

ENERGY PROJECT

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US Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Docket 50-390

Mr. Taylor:

On behalf of the Foundation for Global Sustainability's Energy Project, we are requesting a meeting on technical electrical cable issues and other concerns at the Watts Bar Nuclear Power Plant. We have studied Inspection Reports, Safety Evaluation Reports, and Corrective Action Plans and believe that there are still major problems with safety related and non-safety related cable that have not been sufficiently remedied. We would like to meet with people who are familiar with the technical aspects of the electrical system in order to discuss these concerns, which include:

- Several technical problems with 1E and non-1E cable including cable bend radius, multicable pulls, cable splicing, and voltage drop calculations.
- Complete breakdown of QA/QC
- Multiple turnover of management during the past 22 years
- Safety violations identified by whistleblowers were addressed by TVA Inspector General (IG) instead of the NRC. Due to the fact that the IG is not capable of conducting a technical investigation of the allegations, it will be necessary to take another look at the technical review of these violations.

It is important that this meeting occur as soon as possible, as TVA is planning to load fuel in mid-September. If you would suggest several potential dates during August and/or early September for a meeting in Tennessee, we will let you know which dates fit best with our schedule. I will be out of town during the third week in August (14 - 20). We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,



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