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FEMALE PARTICIPANT: (Inaudible, possibly 786784).

NADER: 32, what?

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: It's 2342

NADER MAMISH: : Didn't you tell you tell him I told you to do --

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yes, he said I, can I speak with Nader, please.

STEPHEN DEMBEK: Hello, this is Steve Dembek. Can I help you?

NADER MAMISH: Dembek, why are you bothering me?

STEPHEN DEMBEK: Hey, Nader.

NADER MAMISH: (Laughter) You're killing me. Just do it. No, seriously,

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

STEPHEN DEMBEK: I, I know, but I --

NADER MAMISH:

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

STEPHEN DEMBEK:

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

NADER MAMISH: No. Listen, that's a direction from the Chairman's Office. I work for the

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1 Chairman's Office. (b)(5)

2 (b)(5) And if

3 they want updates they need to come through the Ops
4 Center, because I'm being asked questions. You know,
5 did you listen to the briefing?

6 STEPHEN DEMBEK: Yes, I listened to it --

7 NADER MAMISH: They're --

8 STEPHEN DEMBEK: I missed the first few
9 minutes but, yes.

10 NADER MAMISH: They're arguing about
11 something I confirmed with the Japanese, which unit
12 had the issue. (b)(5)

13 (b)(5)

14 (b)(5) Okay?

15 STEPHEN DEMBEK: All right. I'll ask
16 (indiscernible, possibly "OI") --

17 NADER MAMISH: (b)(5)

18 (b)(5)
19
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21 STEPHEN DEMBEK: Okay. All right.

22 NADER MAMISH: Okay, I got that direction
23 and I, I know how to salute. So --

24 STEPHEN DEMBEK: Okay.

25 NADER MAMISH: (b)(5)

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STEPHEN DEMBEK: All right.

NADER MAMISH: Okay? Thanks.

STEPHEN DEMBEK: All right.

NADER MAMISH: Bye.

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3 JEFF TEMPLE: 7800.

4 LIEUTENANT COMMANDER FIJADA: Secretary
5 of Operations Center, Lieutenant Commander Fijada
6 (phonetic). How may I help you?

7 JEFF TEMPLE: Hi, Jeff Temple from the
8 U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission calling. You folks
9 are putting together a 3 o'clock conference call with
10 the ESF #8 folks?

11 LIEUTENANT COMMANDER FIJADA: Yes, sir.
12 Would you like to, would you like the number?

13 JEFF TEMPLE: Yes, please.

14 LIEUTENANT COMMANDER FIJADA: Okay, stand
15 by for the number.

16 JEFF TEMPLE: Thank you.

17 LIEUTENANT COMMANDER FIJADA: Okay, the
18 number this afternoon is 377 --

19 JEFF TEMPLE: Yes.

20 LIEUTENANT COMMANDER FIJADA: -- 700 --

21 JEFF TEMPLE: Yes.

22 LIEUTENANT COMMANDER FIJADA: -- 1237.

23 JEFF TEMPLE: Mm-hmm.

24 LIEUTENANT COMMANDER FIJADA: And that
25 would be, the code is (b)(6) -

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JEFF TEMPLE: Mm-hmm.

LIEUTENANT COMMANDER FIJADA:

(b)(6)

JEFF TEMPLE: Yes.

LIEUTENANT COMMANDER FIJADA:

(b)(6)

JEFF TEMPLE: Mm-hmm.

LIEUTENANT COMMANDER FIJADA: And that will occur in about seven minutes, sir.

JEFF TEMPLE: Okay, 877-700-1237, pass code (b)(6)

LIEUTENANT COMMANDER FIJADA: Roger.

JEFF TEMPLE: Great. Thank you very much.

LIEUTENANT COMMANDER FIJADA: You're welcome.

JEFF TEMPLE: Bye-bye.

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FREDERICK HASSELBERG: Reactor Safety Team, Hasselberg.

(b)(6): My name is (b)(6). I'm calling because (b)(6)

(b)(6)

FREDERICK HASSELBERG: Mm-hmm.

(b)(6): (b)(6)

(b)(6)

And I was just talking with him about the Fukushima Plant disaster and the trouble it's having now.

FREDERICK HASSELBERG: Okay.

(b)(6): And he had a few ideas on what they could do to salvage it and --

FREDERICK HASSELBERG: Okay, hang on. I'm going to get, I want to get his number and I'll have my people call him, if that's okay.

