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Desc: 1) 1992, Waterford 3 (50-382) LER regarding hurricane Andrew. The hurricane struck on August 25 or 26, 1992.
2) NRC report on hurricane Andrew if Waterford 3 is included.
3) LER from Waterford 3 on Katrina if one exists.

FeeCategory: Personal_Noncommercial

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FeeCategory_Description:

Expedite_ImminentThreatText:

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Waiver_Purpose: 1) To support a recommendation for an award to Dr. Thomas Murley, former Director of NRR for his actions during hurricane Andrew in allowing the Waterford 3 to continue operating. This action saved lives by preventing the electrical blackout of New Orleans for a period of 10 hours or more.

Waiver_ExtentToExtractAnalyze: Conditions at the site and wind speeds for a Cat 3 storm will be compared to those during Katrina where loss of lives could be attributed in part to the loss of electricity,

For Andrew, no loss of life could be attributed to loss of electricity.

Waiver_SpecificActivityQuals: I was the Licensing Project Manager for the 1992 event and spent most of the night on half hourly phone calls with the plant to monitor conditions. I have first hand knowledge of actions the Dr. Murley took and the pressures he was under to order a plant shutdown. We could not quantify the potential results of Dr. Murley's actions (no loss of life with electrical blackout) until Katrina occurred.

Waiver_ImpactPublicUnderstanding: Neither the NRC or the public could quantify the effects of improper plant shutdown until it actually occurred. We had a general feeling that shutdown would cause chaos and some loss of lives, especially in New Orleans and it was this general knowledge that kept Dr. Murley focused and the citizens of New Orleans safe albeit not a nuclear safety issue.

Waiver_NatureOfPublic: The biggest understanding from such an award might be to the managers and emergency response staff of the NRC and the licensee. Such actions by Dr Murley go beyond nuclear safety but uphold his commitment to the general safety of the public. His is a regulated activity strongly tied to nuclear safety and security but conducted in the best interest of the general public.

Waiver_MeansOfDissemination: An award to a former high ranking NRC Director is subject to the public relations efforts of the NRC. Dissemination would be at the NRC's discretion.

Waiver_FreeToPublicOrFee: No fees are involved in the access to information or the presentation of the award if one is approved.

Waiver_PrivateCommercialInterest: There is no commercial interest. With the personal knowledge that I now possess, as supported by the information requested, my interest is in acknowledging the action by Dr. Murley which might reinforce future decisions by other managers and leaders within the NRC.