

CURRICULUM VITAE RESUME

Arnold Gundersen

Energy Advisor

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Education and Training

ME NE	Masters of Engineering Nuclear Engineering Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, 1972 U.S. Atomic Energy Commission Fellowship Thesis: Cooling Tower Plume Rise
BS NE	Bachelor of Science Nuclear Engineering Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, 1971 Cum Laude, 3.74 out of 4.0 James J. Kerrigan Scholar
RO	Licensed Reactor Operator, U.S. Atomic Energy Commission License # OP-3014

Special Qualifications – including and not limited to:

- Energy Advisor, Fairewinds Associates, Inc
- Nuclear Engineering, Safety, and Reliability Expert
- 38-years of nuclear industry experience and oversight
- Former nuclear industry Senior Vice President
- Federal and Congressional hearing testimony and Expert Witness testimony
- Nuclear engineering management and nuclear engineering management assessment prudence assessment
- Nuclear power plant licensing and permitting – assessment and review
- Nuclear safety assessments, source term reconstructions, dose assessments, criticality analysis, and thermohydraulics
- Contract administration, assessment and review
- Former Licensed Reactor Operator
- Systems engineering and structural engineering assessments
- Cooling tower operation, cooling tower plumes, and thermal discharge assessment
- Nuclear fuel rack design and manufacturing, nuclear equipment design and manufacturing, and technical patents
- Radioactive waste processes, storage issue assessment, decommissioning, and waste disposal
- Reliability engineering and aging plant management assessments, in-service inspection
- Archival storage and document control
- Employee awareness programs, and public communications

Publications

Co-author — *DOE Decommissioning Handbook, First Edition*, 1981-1982, Authorship solicited by DOE

Co-author — *Decommissioning the Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Plant: An Analysis of Vermont Yankee's Decommissioning Fund and Its Projected Decommissioning Costs*, November 2007, Fairewinds Associates, Inc. Presented to Vermont State Senator Ginny Lyons and Vermont State Auditor Tom Salmon.

Co-author — *Decommissioning Vermont Yankee – Stage 2 Analysis of the Vermont Yankee Decommissioning Fund – The Decommissioning Fund Gap*, December 2007, Fairewinds Associates, Inc. Presented to Vermont State Senators and Legislators

Co-author — *Vermont Yankee Comprehensive Vertical Audit – VYCVA – Recommended Methodology to Thoroughly Assess Reliability and Safety Issues at Entergy Nuclear Vermont Yankee*, January 30, 2008 Testimony to Finance Committee Vermont Senate

Patents

Energy Absorbing Turbine Missile Shield – U.S. Patent # 4,397,608 – 8/9/1983

Committee Memberships

ANSI N-198, Solid Radioactive Waste Processing Systems

Founding Member of Connecticut Low Level Radioactive Waste Advisory Committee - 10 years

Three Rivers Community College: Nuclear Academic Advisory Board

National Nuclear Safety Network – Founding Board Member

Honors

James J. Kerrigan Scholar 1967–1971

Tau Beta Pi (Engineering Honor Society), RPI, 1969
(1 of 5 in Sophomore class of 700)

B.S. Degree, Cum Laude, RPI (3.74 GPA) 1971

U.S. Atomic Energy Commission Fellowship, 1972

Publicly commended to U.S. Senate by NRC Chairman, Ivan Selin, in May 1993

“It is true...everything Mr. Gundersen said was absolutely right; he performed quite a service.”

Teacher of the Year – 2000, Marvelwood School

Energy Advisor: Nuclear Consulting and Expert Witness Testimony

Peach Bottom Reactor Litigation

Evaluated extended 28-month outage caused by management breakdown and deteriorating condition of plant.

Commonwealth Edison

In depth review and analysis for Commonwealth Edison to analyze the efficiency and effectiveness of all Commonwealth Edison engineering organizations, which support the operation of all of its nuclear power plants.

Western Atlas Litigation

Evaluated neutron exposure to employees and license violations at this nuclear materials licensee.

