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One Liners for 4/04/02

Westinghouse

Westinghouse's LPR meeting was conducted last week and went smoothly. A newspaper article was issued the day of the LPR meeting titled, "NCR questions the safety of Bluff Road plant." The title was misleading as the article did say that the NRC believes Westinghouse is running the plant safely.

Westinghouse stated that a Compliance Team, involving a new temporary manager and several lower ranking personnel, is going to be set up to begin addressing the procedural violation issues.

One process upset did occur at the facility. A pump in the solvent extraction system failed, which allowed a stream with dilute uranium to back-flow into a steam off-gas system. The operators noticed this and shutdown the process. An investigation on the issue is underway.

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