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1 (b)(6) : That's, he doesn't, (b)(6)
2 (b)(6)

3 FREDERICK HASSELBERG: Okay.

4 (b)(6) : I only --

5 FREDERICK HASSELBERG: Okay, I'm not, I'm
6 not qualified to pass on this information. But, if
7 he's willing to talk with them, we've got some people
8 here who have done some good work as well including
9 several qualified instructors and BWR Operators as
10 well.

11 (b)(5)

12 (b)(6) : (b)(6)

13 (b)(6)

14 FREDERICK HASSELBERG: Okay, well could
15 we call him? Because we --

16 (b)(6) : Let me go ask him.

17 FREDERICK HASSELBERG: All right, sir.
18 I'm going to grab a pencil while you do that. I'll be
19 right back.

20 (b)(6) : All right, thank you.

21 FREDERICK HASSELBERG: Hello? Hello.
22 Hello? Hello.

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3 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Hello?

4 (b)(6): Yes, is this Public
5 Affairs?

6 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yes, it is.

7 (b)(6) (Phonetic): Okay, my name
8 is (b)(6) (Phonetic). I'm a student at
9 (indiscernible, possibly (b)(6))

10 And I was watching the news about the reactor problem
11 in Japan.

12 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yes.

13 (b)(6): Okay, and it's explained
14 on the news where they can't get electricity to run
15 the pump to cool the reactor.

16 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yes.

17 (b)(6): So the facility is right
18 on the coast and they actually have a manmade
19 peninsula for ships so then naval ships can pull up to
20 that dock and run power lines --

21 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Are you trying to
22 provide us with an idea of how they should be solving
23 their problem?

24 (b)(6): Yes, ma'am.

25 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay, well, the

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1 Japanese government has not asked the Nuclear
2 Regulatory Commission for advice, guidance or support
3 at this time. And if they do, it has to go through
4 the White House and the State Department.

5 So the best experts at the NRC are
6 waiting to be asked to provide our input. And that
7 has not occurred yet.

8 (b)(6): That has not occurred?

9 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: No, we're ready to
10 provide the information.

11 (b)(6): Okay.

12 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: We're standing ready
13 to provide the information and that's on our Web site,
14 and that's what we're doing.

15 Until, I'm afraid that I am going to have
16 to run. But we thank you for your interest in
17 helping. And we share it.

18 (b)(6): Okay.

19 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Alrighty?

20 (b)(6): Thank you for your time.

21 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: You're welcome.

22 Bye-bye.

23 (b)(6): Bye.

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FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Oh, come on, Sean
(phonetic). You tell me to call and you don't answer
your phone?

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FEMALE PARTICIPANT:

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JOSH BATKIN: Josh.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT:

(b)(6)

JOSH BATKIN: Hello. How are you?

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: I'm tired.

JOSH BATKIN:

(b)(6)

(b)(6)

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yes, you are.

JOSH BATKIN:

(b)(6)

(b)(6)

FEMALE PARTICIPANT:

(b)(6)

JOSH BATKIN:

(b)(6)

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: No, that's not good timing.

JOSH BATKIN: No. No kind of timing at all. Can I ask you a couple of favors?

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Sure.

JOSH BATKIN: Do you know if you are going to get another update out soon, along the lines of the discussions they had?

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FEMALE PARTICIPANT: We, NRC?

JOSH BATKIN: Yes.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: We have nothing to say.

JOSH BATKIN: (b)(5)

(b)(5)

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: I don't think we have anything to say because we don't know anything, because no one is talking to us.

JOSH BATKIN: (b)(5)

(b)(5)

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Right.

JOSH BATKIN: -- (b)(5)

(b)(5) So, I think he was, that product is one of the few things that, like, actually is an analysis of the nuclear plant situation there.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yes, and I know absolutely nothing about it.

1 JOSH BATKIN: Okay. All right.

2 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: We don't have
3 anything to do with producing it.

4 JOSH BATKIN: Is, Lisa Gibney or is Sarah
5 or Sam or somebody still there?

6 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yes, Sarah just
7 left. Hang on a second. Who does the status update?
8 Who writes the status update?

9 MALE PARTICIPANT: We have a Status
10 Officer that's doing that on the, and also the liaison
11 team is doing that as well.

12 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay, who's heading
13 the liaison team overnight?

14 MALE PARTICIPANT: Tom --

15 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Tom Blount?

16 MALE PARTICIPANT: -- Blount. Yes.

17 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay. Tom Blount is
18 the liaison team head, and it's his people, of various
19 sorts, who put that together. So if you just call the
20 HOO and ask for Tom Blount --

21 JOSH BATKIN: Got it.

22 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: -- he'll help you.

