



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
REGION II
245 PEACHTREE CENTER AVENUE NE, SUITE 1200
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303-1257

May 23, 2013

Mr. Mano Nazar
Executive Vice President
Nuclear and Chief Nuclear Officer
Florida Power and Light Company
P.O. Box 14000
Juno Beach, FL 33408-0420

SUBJECT: ST. LUCIE NUCLEAR PLANT – INVESTIGATIVE SYNOPSIS, OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS CASE NUMBER 2-2012-020

Dear Mr. Nazar:

Enclosed for your information is the synopsis of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Office of Investigations (OI) completed report regarding the falsification of training documents and maintenance records by a subcontractor to Florida Power & Light (FP&L).

OI determined that there was insufficient evidence to substantiate the allegation that AMES Group intentionally submitted falsified training and qualification documents for any AMES employee for consideration by FP&L. Furthermore, the investigation determined that the allegation that AMES Group willfully submitted falsified maintenance and testing documents during the fall 2011 outage at St. Lucie could not be substantiated. We plan no further action with regard to this matter. Should you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact us.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the Publicly Available Records (PARS) component of NRC's document system (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/ADAMS/index.html> (the Public Electronic Reading Room).

Sincerely,

/Shane Sandal RA for/

Daniel W. Rich, Chief
Reactor Projects Branch 3
Division of Reactor Projects

Enclosure: Investigative Synopsis, OI Case No. 2-2012-020

Mr. Mano Nazar
Executive Vice President
Nuclear and Chief Nuclear Officer
Florida Power and Light Company
P.O. Box 14000
Juno Beach, FL 33408-0420

SUBJECT: ST. LUCIE NUCLEAR PLANT – INVESTIGATIVE SYNOPSIS, OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS CASE NUMBER 2-2012-020

Dear Mr. Nazar:

Enclosed for your information is the synopsis of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Office of Investigations (OI) completed report regarding the falsification of training and maintenance records by a subcontractor to Florida Power & Light (FP&L).

OI determined that there was insufficient evidence to substantiate the allegation that AMES Group intentionally submitted falsified training and qualification documents for any AMES employee for consideration by FP&L. Further, the investigation determined that the allegation that AMES Group willfully submitted falsified maintenance and testing documents during the fall 2011 outage at St. Lucie could not be substantiated. We plan no further action with regard to this matter. Should you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact us.

In accordance with 10 CFR 2.390 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," a copy of this letter and its enclosure will be available electronically for public inspection in the NRC Public Document Room or from the Publicly Available Records (PARS) component of NRC's document system (ADAMS). ADAMS is accessible from the NRC Web site at <http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/ADAMS/index.html> (the Public Electronic Reading Room).

Sincerely,

/Shane Sandal RA for/

Daniel W. Rich, Chief
Reactor Projects Branch 3
Division of Reactor Projects

Enclosure: Investigative Synopsis, OI Case No. 2-2012-020

Non-Publicly Available - Sensitive				
OFFICE	RII:DRP	RII:DRP	RII:EICS	
SIGNATURE	MJR:/RA/	DWR:/RA/	CFE:/RA/	
NAME	MRiches	DRich	CEvans	
DATE	5/13/2013	5/14/2013	5/23/2013	

OFFICIAL RECORD COPY

SYNOPSIS

This investigation was initiated by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), Office of Investigations (OI), Region II (RII), on April 18, 2012, to determine whether, during a 2011 outage at St. Lucie Nuclear Plant, AMES Group, LLC (AMES) management willfully submitted as accurate certain training and qualification documents namely Task Performance Evaluations (TPE) forms that they knew were false. Also at issue is whether AMES supervisors willfully submitted false maintenance and testing document after conducting “paper parties” that ensured documents contained in the close-out packages reflected the work had been completed.

Based on the evidence developed during this investigation, the allegation that AMES management willfully submitted as accurate certain training and qualification documents, namely Task Performance Evaluations (TPE) that they knew were false during an outage at Florida Power & Light’s (FP&L) St. Lucie Nuclear Plant (St. Lucie) was not substantiated.

Additionally, the allegation that AMES supervisors willfully submitted false maintenance and testing documents during the fall 2011 outage at St. Lucie was not substantiated.

Approved for release by:

Oscar DeMiranda OXD /RA/

May 23, 2013

~~NOT FOR PUBLIC DISCLOSURE WITHOUT APPROVAL OF
FIELD OFFICE DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS, REGION II~~

~~Official Use Only — OI Investigation Information~~