

August 26, 2005

The Honorable Edward J. Markey
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Markey:

On behalf of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), I am responding to your letter of July 22, 2005, regarding security at Florida Power and Light's (FPL's) Seabrook Station in Seabrook, New Hampshire. In your letter, you reiterated your earlier request, by letters dated May 25, June 1, and June 7, 2005, for specific information regarding security issues at the Seabrook Station.

In the Commission's July 11, 2005 response to your earlier request, the Commission informed you that the NRC is conducting a special inspection to review the apparent causes of the identified technical problems and to assess FPL's actions to correct the problems and prevent recurrence. The NRC staff expects to complete the special inspection by the middle of September 2005. The final inspection report will be issued within 45 days of the completion of the inspection.

In addition to the special inspection, the NRC has a separate review in progress to identify the underlying causes for the potential human performance issues related to the security issues at Seabrook. This review is expected to be completed by the end of October, and the final report is expected to be issued by the end of November 2005. Following completion of these reviews, the Commission will provide written responses to the questions raised in your letters.

Finally, you requested a briefing on the special inspection team's assessment regarding causes of the problems identified during the inspection. The NRC staff has contacted Michal Freedhoff of your staff to arrange a convenient date in September to meet with you and Congressmen Tierney and Meehan to discuss NRC's review of the security issues at Seabrook. If you have any additional questions regarding these matters, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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Nils J. Diaz

August 26, 2005

The Honorable John F. Tierney
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Tierney:

On behalf of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), I am responding to your letter of July 22, 2005, regarding security at Florida Power and Light's (FPL's) Seabrook Station in Seabrook, New Hampshire. In your letter, you reiterated your earlier request, by letters dated May 25, June 1, and June 7, 2005, for specific information regarding security issues at the Seabrook Station.

In the Commission's July 11, 2005 response to your earlier request, the Commission informed you that the NRC is conducting a special inspection to review the apparent causes of the identified technical problems, and to assess FPL's actions to correct the problems and prevent recurrence. The NRC staff expects to complete the special inspection by the middle of September 2005. The final inspection report will be issued within 45 days of the completion of the inspection.

In addition to the special inspection the NRC has a separate review in-progress to identify the underlying causes for the potential human performance issues related to the security issues at Seabrook. This review is expected to be completed by the end of October, and the final report is expected to be issued by the end of November 2005. Following completion of these reviews, the Commission will provide written responses to the questions raised in your letters.

Finally, you requested a briefing on the special team's results of Seabrook's security-related problems identified by the NRC. We are currently working to arrange for a September briefing. If you have any additional questions regarding these matters, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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Nils J. Diaz

August 26, 2005

The Honorable Martin T. Meehan
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Meehan:

On behalf of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), I am responding to your letter of July 22, 2005, regarding security at Florida Power and Light's (FPL's) Seabrook Station in Seabrook, New Hampshire. In your letter, you reiterated your earlier request for specific information regarding the security issues.

In the Commission's July 11, 2005 response to your earlier request, the Commission informed you that the NRC is conducting a special inspection to review the apparent causes of the identified technical problems, and to assess FPL's actions to correct the problems and prevent recurrence. The NRC staff expects to complete the special inspection by the middle of September 2005. The final inspection report will be issued within 45 days of the completion of the inspection.

In addition to the special inspection the NRC has a separate review in-progress to identify the underlying causes for the potential human performance issues related to the security issues at Seabrook. This review is expected to be completed by the end of October, and the final report is expected to be issued by the end of November 2005. Following completion of these reviews, we plan to provide written responses to the questions raised in letters to us from Congressmen Markey and Tierney, dated May 25 and June 1, 2005, and to the questions raised in your letter to us dated June 7, 2005.

Finally, you requested a briefing on the special team's results of Seabrook's security-related problems identified by the NRC. We are currently working to arrange for a September briefing. If you have any additional questions regarding these matters, please contact me.

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