

From: Neil Sheehan *RI*
To: Steven Dolley
Date: 10/02/2007 4:27:05 PM
Subject: RE: Peach Bottom guards

Steve,

Our evaluation of the concerns was completed in August.

Neil
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>>> "Dolley, Steven" <Steven_Dolley@platts.com> 10/02/2007 12:48 PM >>>
Thanks Neil. When was the determination made that the issues raised
could not be substantiated?

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-----Original Message-----

From: Neil Sheehan [mailto:NAS@nrc.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, October 02, 2007 12:46 PM
To: Dolley, Steven
Subject: RE: Peach Bottom guards

Steve,

As we do with all allegations, a panel of NRC staffers performed an initial screening/review of the concerns. We also referred the issues raised to the utility, but without disclosing the identity of the allegor. At the same time, our Resident Inspectors followed up on the information. Once all of the concerns were checked out, the NRC panel met again to reievw them and decide whether further action was needed. At that point, it was determined we were not able to substantiate the issues raised.

Neil
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>>> "Dolley, Steven" <Steven_Dolley@platts.com> 10/02/2007 10:32 AM
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Thanks Neil. Following up:

"based on the information provided, we were unable to substantiate the concerns."

How did NRC come to this conclusion? For example, was it based on an investigation by the resident inspectors?

My deadline is 5 PM today for Nucleonics Week.

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Thanks,
Steve

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Steve,

The Project on Government Oversight (POGO) organization on Friday issued a press release stating that the NRC had ignored concerns about sleeping guards at Peach Bottom:
<http://www.pogo.org/p/homeland/ha-070928-nrc.html>

We can confirm that we received a letter forwarding concerns about inattentive guards at Peach Bottom in March. However, based on the information provided, we were unable to substantiate the concerns. We didn't provide a response to the person who raised the concerns because that person asked not to be contacted and we honored that request.

As we have discussed before, the NRC's normal policy is not to confirm or deny that we have received an allegation. We do this to protect the identity of anyone who brings a concern to us. But in this case, we determined it would be appropriate to discuss what happened since the letter has been publicly released. We are acknowledging that we received the allegation and that we followed up on it, per our normal processes, to determine if there were any safety issues but were unable to substantiate the concerns.

Also, we have issued the notice for the public exit meeting for the AIT. It will take place on Oct. 9th near the plant. A copy is attached.

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