23 JOSH BATKIN: Thank you. And then, are
24 you doing the Qs and As?

25 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Q&As are done for

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1 now --

2 JOSH BATKIN: Okay.

3 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: -- approved by your
4 boss. And everybody around the table and myself are
5 happy with them.

6 JOSH BATKIN: Okay.

7 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Do you want a copy?

8 JOSH BATKIN: Yes, please.

9 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: I may send them to
10 you right now.

11 JOSH BATKIN: And, you know, anything
12 that you think of to update that with, just the
13 factual detailed information, is good. (b)(5)

14 (b)(5)

15 (b)(5)

16 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yes. I mean, let me
17 just tell you what our issue is. Our issue is that,
18 you know, (b)(5)

19 (b)(5)

20 (b)(5) And that's fine. I mean,
21 they're consistent with what we've already been
22 saying.

23 (b)(5) and our

24 Q&As are much more detailed (b)(5)

25 --

1 JOSH BATKIN: Fine.

2 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: You know, but I'm
3 just telling you that that's the issue that we're,
4 we've got in front of us.

5 JOSH BATKIN: Don't, yes, he understands
6 that. Don't let the (b)(5)
7 deter you from getting staff to flesh those Qs and As
8 out with facts and details and all that
9 (indiscernible, possibly "sort of a topic").

10 (Crosstalk)

11 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: No, we're happy with
12 the Q&As.

13 JOSH BATKIN: Okay.

14 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: We're quite happy
15 with the Q&As. (b)(5)

16 (b)(5)

17 JOSH BATKIN: Okay.

18 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: I mean, I think
19 that, you know, we don't want to get too far out in
20 front of this. (b)(5)

21 (b)(5)

24 (b)(5)

25 JOSH BATKIN: Right.

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1 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: You know, no. We
2 don't want to do any of that. So what we kept the
3 Q&As strictly on is our lane. And our lane is could
4 this happen here, you know, how might this earthquake
5 change the way the NRC's regulations are.

6 You know, those are legitimate questions.

7 JOSH BATKIN: Yes.

8 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: And those are
9 legitimate NRC questions. So that's what the Q&A
10 focus is on. So we're happy with them for now.
11 They're likely to change over time, frankly, as we get
12 more information, and as we get other different kinds
13 of questions.

14 JOSH BATKIN: Okay.

15 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: But, no, I'm quite
16 comfortable with them for now.

17 JOSH BATKIN: Okay. Okay, if there's
18 any, I'm looking at them right now. If there are some
19 products, like the next layer down, that were used to
20 prepare these, that staff used or that people have,
21 maybe compiling those and getting them to him in the
22 morning would be good too.

23 Does that make sense? Like, the
24 technical reports or details or facts that were used
25 to pull from to get this stuff on paper. I mean --

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1 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: I'll ask Scott to
2 see, he's going to be here overnight.

3 JOSH BATKIN: Okay.

4 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: And I'm, I mean, I
5 know some of the stuff that I used was from existing
6 fact sheets, for example. I think that there's a new
7 reg having to do with tsunamis or a report having to
8 do with tsunamis --

9 JOSH BATKIN: Yes, exactly.

10 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: -- that kind of
11 stuff.

12 JOSH BATKIN: I mean, if the staff, and
13 if you want me to ask Dorman or something I will, but
14 --

15 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: No, no, I think, no,
16 Scott can pull it together.

17 JOSH BATKIN: Okay. Like a pile of that
18 kind of stuff for him to sit in his office in the
19 morning and read it (b)(5)

20 (b)(5)

21 (b)(5)

22 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: No problem.

23 JOSH BATKIN: (b)(5)

24 (b)(5)
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1 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: No problem. And,
2 just so that you know, Eliot'll be in in the morning.

3 JOSH BATKIN: Okay.

4 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: And I think that's
5 going to be a good time to have the conversation, you
6 know, how far out do we get, because, hopefully, by
7 then we'll have a better idea of what's going on.

8 JOSH BATKIN: Yes.

9 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: You know, I mean,
10 that's really what this is all hinging on, is it's,
11 it's what's, where is this going --

12 JOSH BATKIN: Yes.

13 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: -- essentially.

14 JOSH BATKIN: Yes, yes.

15 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Alrighty. Well,
16 Scott's going to be here overnight. I'll ask him to
17 work on that. We really aren't getting any media
18 calls at this point.

19 JOSH BATKIN: Okay.

20 FEMALE PARTICIPATION: So, you know,
21 we're sort of okay in that regard. We got 2000 visits
22 to our blog post today.

23 JOSH BATKIN: Great.

24 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: I was very excited
25 about that. So we'll do some, we'll do more of that

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1 tomorrow.

