

## **Tom Joyce**

Good evening. I am Tom Joyce, president and chief nuclear officer for PSEG Nuclear. I am responsible for our Salem and Hope Creek Generating Stations.

On behalf of PSEG, we look forward to working with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the public on our application for an early site permit as we explore the possibility of building a new nuclear plant here in Salem County.

At PSEG, we understand our obligation to the local community, the environment and our friends, families and coworkers to provide safe, reliable, economic and green energy.

We operate our plants within a culture of safety and transparency.

We encourage our employees to raise issues and to be open on how we can do things better. There are always lessons to be learned.

Our success is made possible by our 1500 employees.

There are no surprises. Not in our operations and certainly not with our stakeholders. As I say to our employees – there is no new nuclear, without good old nuclear.

I have over 30 years of experience in the commercial nuclear power industry. I have spent the past five years at PSEG.

Personally, I have never worked with a better group of people or in a better community than Salem County.

Whoever said it can't be done has never been to Salem County.

This community is about partnerships.

Over our 30 years of operation, we have been a partner with this community.

We take great pride in being a good neighbor. We are proactive and engage the community when a challenge arises so they

understand the challenge and have their questions answered.

Again, there are no surprises.

Looking around this room, I see many elected officials and community leaders. We recognize the impact a new plant would have on Salem County and its communities.

We have met with the county freeholder board and the local municipalities next door to us. We will continue to work with elected officials and the community through the NRC's regulatory process.

We recognize that this early site permit and a possible new plant will not be possible without their support.

Thank you.