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Sent:

Friday, January 14, 2011 3:11 PM

To:

Scott, Michael

Subject:

Fw: Tasks competing with SOARCA -- seek your guidance

Mike.

As you and Richard lay out the schedule, can you advise me about whether time can be made available for Charlie to support these tasks? The Blue Ribbon brief is only one day but Charlie will need a few days of prep time. I'm fairly certain he's the only person we are comfortable sending to this. The other item we can check with NSIR and determine their timing needs and based on that determine if we need to find someone else to do it or work it into the SOARCA schedule. Thanks!

From: Ghosh, Tina

To: Gibson, Kathy; Scott, Michael

Cc: Chang, Richard; Tinkler, Charles; Schaperow, Jason; Santiago, Patricia; Uhle, Jennifer

Sent: Fri Jan 14 12:24:23 2011

Subject: Tasks competing with SOARCA -- seek your guidance

Dear Kathy,

I am writing to alert you to a potential resource conflict coming up (namely Charlie's time) and seek your guidance.

As you know, we are in a critical analysis period for SOARCA.

We are expecting several products from Sandia today and in the next couple of weeks that need to be reviewed by Charlie, who is already actively working on the SOARCA main report.

In addition, since we planned to gain efficiencies by pulling some of the writing in-house, that too will require a lot of Charlie and Jason's time in the weeks to come.

During this critical time, we are aware of the following two tasks that may pull Charlie away up to 2 weeks (per conversation between Richard and Charlie) between now and early February:

- DOE's Blue Ribbon Commission on America's Nuclear Future briefing on 2/3/11 (please see e-mails below for further information on this)
- Review of NSIR work on EP critical scenarios (which RES promised to do, and needed before 2/11/11 per Randy Sullivan).

My question to you is, are there other staff who could help out on these competing tasks, during this critical time for the SOARCA analysis? Please advise.

Thank you very much,

Tina

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From: Tinkler, Charles **To**: Santiago, Patricia

Sent: Wed Jan 12 08:57:09 2011

Subject: FW: Briefing of Blue Ribbon Commission

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From: Tinkler, Charles

Sent: Wednesday, January 12, 2011 8:49 AM **To:** Uhle, Jennifer; Gibson, Kathy; Scott, Michael **Subject:** RE: Briefing of Blue Ribbon Commission

Sure, I would be available for this if you think it appropriate. I was very closely involved in the NAS review (and briefed them a number of times during their review), although it has been a few years since I closely looked at their report.

I assume the BRC will want to know what we did in response to the NAS recommendations, etc and how we feel about some of their conclusions. Therefore, I should spend some time re-reviewing the NAS report

I was planning to use that time (Feb 3,4) to review the NSIR work on EP critical scenarios (which RES promised them we would do) I will talk to Randy Sullivan, to see if he has flexibility...

From: Uhle, Jennifer

Sent: Tuesday, January 11, 2011 4:11 PM

To: Gibson, Kathy; Scott, Michael; Tinkler, Charles **Subject:** Briefing of Blue Ribbon Commission

Charlie,

The DOE's Blue Ribbon Commission on America's Nuclear Future plans to request a classified briefing on 2/3/11 from NRC on several security issues, which arise primarily from the 2004 NAS study on security of commercial spent fuel. One of the topics they appear to be interested in is work done since 2004 on the analysis of fuel pool fire scenarios.

OCA is meeting with BRC staff on Tuesday 1/11 at White Flint to discuss the details of their information needs, and help them develop a focused agenda. Based on the preliminary agenda, OCA anticipates that NRC would need to speak for 5 minutes or so on recent work for pool fires, and develop 1-2 slides on this subject. Currently, OCA believes we can hold these discussions at a Secret/NSI level. The driving need, however, will be to have one or several knowledgeable staff on hand during the 2/3/11 meeting downtown to answer any questions the BRC may have on this subject.

RES needs to support this request and in my opinion you are the best choice. I hope 2/3 is an acceptable date for you. We should be hearing more from OCA shortly. Can you do this?

Jennifer