Three Mile Island Litigation

Evaluated unmonitored releases to the environment after accident, including containment breach, letdown system and blowout. Proved releases were 15 times higher than government estimate and subsequent government report.

PennCentral Litigation

Evaluated NRC license violations and material false statements by management of this nuclear engineering and materials licensee.

Federal Congressional Testimony

Publicly recognized by NRC Chairman, Ivan Selin, in May 1993 in his comments to U.S. Senate, "It is true...everything Mr. Gundersen said was absolutely right; he performed quite a service." Commended by U.S. Senator John Glenn for public testimony to Senator Glenn's NRC Oversight Committee.

State of Connecticut

Assisted in the creation of State Whistleblower Protection legal statutes.

Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Inspector General (IG)

Assisted the NRC Inspector General in investigating illegal gratuities paid to NRC Officials by Nuclear Energy Services (NES) Corporate Officers. In a second investigation, assisted the Inspector General in showing that material false statements (lies) by NES corporate president caused the NRC to overlook important violations by this licensee.

International Nuclear Safety Testimony

Worked for ten days with the President of the Czech Republic (Vaclav Havel) and the Czech Parliament on their energy policy for the 21st century. Have continued to work with Czech Friends of the Earth on Czech Energy and Environmental Issues.

State of Vermont Public Service Board (April 2003 to May 2004)

Expert witness retained by New England Coalition to testify to the Public Service Board on the reliability, safety, technical, and financial ramifications of a proposed increase in power (called an uprate) to 120% at Entergy's 31-year-old Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Plant.

U.S. Senators Jeffords and Leahy (2003 to 2005)

Provided the Senators and their staffs with periodic overview regarding technical, reliability, compliance, and safety issues at Entergy Nuclear Vermont Yankee (ENVY).

10CFR 2.206 filed with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (July 2004)

Filed 10CFR 2.206 petition with NRC requesting confirmation of Vermont Yankee's compliance with all General Design Criteria.

State of Vermont Legislative Testimony to Senate Finance Committee (2006)

Testimony to the Senate Finance Committee regarding Vermont Yankee decommissioning costs, reliability issues, design life of the plant, and emergency planning issues.

Finestone v FPL (2003 to present)

Plaintiffs' Expert Witness for Federal Court Case with Attorney Nancy LaVista, from the firm Lytal, Reiter, Fountain, Clark, Williams, West Palm Beach, FL.

This case involves two plaintiffs in cancer cluster of 40-families alleging illegal radiation releases from nearby nuclear power plant caused children's cancers. Production request, discovery review, preparation of deposition questions and attendance at Defendant's experts for deposition, preparation of expert witness testimony, preparation for Daubert Hearings, ongoing technical oversight, source term reconstruction. Case is currently in Appeal in U.S. Circuit Court.

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Atomic Safety and Licensing Board (NRC-ASLB) Expert witness retained by New England Coalition to provide Atomic Safety and Licensing Board with an independent analysis of the integrity of the Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Plant condenser. (2006)

U.S. Senators Bernie Sanders and Congressman Peter Welch (2007)

Briefed Senator Sanders, Congressman Welch and their staff members regarding technical and engineering issues, reliability and aging management concerns, regulatory compliance, waste storage, and nuclear power reactor safety issues confronting the U.S. nuclear energy industry.

State of Vermont Environmental Court (Docket 89-4-06-vtec 2007)

Expert witness retained by New England Coalition to review Entergy and Vermont Yankee's analysis of alternative methods to reduce the heat discharged by Vermont Yankee into the Connecticut River. Provided Vermont's Environmental Court with analysis of alternative methods systematically applied throughout the nuclear industry to reduce the heat discharged by nuclear power plants into nearby bodies of water. This report included the review of condenser and cooling tower modifications.

Appeal to the Vermont Supreme Court (March 2006 to 2007)

Expert Witness Testimony in support of *New England Coalition's Appeal to the Vermont Supreme Court Concerning: Degraded Reliability at Entergy Nuclear Vermont Yankee as a Result of the Power Uprate*. New England Coalition represented by Attorney Ron Shems of Burlington, VT.

