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I am a rotating shift worker at the Clinton Power Station in the operations department. I have been informed by one of my Supervisors that we will be going to a twelve hour rotating schedule because of the changes coming in the near future with the 10CFR26 regulations because of the NRC's concerns with worker fatigue.

I am pleased that the NRC is concerned about workers and fatigue they experience, but after review of the draft proposed changes I am concerned that your fix falls short of accomplishing it's goal.

Many case studies have been performed in our lifetime by Medical Professionals that conclude that after 10 consecutive hours of work, all human functions diminish.

The NRC's proposed changes only address the tailend of the fatigue cycle. Your proposed changes should also address limiting the consecutive number of hours worked to Ten Hours. DOT regulations put into effect within the last five years have addressed this concern with over the road truck drivers. Work at a Nuclear Power Plant does require workers be physically and mentally alert. The NRC needs to address this issue completely to best assure the goal of all workers at Nuclear Facilities are not fatigued while engaged with work activities is attained.

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Van,

Attached for docketing is a comment letter on the above noted proposed rule from Jim Pulley that I received on 10/29/05.

Carol

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