2 JOSH BATKIN: Okay.

3 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: But we just don't
4 have anything to say, you know, right now so there's
5 no reason to update it. And I'll be in in the
6 afternoon.

7 JOSH BATKIN: Cool. Sounds good. Thank
8 you.

9 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: All right. (b)(6)

10 (b)(6)

11 JOSH BATKIN: Yes, I mean, I'm, what kind
12 of staffing do you want from your office? Oh, not too
13 much, just you. (b)(6)

14 (b)(6)

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17 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: I know.

18 JOSH BATKIN: So, yes, I'll be in but I
19 don't know when. (b)(6)

20 (b)(6)

21 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Alrighty. All
22 right, I'm not sure whether Scott's going to be here
23 or his office, but let me give you his cellphone
24 number. So if you have any questions, overnight, for
25 any reason --

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JOSH BATKIN: Okay.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: (b)(6)

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JOSH BATKIN: Mm-hmm.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: -- really, really
sucks. (b)(6) no, what is this?

JOSH BATKIN: (b)(6)

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: (b)(6)

JOSH BATKIN: Got it.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yes, so that's your
number for the night.

JOSH BATKIN: Got it.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay?

JOSH BATKIN: Thank you.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Alrighty.

JOSH BATKIN: Be safe getting home.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: I will. Talk to you
later.

JOSH BATKIN: Bye.

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3 MR. BRENNER: Eliot Brenner.

4 ROSETTA: Eliot, it's Rosetta, over here
5 in State Liaison. How are you over there in Public
6 Affairs?

7 MR. BRENNER: Pretty good. Wave your
8 hand. Let me see if I can see you.

9 ROSETTA: You won't see me. I'm behind
10 a wall. You're not going to see me over here. Hey,
11 listen, I just got off a conference call with our
12 Regional State Liaison Officers. And, you may have
13 heard during our -- after the, the last call that
14 Bill Borchardt did, there was a discussion about
15 trying to get some, some talking points, you know,
16 some Q&As together and, you know, responses for the
17 states, and so I was working with the RSLOs to try
18 to come up with a few questions.

19 And, you know, we were certainly wanting
20 to work it through the organization, you know,
21 through Public Affairs as well, to get them up to
22 the Chairman, but I just wanted to let you know
23 we're, you know, we'll be having those coming
24 through, and I guess we should be working with the -
25 - I guess, I'm not sure which team to be working on.

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1 Probably --

2 MR. BRENNER: Well, work with -- in
3 terms of what the public utterances are, work with
4 Holly --

5 ROSETTA: Yes.

6 MR. BRENNER: -- because she's going to
7 be here till, I think midnight.

8 ROSETTA: Oh, gosh, okay. And, is there
9 -- what I thought I could do is even, you know,
10 develop, I've got them, you know, I could do it like
11 via email or whatever. I mean I would come over and
12 get together with her --

13 MR. BRENNER: Sure.

14 ROSETTA: -- as well to do that, --

15 MR. BRENNER: Absolutely.

16 ROSETTA: -- but I don't know what her
17 email address would be here within the, within --

18 MR. BRENNER: It's the same. We're
19 logged in on our regular emails.

20 ROSETTA: On -- oh, on your regular
21 emails?

22 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

23 ROSETTA: Like Holly --

24 MR. BRENNER: .Harrington.

25 ROSETTA: -- Harrington.

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1 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

2 ROSETTA: Oh, okay. Okay. Good enough.

3 MR. BRENNER: See how easy that is?

4 ROSETTA: Well, that is, that is because
5 I was just going to -- figured I had to send it to a
6 liaison or an OPA number thing, okay. Oh, good.
7 All right. That's, that's --

8 MR. BRENNER: You're so easy to deal
9 with.

10 ROSETTA: I love that. You must have
11 worked that out. That makes good sense.

12 MR. BRENNER: You know, we may be the
13 only people who are --

14 ROSETTA: You are.

15 MR. BRENNER: -- set up that way.

16 ROSETTA: I think you are, yes, which --
17 but that's great.

18 MR. BRENNER: We are special.

19 ROSETTA: Yes. Well, good for you. I
20 can appreciate that. That makes so much sense to
21 me.

22 MR. BRENNER: I don't see why all, we
23 all aren't.

24 ROSETTA: I know. It would make good
25 sense. Okay. Well, good enough. I'll, I'll get,

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1 try to get them cleaned up and make some sense and -
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3 MR. BRENNER: Good enough.

