

From: Rani Franovich , NRR
 To: A. Randolph Blough
 Date: Mon, Mar 28, 2005 4:27 PM
 Subject: Re: letters on Salem/Hope creek OI findings - - NRR withholding concurrence??

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Hi Randy,
 I spoke with Rick Urban about the request for NRR's concurrence on these letters last week. I indicated to Rick that NRR would follow the normal process for "3-week E-mails" in response to OI case findings... the exception being that Region I had asked for an expeditious review (i.e., within one or two days). The normal process is for the OI case to be summarized by the Regional Enforcement Coordinator and distributed to the NRR Enforcement Coordinator (as well as others in OI, OE and OGC) via email with the following statement at the end: "If no other views are received within 3 weeks of the date of this e-mail, the aforementioned letters will be sent."

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For the Salem/Hope Creek letters, NRR has no reason to believe that the wrong conclusions have been reached by OI. Therefore, no "differing view" has been expressed. However, NRR is not normally asked to concur on these types of letters; in my view, this was no exception.

So, NRR is not withholding its concurrence. Rather, it is refraining from expressing an "other view," in accordance with the established process. I informed NRR management of the pending letters last week, for their information (attached), and copied Rick Urban.

Sorry for any confusion this has created in Region I.
 Rani

>>> A. Randolph Blough 03/28/05 10:48AM >>>
 I'm hearing, indirectly, that NRR may be withholding concurrence...these are important Agency actions that include a major comm plan, and i would therefore think we are much better prepared to go forward if we are all together on this. Do we need to slip the schedule? could one of you call and fill me in? i'm at [610-337-5229] after 12:15, i will be enroute to millstone, but availablre by cell phone:

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thanks.
 randy

CC: Bruce Boger; Cornelius Holden; Daniel Holody; Darrell Roberts; David Vito; Ernest Wilson; Frank Congel; James Lyons; James Trapp; Jennifer Uhle; Lisamarie Jarriel; Michael Case; Richard Laufer; Richard Urban; Samuel Hansell; Tad Marsh

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From: Rani Franovich *RAF*
To: Brian Sheron; Bruce Boger; James Lyons; Jim Dyer; Michael Case; Richard Borchardt; Tad Marsh
Date: Thu, Mar 24, 2005 3:56 PM
Subject: Fwd: Salem/Hope Creek Letters - Sensitive Allegation Material

FYI..

I'm not sure when this was ARB'd, but it was done in the region - not HQ. NRR did not participate. The letters (attached, to individual and to licensee) state that discrimination concerns were not substantiated. *kel*

Since the EDO and the Commission will be briefed on this early next week, I wanted to make sure NRR management is aware of the pending letters. Please note that NRR concurrence is not required. I will be out tomorrow. If there are, by chance, any comments, they should be forwarded to Bob Fretz and Leigh Trocine in the Office of Enforcement by COB tomorrow (with copy to me).

Thanks,
Rani

CC: Chris Nolan; Cornelius Holden; Daniel Collins; Daniel Holody; Darrell Roberts; Gregory Cwalina; Leigh Trocine; Richard Urban; Robert Fretz

From: Robert Fretz ^{OF}
To: Rani Franovich
Date: Wed, Mar 23, 2005 3:01 PM
Subject: Fwd: Salem/Hope Creek Letters

The attached email contains SENSITIVE ALLEGATION MATERIAL

Rani,

Attached are two draft letters for HQ concurrence from Region I regarding the Salem/Hope Creek SCWE allegations. The draft letters have a spot for NRR concurrence. Does NRR want to concur on these letters? If so, Region I will need to receive concurrence by COB this Friday. Friday is necessary in order for us to stay on schedule for EDO and Commissioner Merrifield briefings next Monday and Tuesday.

If NRR has any comments, please coordinate them through me. Thanks.

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CC: Daniel Collins; Darrell Roberts

From: Richard Urban *RU*
To: Trocine, Leigh
Date: Tue, Mar 22, 2005 2:53 PM
Subject: Salem/Hope Creek Letters

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SENSITIVE ALLEGATION MATERIAL

Leigh, attached are 2 letters for HQ concurrence, sent to you per Arrighi's instructions. To stay on track we need to receive concurrence by COB this Friday. The EDO and Commissioner Merrifield briefings are next Monday and Tuesday, respectively.

If any HQ cc'd individuals have comments, please coordinate them thru Leigh. Thanks.

CC: Arrighi, Russell; Holody, Daniel; Jarriel, Lisamarie; Nolan, Chris; Riffle, Deani; Teator, Jeffrey; Vito, David