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Atomic Safety and Licensing Board (NRC-ASLB) MOX Limited Appearance Statement to Judges Michael C. Farrar (Chairman), Lawrence G. McDade, and Nicholas G. Trikouros for the "Petitioners": Nuclear Watch South, the Blue Ridge Environmental Defense League, and Nuclear Information & Resource Service in support of *Contention 2: Accidental Release of Radionuclides, requesting a hearing concerning faulty accident consequence assessments made for the MOX plutonium fuel factory proposed for the Savannah River Site.* (September 14, 2007)

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Atomic Safety and Licensing Board (NRC-ASLB) Expert Witness supporting Pilgrim Watch's Petition For Contention 1: *specific to issues regarding the integrity of Pilgrim Nuclear Power Station's underground pipes and the ability of Pilgrim's Aging Management Program to determine their integrity.* (January 26, 2008)

Vermont State Senate – 2008 Legislative Session

- Senate Finance – testimony regarding Entergy Nuclear Vermont Yankee Decommissioning Fund
- Senate Finance – testimony on the necessity for a Comprehensive Vertical Audit (CVA) of Entergy Nuclear Vermont Yankee
- Natural Resources Committee – testimony regarding the placement of high-level nuclear fuel on the banks of the Connecticut River in Vernon, VT

Vermont State House – 2008 Legislative Session

- House Committee on Natural Resources and Energy – Comprehensive Vertical Audit; Why NRC Recommends a Vertical Audit for Aging Plants Like Entergy Nuclear Vermont Yankee (ENVY)
- House Committee on Commerce – Decommissioning Testimony

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Atomic Safety and Licensing Board (NRC-ASLB) – Expert Witness supporting *Connecticut Coalition Against Millstone In Its Petition For Leave To Intervene, Request For Hearing, And Contentions Against Dominion Nuclear Connecticut Inc.’s Millstone Power Station Unit 3 License Amendment Request For Stretch Power Uprate* (March 15, 2008)

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Atomic Safety and Licensing Board (NRC-ASLB) – Expert Witness providing testimony regarding Pilgrim Watch’s Petition for Contention 1 – *Underground Pipes* (April 10, 2008)

Appointed by President Pro-Tem of Vermont Senate to Legislatively Authorized Nuclear Reliability Oversight Panel – to participate in and oversee Comprehensive Vertical Audit of Entergy Nuclear Vermont Yankee (Act 189) and testify to State Legislature during 2009 session regarding operational reliability of ENVY in relation to its 20-year license extension application. (July 2, 2008)

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Advisory Committee Reactor Safeguards (NRC-ACRS) – Expert Witness providing oral testimony regarding Millstone Point Unit 3 (MP3) Containment issues in hearings regarding Dominion Nuclear’s Application to Uprate Power at MP3, Washington, DC. (July 8-9, 2008)

Special Remediation Expertise:

Director of Engineering, Vice President of Site Engineering, and the Senior Vice President of Engineering at Nuclear Energy Services (NES).

- NES was a nuclear licensee that specialized in dismantlement and remediation of nuclear facilities and nuclear sites. Member of the radiation safety committee for this licensee.
- Department of Energy chose NES to write *DOE Decommissioning Handbook* because NES had a unique breadth and depth of nuclear engineers and nuclear physicists on staff.
- Personally wrote the “Small Bore Piping” chapter of the DOE’s first edition *Decommissioning Handbook*, personnel on my staff authored other sections, and I reviewed the entire *Decommissioning Handbook*.
- Served on the Connecticut Low Level Radioactive Waste Advisory Committee for 10 years from its inception
- Managed groups performing analyses on dozens of dismantlement sites to thoroughly remove radioactive material from nuclear plants and their surrounding environment.
- Managed groups assisting in decommissioning the Shippingport nuclear power reactor. Shippingport was the first large nuclear power plant ever decommissioned. The decommissioning of Shippingport included remediation of the site after decommissioning.
- Managed groups conducting site characterizations (preliminary radiation surveys prior to commencement of removal of radiation) at the radioactively contaminated West Valley site in upstate New York.

