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Subject: Recent info submitted by RI-2003-A-0110 allegor and UCS

- SENSITIVE ALLEGATION INFORMATION -
- PROTECT APPROPRIATELY -

We should discuss this issue at the Update ARB tomorrow.

Please see the attached recent information submitted by the allegor. Initially we did not have the document to which she referred (an N1 review?). The document-in-question was later provided to Eileen N. by Dave Lochbaum. It appears, although I'm not absolutely sure, that the document was authored by A. Carolyn Taylor, Salem/HC's Plant Support Root Cause and Advanced Organizational and Programmatic (O&P) analysis expert. It's also not obvious why the review was done which prompted the development of the document. The document is an assessment of several Severity Level 1 Root Cause Assessments and reaches a conclusion that there is inadequate accountability at all levels of site management, and that this had been the cause of many recent problems at the facility. While I don't know everything that has happened at the site over the past few years, it appears that many, if not all, of the SL1 RCA's referred to in the document relate to issues already known by the NRC. In fact, for one issue, the author provided a previous comment made by NRC about the issue, and for another issue, the document specifically acknowledged that the issue was identified by the NRC. I ask that those with more knowledge than me about these items, review the document, and give me a read on our awareness of issues discussed therein and what our follow-up has been. It would appear to me that much of what is referred to in this document are similar issues to those which helped form the basis for our 1/28/04 letter to the licensee.

As you can see by the allegor's note, she has formed a conclusion, based on her review of this singular document, that the NRC should reconsider shutting down all the plants at Salem/HC before someone is killed or a nuclear disaster happens. She is expecting feedback on her comments, so I need to get back to her after I get some internal feedback on the N1 document. So, as before, thanks in advance for your prompt review and comments. Please be ready to discuss at the ARB tomorrow, so that I can formulate an appropriate e-mail in response to her comments. My hope is that we can inform her that we are aware of the issues mentioned in the N1 document and that we will incorporate this into our ongoing follow-up.

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