4 ROSETTA: -- share them off with --

5 MR. BRENNER: What I would encourage you
6 to do is to go pull from those early press releases
7 that we put out, the language about --

8 ROSETTA: Yes.

9 MR. BRENNER: -- reactors are robust
10 devices and they don't break easily and --

11 ROSETTA: Oh, yes. And, those weren't
12 even the areas that they were asking about. They
13 were really asking more about, you know, basic ones,
14 like what are, what is the radiological consequence
15 of the event in Japan for the United States?

16 MR. BRENNER: Don't mean diddly.

17 ROSETTA: Huh?

18 MR. BRENNER: It don't mean diddly.

19 ROSETTA: It don't mean diddly.

20 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

21 ROSETTA: Yes, yes. Well, there you go,
22 but a little more, a little more government-y.

23 MR. BRENNER: Hang on a second. I
24 actually have an answer that I can, I can get to
25 you, if I open my email.

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1 ROSETTA: I'm actually trying to put
2 this on my -- are you on headset? Can you hear me
3 now?

4 MR. BRENNER: Can you hear me now?

5 ROSETTA: Can I -- yes. Good. Because
6 I just switched over to headset.

7 MR. BRENNER: All right. Hang on just a
8 second. (b)(5)

9 ROSETTA: Oh, God, those would be good
10 to have.

11 MR. BRENNER: That -- on that issue,
12 which is being used on a background basis. Now, let
13 me find it.

14 (Pause.)

15 MR. BRENNER: I have so many --

16 ROSETTA: You probably have --

17 MR. BRENNER: -- emails today. Wait a
18 minute. I sent that to Spiros (phonetic) or
19 somebody. Let me see here.

20 (Pause.)

21 MR. BRENNER: Okay. Yes, I sent these
22 to Kirk. I'll forward them to you as well.

23 ROSETTA: Oh, great.

24 MR. BRENNER: And, it's Rosetta, two Ts?

25 ROSETTA: Well, actually, no. Mine is

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1 L-I-A-O-4.

2 MR. BRENNER: Those things still work?

3 ROSETTA: I have gotten some -- well,
4 it's L-I-A-O-4 . H-O-C.

5 MR. BRENNER: Oh, oh, oh, okay.

6 ROSETTA: It's --

7 MR. BRENNER: L-I --

8 ROSETTA: A-0-4, not O-4, but 0-4.

9 MR. BRENNER: Right.

10 ROSETTA: . H-O-C, I guess that's
11 Headquarters Operation Center, @ N-R-C dot gov.

12 MR. BRENNER: Jesus. Hang on just a
13 second.

14 ROSETTA: Yes. L-I-A-O-4.

15 MR. BRENNER: All right. Look for a
16 message that says, "Japanese Nuclear Issues."

17 ROSETTA: Whew, there it goes. Yes.
18 What is it Department -- it's saying on -- when they
19 say --

20 MR. BRENNER: No, I'm talking to
21 Rosetta.

22 ROSETTA: Oh. And, when they say, "On
23 background," what does that mean?

24 MR. BRENNER: Not for attribution by
25 name. A senior government official says--

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1 ROSETTA: Oh, okay, okay. I see what
2 you're saying. And, this says, "Senior officials
3 and technical experts continue to be." All I'm
4 seeing at this point is -- (b)(5)

5 (b)(5)
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8 So, I could use that first -- I could just use that
9 statement.

10 MR. BRENNER: Yes, but these people have
11 to -- oh, (b)(6). Who the hell is calling me?

12 ROSETTA: Oh, go ahead.

13 MR. BRENNER: (b)(6)

14 (b)(6)

15 (b)(5)
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17 ROSETTA: Okay.

18 MR. BRENNER: (b)(5)
19 (b)(5)

20 ROSETTA: Oh, okay, okay. And, this is
21 what I'm -- you know, they're looking for -- we're
22 looking to get some okay from the Chairman on what
23 it is we give them because --

24 MR. BRENNER: Right. (b)(5)

25 (b)(5)

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1 for us to use it?

2 ROSETTA: Okay.

3 MR. BRENNER: (b)(5)

4 (b)(5)

5 ROSETTA: Good enough. I appreciate
6 that. Okay. That's, that's great. Okay.
7 Appreciate that.

8 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

9 ROSETTA: Okay, Eliot.

10 MR. BRENNER: (b)(5)

11 (b)(5)

12 ROSETTA: I know what you mean.

13 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

14 ROSETTA: Okay. Bye-bye.

15 MR. BRENNER: Bye.

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3 MR. BRENNER: Yes, just a second. Let
4 me deal with -- just a minute.

5 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Hello.

6 MR. BRENNER: Hey, it's me.

7 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yes.