- Personnel reporting to me assessed dismantlement of the Princeton Avenue Plutonium Lab in New Brunswick, NJ. The lab's dismantlement assessment was stopped when we uncovered extremely toxic and carcinogenic underground radioactive contamination.
- Personnel reporting to me worked on decontaminating radioactive thorium at the Cleveland Avenue nuclear licensee in Ohio. The thorium had been used as an alloy in turbine blades. During that project, previously undetected extremely toxic and carcinogenic radioactive contamination was discovered below ground after an aboveground gamma survey had purported that no residual radiation remained on site.

Teaching and Academic Administration Experience

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI) – Advanced Nuclear Reactor Physics Lab

Community College of Vermont – Mathematics Professor – 2007 to present

Burlington High School

Mathematics Teacher – 2001 to June 2008

Physics Teacher – 2004 to 2006

The Marvelwood School – 1996 to 2000

Awarded Teacher of the Year – June 2000

Chairperson: Physics and Math Department

Mathematics and Physics Teacher, Faculty Council Member

Director of Marvelwood Residential Summer School

Director of Residential Life

The Forman School & St. Margaret's School – 1993 to 1995

Physics and Mathematics Teacher, Tennis Coach, Residential Living Faculty Member

Nuclear Engineering 1970 to Present

Vetted as expert witness in nuclear litigations, federal, international, and state hearings including but not limited to: Three Mile Island, US Federal Court, US NRC ASLB, Vermont State Public Service Board, Czech Senate, Connecticut State Legislature, Western Atlas Nuclear Litigation, U.S. Senate Nuclear Safety Hearings, Peach Bottom Nuclear Power Plant Litigation, and OIG NRC.

Nuclear Engineering, Safety, and Reliability Expert 1990 to Present

- Fairewinds Associates, Inc – Energy Advisor, 2005 to Present
- Arnold Gundersen, Nuclear Safety Consultant and Energy Advisor, 1995 to 2005
- GMA – 1990 to 1995

Nuclear Energy Services, Division of PCC (Fortune 500 company) 1979 to 1990

Corporate Officer and Senior Vice President - Technical Services

Responsible for overall performance of the company's Inservice Inspection (ASME XI), Quality Assurance (SNTC 1A), and Staff Augmentation Business Units – up to 300 employees at various nuclear sites.

Senior Vice President of Engineering

Responsible for the overall performance of the company's Site Engineering, Boston Design Engineering and Engineered Products Business Units. Integrated the Danbury based, Boston based and site engineering functions to provide products such as fuel racks, nozzle dams, and transfer mechanisms and services such as materials management and procedure development.

Vice President of Engineering Services

Responsible for the overall performance of the company's field engineering, operations engineering, and engineered products services. Integrated the Danbury-based and field-based engineering functions to provide numerous products and services required by nuclear utilities, including patents for engineered products.

General Manager of Field Engineering

Managed and directed NES' multi-disciplined field engineering staff on location at various nuclear plant sites. Site activities included structural analysis, procedure development, technical specifications and training. Have personally applied for and received one patent.

Director of General Engineering

Managed and directed the Danbury based engineering staff. Staff disciplines included structural, nuclear, mechanical and systems engineering. Responsible for assignment of personnel as well as scheduling, cost performance, and technical assessment by staff on assigned projects. This staff provided major engineering support to the company's nuclear waste management, spent fuel storage racks, and engineering consulting programs.

New York State Electric and Gas Corporation (NYSE&G) — 1976 to 1979

Reliability Engineering Supervisor

Organized and supervised reliability engineers to upgrade performance levels on seven operating coal units and one that was under construction. Applied analytical techniques and good engineering judgments to improve capacity factors by reducing mean time to repair and by increasing mean time between failures.

