely,

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Eugene W. Cobey, Chief  
Projects Branch 3  
Division of Reactor Projects

Attachments:

1. Public Attendee Sign-In Sheet (ML051640268)
2. Speaker Sign-In Sheet (ML051640274)
2. NRC Staff Slide Presentation (ML051600329)
3. PSEG Slide Presentation (ML051600348)
4. Hope Creek Nuclear Generating Station 2004 Annual Assessment Letter (ML050610334)
5. Salem Nuclear Generation Station 2004 Annual Assessment Letter (ML050610352)
6. Deviation from Reactor Oversight Process Action Matrix for heightened oversight at Salem and Hope Creek (ML042290139)
7. NUREG-1649, "Reactor Oversight Process" (ML003738931 or <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/nuregs/staff/sr1649/r3/sr1649r3.pdf>)
8. NUREG/BR-0164, "NRC: Regulator of Nuclear Safety" (ML003776974 or <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/nuregs/brochures/br0164/r4/br0164r4.pdf>)
9. NUREG/BR-0240, "Reporting Safety Concerns to the NRC" (ML051400092 or <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/nuregs/brochures/br0240/r3/br0240r3.pdf>)
10. Protecting Our Nation Since 9-11-2001 (ML042650352 or <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/nuregs/brochures/br0314/br0314.pdf>)

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