8 MR. BRENNER: I was on the phone when
9 you called.

10 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Oh! Did you listen
11 to my message?

12 MR. BRENNER: I haven't had a chance to
13 listen to your voicemail, no.

14 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Oh, okay. I was
15 just wondering what was going on. I can't seem to
16 find anything on the, on the news. Have they
17 contained that thing or what?

18 MR. BRENNER: I think they have gotten
19 it under control, but I really -- I've been too busy
20 doing other stuff to (b)(6) My (b)(6)
21 email won't stop. Sorry. Anyway, I may be home
22 before 7:00. There's a 7:00 call. I'd like to get
23 out of here and me home to do it.

24 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Oh, okay. All
25 right. What do you mean? A conference call?

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MR. BRENNER: Yes.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay.

MR. BRENNER: Yes.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: All right. Well,
let me know when you leave.

MR. BRENNER: Okay. I'll call you
later.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Bye.

MR. BRENNER: Bye.

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3 OFFICER: Public Affairs.

4 MALE PARTICIPANT: Yes. I just got a
5 question for you. I'm just a concerned citizen. Is
6 that all right?

7 OFFICER: You were put through from our
8 headquarters operations officer?

9 MALE PARTICIPANT: Yes, I think so, yes.
10 I went through probably the wrong channels to get
11 to you.

12 OFFICER: Well, I'm one of the Public
13 Affairs' officers here at the agency. What can I do
14 for you?

15 MALE PARTICIPANT: Well, the nuclear
16 plant blew up in Japan and I'm worried about the
17 radiation. I'm in California. They said it could
18 hit the West Coast. So, I just wanted to get a
19 heads-up so I can evacuate. I'll go to Arizona.

20 OFFICER: At this point, there isn't any
21 indication that anything like that would be
22 necessary. We, we are evaluating the situation.
23 We're trying to get the best information we can from
24 Japan, and once we have that, we'll be sharing it
25 with the rest of the federal government, and you

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1 will hear what, if anything, needs to be done
2 through the other federal agencies that, that would
3 be involved. At this point, even with jet stream
4 winds, there wouldn't be anything even detectable
5 for days. There is no need to do anything
6 immediately.

7 MALE PARTICIPANT: Oh, it wouldn't, it
8 wouldn't come that fast?

9 OFFICER: No.

10 MALE PARTICIPANT: Okay. That's what I
11 was scared of. That, that answered my question.
12 That's all I wanted to -- it would take a while to
13 get here, correct?

14 OFFICER: Absolutely.

15 MALE PARTICIPANT: Okay. That's, that's
16 what I was wondering about. Now I can go to bed and
17 sleep.

18 OFFICER: Okay.

19 MALE PARTICIPANT: Thank you very much.

20 OFFICER: You're welcome.

21 MALE PARTICIPANT: Bye.

22 OFFICER: Bye-bye.
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3 MR. BRENNER: NRC Public Affairs.

4 MR. SNYDER: Hey, Scott?

5 MR. BRENNER: This is Eliot.

6 MR. SNYDER: Eliot, this is Pete Snyder,
7 Headquarters Operations Officer. I have another
8 member of the public on the line. And, I don't know
9 if you guys want to take these calls or what we
10 should do with them.

11 MR. BRENNER: We, we, you know, name and
12 number is probably the best thing.

13 MR. SNYDER: Okay. Just name and
14 number.

15 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

16 MR. SNYDER: Okay.

17 MR. BRENNER: And, we'll, we'll try and
18 figure out a way to get these calls off your hands
19 later, but --

20 MR. SNYDER: Okay.

21 MR. BRENNER: If you can do that, we'll
22 just check with you from time to time.

23 MR. SNYDER: Okay. Thank you.

24 MR. BRENNER: Thank you, sir.

25 MR. SNYDER: Okay. Bye.

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MR. BRENNER: Bye.

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RECORDED MESSAGE: One moment, please. The operator is not available.

RECORDED MESSAGE: Thank you for contacting the NRC Customer Service Center. For quality assurance, this call may be monitored. Please listen to the following menu in its entirety as some options have changed. You may make your selection at any time. For ADAMS Support, press one. For the CSC Customer Service Center, press two.

RECORDED MESSAGE: One moment, please.

RECORDED MESSAGE: Thank you for calling the NRC Customer Support Center. Our office is closed at this time. Our business hours are from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. If you would like to --

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3 JOSH: Hello.

