

March 9, 2007

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SUBJECT: FORTHCOMING CLOSED MEETING WITH ARIZONA PUBLIC
SERVICE COMPANY AND SYNERGY

DATE & TIME: Wednesday, March 14, 2007
12:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 15, 2007
8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

LOCATION: U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Two White Flint North
11545 Rockville Pike, Room T-7A1
Rockville, Maryland

PURPOSE: To discuss Arizona Public Service Company (APS) plans for conducting a third-party safety culture assessment at the Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station, as described in NRC Inspection Procedure 95003, "Supplemental Inspection for Repetitive Degraded Cornerstones, Multiple Degraded Cornerstones, Multiple Yellow Inputs, or One Red Input" [Agencywide Document Access and Management System Accession No. ML062970393]

CATEGORY: This meeting is closed to the public in its entirety to discuss proprietary information about the licensee's safety culture assessment and methodology.

PARTICIPANTS: Participants from the NRC include members of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR), Office of Enforcement (OE), Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research (RES), and Region IV.

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WORKING-LEVEL MEETING WITH

ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY AND SYNERGY

ON LICENSEE SAFETY CULTURE ASSESSMENT

MARCH 14-15, 2007

1. Introductions
2. Background for meeting
3. Discuss the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC's) expectations for the licensee safety culture assessment:
 - Specific aspects that will be evaluated by the NRC are described in Inspection Procedure (IP) 95003 Sections 02.07, 03.07, and relevant enclosures to the IP.
 - Assessment team must be independent of licensee (including corporate) personnel, conducted by a third party.
 - All functional groups (including contractors), all management levels (including corporate) must be included with a rationale for sample selection and sizes.
 - Cross-walk to all 13 of NRC's safety culture components.
 - Rationale for method(s) selected and technical basis for combination of methods.
 - Technical basis for method(s) (e.g., if a survey is used, documentation of statistical characteristics of survey instrument, survey administration protocol).
 - Assessment tools should consider insights from prior site safety culture assessment, other self-assessments, and NRC findings for the past two years as deserving special attention.
4. Meeting closing remarks
5. Adjourn