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Subject: Fukushima-related Comments for 8-13-2012

Good morning,

I am about halfway through listening to the 3 hr and 14 min recorded Fukushima Briefing of 8-7-2012. I am very impressed with the constructive comments I have heard so far. However, at approximately 1:03:31 and 1:08:15 I heard "coping time" mentioned. I did not, (and have not, ever), seen a definition of "coping time."

Does anybody actually know its definition, or is everybody expected to inherently know it?

Here is what it appears to be: a certain amount of time during which the station batteries, or some of them, do not go below a certain voltage WITHOUT SPECIFYING WHAT PLANT EFFECTS ARE TO BE ACHIEVED (by use of the batteries).

17 Month Status Report

Well, I have to mention that we got a new computer last week and I, right away, wrote up a 17 month status report. And, I will send it out as soon as I can get the e-mail Send feature to work. Here is briefly what I wrote.

There has been No spent fuel removed from the Units 1 – 4 elevated spent fuel pools.
There has been No new fuel removed from the Unit 1 – 3 elevated spent fuel pools.
There have only been 2 new fuel bundles removed from the Unit 4 elevated spent fuel pool.

The present location of the core material initially inside the Units 1 – 3 reactor vessels has not been identified.

No primary containment leaks for Units 1 – 3 have been reported as repaired.

No primary containment leaks for Units 1 – 3 have been reported as located/identified.

Units 1 – 3 have not been flooded up.

Water apparently continues to enter the site building basements, adding to the amount to be treated.

Proposed deep well (site) pumps have not been reported to have been put into service.

Injection methods (to seal leaking basements) have not been reported to have been used on the basements.

Here at home, No Regional FLEX Center has been put into operation.

The location of No Regional FLEX Center has even been announced.

At 17 months, do you feel that adequate progress has been made?

Thank you,

Thomas Gurdziel