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All,

Several members of the Vermont State Nuclear Advisory Panel (VSNAP) were on-site today for a briefing regarding the on-going pilot engineering inspection and the potential IBEW strike. The VSNAP members here today included the following:

- David O'Brien, Vermont State Commissioner of Public Service Chairman of the VSNAP;
- William Sherman, Vermont State Nuclear Engineer;
- Russell Kulas; and
- Vermont State Senator Mark McDonald.

The briefing was led by Jeff Jacobson, the pilot engineering inspection team leader. Jeff provided the VSNAP with an overview of the inspection, the development of the TI, the process for the selection of components and operator actions to be inspected, and a general discussion of how issues would be documented.

VSNAP members asked questions regarding team independence and team expertise. Panel members also asked how differences of opinion between team members or the team and NRC Management would be resolved. Jeff provided what I felt were great responses to these questions. Also at the meeting were Larry Doerflein and Wayne Lanning. Wayne provided a Management perspective on the questions raised by panel members. Panel members also asked questions regarding the potential IBEW strike at VY and how a strike would impact the engineering inspection. Panel members were assured by Wayne and Jeff that the inspection would proceed and that the NRC would take actions, as necessary, to ensure that there would be no impact on the scope or effectiveness of the inspection. VSNAP members then asked questions regarding Entergy's strike contingency plans and the resident inspector's/Region's strike contingency process. Finally, panel members had the opportunity to meet with the pilot inspection team members.

Overall, the briefing of the VSNAP was positive and professional. If anyone has any comments or questions, please call.

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