4 MR. BRENNER: Josh, Eliot.

5 JOSH: Good morning.

6 MR. BRENNER: Yes, sort of.

7 JOSH: How are you?

8 MR. BRENNER: Well, as well as anybody
9 on X number of sleep, hours of sleep can be.

10 JOSH: Yes.

11 MR. BRENNER: And, we get to do it
12 again, that's the fun part.

13 JOSH: All day.

14 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

15 JOSH: And, then probably tonight and
16 tomorrow too.

17 MR. BRENNER: That's true.

18 JOSH: Pictures are pretty dramatic. I
19 just saw them for the first time.

20 MR. BRENNER: Yes, they're pretty ugly.

21 JOSH: They were -- all I could find
22 when I got up was Lindsay Lohan and the Matt Walsh
23 program that I watched at 9:00 last night. So, what
24 is the goal is to get him into whatever background
25 briefings for the media --

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1 MR. BRENNER: Yes, yes. I mean, the
2 Chairman's goal is to lean as far forward as
3 possible, at least that's the way I'm reading it,
4 correct?

5 JOSH: I'm not sure. You've had more
6 direct conversations with him than I have.

7 MR. BRENNER: Yes. He wants, he wants
8 very much to be in there.

9 JOSH: Okay.

10 MR. BRENNER: And, I have done two
11 things. Last night I reminded (b)(5) we're
12 available. This morning, I reminded (b)(5)
13 we're available. He just sent me a note saying,
14 "Are you reminding (b)(5) that we're
15 available?"

16 JOSH: Okay.

17 MR. BRENNER: And -- yes.

18 JOSH: Okay.

19 MR. BRENNER: He said he may try to
20 engage Ponamon (phonetic) directly to try and get
21 himself inserted in -- it's actually a note to you.
22 Did you see it?

23 JOSH: Yes, yes.

24 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

25 JOSH: Yes. Okay. I mean do you think

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1 that's, that's important and --

2 MR. BRENNER: It seems important to him.

3 JOSH: Okay.

4 MR. BRENNER: And, in one conversation I
5 had with him yesterday was, you know, (b)(5)

6 (b)(5)

7 JOSH: Right.

8 MR. BRENNER: (b)(5)

9 (b)(5)

10 (b)(5)
11 JOSH:

(b)(5)

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14 MR. BRENNER: Yes. And, there's a
15 message that we can help with, which is, what is our
16 situation domestically?

17 JOSH: Yes.

18 MR. BRENNER: And, I made that point. I
19 don't know if I carboned you on it too to (b)(5)

20 (b)(5) in a note I sent a half hour ago.

21 JOSH: I don't think so, but okay. Cool.

22 MR. BRENNER: Okay. And, what I, what I
23 thought I'd do is I'd wait until -- I don't know.
24 Let's, let's wait until after the 7:00 briefing and
25 then I'll --

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1 JOSH: Okay.

2 MR. BRENNER -- maybe you and I can talk
3 and I can send a message and you can send a message
4 and he can send a message.

5 JOSH: Okay.

6 MR. BRENNER: We're going to have to be
7 doing something today --

8 JOSH: Okay.

9 MR. BRENNER: -- of some variety. And,
10 I've got a few little internal things I'm thinking
11 about, quick little video, get past the, the IT
12 people, and get it up on YouTube, little things like
13 that.

14 JOSH: Okay. You know, part of this,
15 and we can talk more in person, but part of his
16 desire to make sure that the accurate information is
17 being presented came from the level of discourse
18 from his activity that he had yesterday afternoon in
19 the SCIF, the call that he did, so --

20 MR. BRENNER: Yes, yes. Who, who was on
21 there? That was a deputy's call, right?

22 JOSH: Yes. It was pretty much lots of
23 people, so --

24 MR. BRENNER: And, was it a lot of
25 people saying, gee, we don't know what's going on?

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1 JOSH: A lot of people giving him an
2 opportunity to answer questions, lots of stuff, so,
3 so that, you know, it's -- I don't think he wants to
4 be seen as in charge, but I think it's he wants to
5 make sure that we're getting the right information
6 out.

7 MR. BRENNER: Yes. Now, my
8 recommendation to him on the phone call, I do not
9 know if you were there, on the call was that he stay
10 downtown for the time being.

