From:

Brian Holian

To:

Arb; Daniel Holody; David Vito; Eileen Neff; Ernest Wilson; Glenn Meyer; GSB;

Theodore Wingfield

Date:

1/15/04 12:53PM

Subject:

Phone summary

Subject: I received a phone call late in the afternoon of Jan 14, from the alleger in case 2003 -0110; Hope Creek/Salem SCWE.

Background: Earlier in the week I had responded to a Dave Lochbaum email (sent to me and the alleger), indicating that although Dave Vito is the alleger's prime contact - that, yes, Randy Blough or myself can be contacted by the alleger for updates on the case.

The alleger provided some background...referring to a meeting in December with Mr. Lochbaum and others - individuals being used by the alleger for guidance in the case.

The alleger has been very happy with NRC actions and process...and has been considering going public (60 Minutes, NYTimes) - but has not felt that necessary or "helpful".

The alleger brought up a variety of issues, each aimed at wondering why the NRC hadn't met a "threshold" for action against the licensee. The alleger was aware of the current Hope Creek manual shutdown...and wondered why the NRC wouldn't choose to keep the plant down knowing what we know about the safety culture there. The alleger mentioned Davis Besse, which in the alleger's understanding is being held down currently solely for SCWE reasons.

We discussed a variety of topics: including the history of SCWE policy, the current Davis Besse situation, the length investigations like this can take, the type of things NRC looks at (tech spec violations, significant equipment issues, wrongdoing), an Indian Point case from about a year ago (as discussed in a public inspection report regarding security guard concerns over SCWE), ongoing NRC management review of this case, etc.

When discussing thresholds for NRC action, etc...the alleger noted that besides what she has given us...she believes she has been corroborated by statements made by the

I informed the alleger that I would follow up with those closest to the investigation this aspect.

A monthly allegation status meeting, already scheduled, was held this morning (1/15). I discussed the above item regarding the other two individuals mentioned Vito will call the alleger to clarify this point.

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