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From: Melvin Holmberg
To: David Hills; Nirodh Shah; Richard Skokowski
Date: 12/14/05 3:32PM
Subject: Fwd: Re: tritium inspection plan--technical contact

Dave, Nick and Rick, I have spoken with the licensee (Jerry Panfield) on their inspection plans. They will use the "Sahara" acoustical leak detection system from the Pressure Pipe Inspection Co to detect any other leakage sources (other than the vacuum breaker valves) from the 5 miles of affected piping. I plan to go to the site and observe one day of this testing on December 22nd and provide any input and insights to John House for his inspection followup.

[Redacted]

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Thanks,

>>> David Hills 12/14/05 12:44 PM >>>
Mel,

DRP has asked for some limited support with respect to the Braidwood tritium issue. Basically, the licensee is going to try to show that there is no current ongoing release (break in the pipe) by some type of acoustical monitoring technique. [Redacted] They have requested that one of our NDE folks call the licensee contact indicated in the attached and question them regarding this technique. They would like some feedback on our views on whether this technique is sufficient to show no pipe leakage. Could you handle this for us? After you talk to them, let me know what you think as well.

EGG

- Thanks

CC: John House; Steven Orth

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