Lead Power Systems Engineer

Supervised the preparation of proposals, bid evaluation, negotiation and administration of contracts for two 1300 MW NSSS Units including nuclear fuel, and solid-state control rooms. Represented corporation at numerous public forums including TV and radio on sensitive utility issues. Responsible for all nuclear and BOP portions of a PSAR, Environmental Report, and Early Site Review.

Northeast Utilities Service Corporation (NU) — 1972 to 1976

Engineer

Nuclear Engineer assigned to Millstone Unit 2 during start-up phase. Lead the high velocity flush and chemical cleaning of condensate and feedwater systems and obtained discharge permit for chemicals. Developed Quality Assurance Category 1 Material, Equipment and Parts List. Modified fuel pool cooling system at Connecticut Yankee, steam generator blowdown system and diesel generator lube oil system for Millstone. Evaluated Technical Specification Change Requests.

Associate Engineer

Nuclear Engineer assigned to Montague Units 1 & 2. Interface Engineer with NSSS vendor, performed containment leak rate analysis, assisted in preparation of PSAR and performed radiological health analysis of plant. Performed environmental radiation survey of Connecticut Yankee. Performed chloride intrusion transient analysis for Millstone Unit 1 feedwater system. Prepared Millstone Unit 1 off-gas modification licensing document and Environmental Report Amendments 1 & 2.

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI) — 1971 to 1972

Critical Facility Reactor Operator, Instructor

Licensed AEC Reactor Operator instructing students and utility reactor operator trainees in start-up through full power operation of a reactor.

Public Service Electric and Gas (PSE&G) — 1970

Assistant Engineer

Performed shielding design of radwaste and auxiliary buildings for Newbold Island Units 1 & 2, including development of computer codes.

Public Service, Cultural, and Community Activities

2007-2008 – Created Concept of Solar Panels on Burlington High School; worked with

Burlington Electric Department and Burlington Board of Education Technology Committee on Grant for installation of solar collectors for Burlington Electric peak summer use

Ongoing Public Testimony to Committees of the Vermont State Legislature

Testimony to State Auditor

Certified Foster Parent State of Vermont – 2004 to 2007

Mentoring former students – 2000 to present – college and employment application questions

Tutoring Refugee Students – 2002 to 2006 – Lost Boys of the Sudan and others

Designed and Taught Special High School Math Course for ESOL Students – 2007 to 2008

Featured Nuclear Safety Expert for Television, Newspaper, Radio, & Internet

Including, and not limited to: CNN (Earth Matters), NECN, WPTZ VT, WTNH, Cable Channel 17, The Crusaders, Front Page, Mark Johnson Show, Steve West Show, Anthony Polina Show, WKVT, WDEV, WVPR, WZBG CT, Seven Days, AP News Service, Houston Chronicle, Christian Science Monitor, New York Times, Brattleboro Reformer, Rutland Herald, Times-Argus, Burlington Free Press, Litchfield County Times, The News Times, The New Milford Times, Hartford Current, New London Day, evacuationplans.org, Vermont Daily Briefing, Green Mountain Daily, and numerous other national and international blogs

Founding Advisory Board Member NNSN – National Nuclear Safety Network

Co-Founder Berkshire School Parents Association

Co-Chair Berkshire School Annual Appeal

Christ Episcopal Church, Roxbury, CT – Sunday School Teacher

Washington Montessori School Parents Association

Episcopal Marriage Encounter with wife Margaret: National Presenting Team

Provided weekend communication and dialogue workshops weekend retreats/seminars

Connecticut Episcopal Marriage Encounter Administrative Team – 5 years

Northeast Utilities Representative Conducting Public Lectures on Nuclear Safety Issues

Personal and Family Data

Born: January 4, 1949, Elizabeth, NJ

Wife: Margaret Gundersen, paralegal specializing in nuclear safety & environmental litigation

Children:

Eric Gundersen, 29 - web designer and founder developmentseed.org, Washington, DC

Elida Gundersen, 26, paramedic, Charleston County EMS, Charleston, SC

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