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THE U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION STAFF AND THE
NUCLEAR ENERGY INSTITUTE

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No members of the public participated in this meeting.

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Agenda
U.S. NRC Staff and the Nuclear Energy Institute Meeting
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<u>Topic</u>	<u>Lead</u>
1. Introductions	NRC
2. Discussion of Comments of Station Blackout Scoping Draft Interim Staff Guidance	NEI/NRC
3. Public Participation	All

Letter to Nuclear Energy Institute, from D. Wrona, dated October 3,2008

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