

Allegation Receipt Report
(Use also for Staff Suspected Wrongdoing)

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Date Received: May 24, 2004

Allegation No. RI-2004-A-0070
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Received via: Telephone In-person Letter e-mail

Employee Receiving Allegation or suspecting wrongdoing (first two initials and last name): A. R. Blough
(allegation receipt form drafted by G.S. Barber)

Source of information (please check one box): licensee employee former licensee employee contractor former contractor anonymous news media private citizen federal agency state agency NRC staff licensee identified special interest group

Alleger Name: Home Address:

Home Phone: City/State/Zip:

Alleger's Position/Title:

* Do not complete these sections for issues of staff suspected wrongdoing.

Facility: Salem and Hope Creek

Docket No. or License No.: 50-272, 311, 354

Was alleger informed of NRC identity protection policy? Yes ___ No X
If H&I was alleged, was alleger informed of DOL rights? Yes ___ No ___ N/A X

If a licensee employee or contractor, did they raise the issue to their management and/or ECP? Yes ___ No ___ N/A X

Does the alleger object to referral of issues to the licensee? Yes ___ No ___

Provide alleger's direct response to this question verbatim on the line below:

Was confidentiality requested? Yes ___ No X

Was confidentiality initially granted? Yes ___ No X N/A X

Individual Granting Confidentiality: _____

Criteria for determining whether the issue is an allegation:

Is it a declaration, statement, or assertion of impropriety or inadequacy? Yes / No

Is the impropriety or inadequacy associated with NRC regulated activities? Yes / No

Is the validity of the issue unknown? Yes / No

If No to any of the above questions, the issue is not an allegation and should be handled by other appropriate methods (e.g. as a request for information, public responsiveness matter, or an OSHA referral).

Allegation Summary or staff suspected wrongdoing: (Recipient of the allegation shall summarize each concern here - provide additional detail on reverse side of form, if necessary. If entering allegation electronically, highlight Allegation Summary in bold and use larger font size)

The alleger noted that the Utilities Service Alliance (USA) performed to evaluate the work environment at Salem and Hope Creek indicated that licensed operators were working a significant amount of undocumented overtime. The alleger asserted that this undocumented overtime could potentially lead to nonconformances with PSEG procedures on the control of overtime. If the overtime abuse was excessive, it could also lead to violations of NRC requirements on the control of overtime.

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Functional Area (please check one box):

- Academic Decommissioning Materials Decommissioning Reactor Exempt Distribution
 General Licensee Gun Sights Irradiators Medical Nuclear Gauges Nuclear Laundry
 Nuclear Pharmacy Power Reactor Radiography Research and Development (R&D)
 Research/Test Reactor Safeguards SNM Teletherapy Transportation Vendor
 Veterinary Non-human Waste Disposal Well Logging Other: _____

Discipline for each concern (place the concern no(s). (either 1, 2, 3, etc.) in the box provided):

- Chemistry Chilling Effect Civil/Structural Construction Corrective Action
 Discrimination Electrical Emergency Preparedness Employee Concerns Program
 Engineering Environmental Environmental Qualification Falsification Fire Protection
 Fitness-for-Duty Health Physics HVAC Industrial Safety Inservice testing
 Instrumentation and Control Maintenance Mechanical Misadministration NDE
 Operations Procurement Quality Assurance Radwaste Safeguards Security
 Source disconnect Startup testing Training/qualification Transportation Unsupervised
 Radiography Wrongdoing Other: _____

Detailed Description of Allegation or staff suspected wrongdoing: (Do not state the allegor's name in this section - simply refer to the individual as the allegor)

The allegor obtained a copy of the Synergy, USA, and IAT reports on the Salem/HC work environemnt review to the allegor on Thursday, May 20th. The allegor identified that page 17 of the USA report states that "some personnel, including licensed operators, are working significant amounts of professional (unpaid) overtime In many cases, these additional hours are not captured on official timesheets."

He/she questioned whether licensed operators had been putting in longer hours than permitted by the working hour limits, and if so, were procedures being violated to avoid putting these excess hours on the timesheets?

When taking the allegation, ask questions such as

WHAT IS THE ALLEGATION?

WHAT IS THE REQUIREMENT/VIOLATION?

WHERE IS IT LOCATED?

WHEN DID IT OCCUR?

WHO IS INVOLVED/WITNESSED?

HOW/WHY DID IT OCCUR?

WHAT EVIDENCE CAN BE EXAMINED?

WHAT IS THE STATUS OF THE LICENSEE'S ACTIONS?

How did the allegor find out about the concern(s); other individuals NRC should contact for additional information; records NRC should review; whether the allegor raised the concerns with his or her management; allegor's preference for method and time of contact.