11 JOSH: Oh, okay. No, I wasn't.

12 MR. BRENNER: Because it's -- I mean,
13 it's easy for him to stay in touch here
14 telephonically. It is harder for him to get to
15 Rockville, I mean, from Rockville (b)(5)
16 or downtown --

17 JOSH: Yes.

18 MR. BRENNER: -- than, than if he's
19 downtown. And, I can always go down and meet him --

20 JOSH: Yes.

21 MR. BRENNER: -- somewhere or pick him
22 up and we'll just go over to, you know, wherever the
23 venue is.

24 JOSH: Yes, okay.

25 MR. BRENNER: And, what I was thinking

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1 of just some, some quick and easy internal stuff was
2 taking a few pictures here in the Ops Center and
3 putting, getting the web people to put them up --

4 JOSH: Okay.

5 MR. BRENNER: -- on the external site.

6 JOSH: Okay.

7 MR. BRENNER: You know, NRC officials
8 working overnight, blah, blah, blah.

9 JOSH: Okay. Cool. Your awesome
10 picture of the commission got totally stepped on by
11 all this.

12 MR. BRENNER: Oh, you mean that thing
13 with Apostolakis and --

14 JOSH: Yes, I loved it.

15 MR. BRENNER: Yes, it was, it was a
16 great picture, and then I told him to put up -- I
17 had a nice picture of Vic McCree to put up over the
18 weekend, --

19 JOSH: Oh, good.

20 MR. BRENNER: -- but we're going to
21 supercede that. It was supposed to go up yesterday
22 afternoon. I haven't even looked at the website.

23 JOSH: (b)(5)

24 MR. BRENNER: (b)(5)

25 (b)(5)

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1 (b)(5) You know, I'm looking
2 at this computer and I do not see Internet access on
3 it.

4 JOSH: Really?

5 MR. BRENNER: That's (b)(6) bizarre.

6 JOSH: That's not good.

7 MR. BRENNER: It's not there.

8 JOSH: Yes, we probably should -- since
9 the picture we have up is Gregory Selby of EPRI
10 giving a presentation at the Ritz.

11 MR. BRENNER: Yes, yes. I'll, I'll get
12 something. It's just going to be, you know, Nader
13 and Dan Dorman and a couple of people, --

14 JOSH: Yes.

15 MR. BRENNER: -- but as soon as I can
16 find somebody --

17 JOSH: I don't think it should be the
18 boss, so, you know, just have --

19 MR. BRENNER: (b)(5)

20 (b)(5) -

21 JOSH: Yes, exactly.

22 MR. BRENNER: (b)(5)

23 JOSH: Yes, yes. No, I think it's a
24 good staff.

25 MR. BRENNER: Yes, okay. Why don't we

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1 check -- you're going to be on the 7:00?

2 JOSH: Yes, I'll be on at 7:00.

3 MR. BRENNER: All right. We can tag up
4 after that.

5 JOSH: Okay. So you think -- okay. I
6 might see if I can establish some contact with his
7 office, but I'll wait to do the big push until after
8 we find something out --

9 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

10 JOSH: All right. Cool.

11 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

12 JOSH: Thanks.

13 MR. BRENNER: Bye.

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3 (b)(5) : (b)(5). This is (b)(5).

4 MR. BRENNER: (b)(5) this is Eliot
5 Brenner at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

6 (b)(5) : Hi. Good morning. How are
7 you?

8 MR. BRENNER: Just fine. You had called
9 looking for a body to put on the air.

10 (b)(5) : Yes, a body.

11 MR. BRENNER: Not in permission to --
12 not in a position to provide a talking head at the
13 moment.

14 (b)(5) : Okay. Okay, great. Well, I
15 appreciate you letting me know.

16 MR. BRENNER: Thanks for checking in.

17 (b)(5) : Sure. Take care.

18 MR. BRENNER: Bye-bye.

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4 FEMA's Office of External Affairs. Please listen
5 carefully to the following options. If you're a
6 member of the media and have an inquiry, press one.

7 For general public affairs' questions, please press
8 two.

9 If you're with a state, local, or tribal
10 government and would like to speak with someone in
11 intergovernmental affairs, press three. To speak
12 with someone in community relations, press four.
13 For our office of international affairs, press five.

14 If you'd like to speak with someone in
15 our office of legislative affairs, press six. If
16 you've been affected by a disaster and would like to
17 register for assistants or if you've already
18 registered and have questions or would like to check
19 on the status of your application, please hang up
20 now and call 1-800-621-FEMA. That's 1-800-621-3362.

21 To speak with an operator, press zero,
22 or simply stay on the line. Once again, thank you
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24 RECORDED MESSAGE: Transferring to an
25 attendant. One moment, please.

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1 KEVIN: FEMA's Operations Center. This
2 is Kevin. It's a recorded line.

3 MR. BRENNER: Hey, Kevin. This is Eliot
4 Brenner. I'm the Public Affairs' guy at the Nuclear
5 Regulatory Commission.

6 KEVIN: Yes, sir.

7 MR. BRENNER: I am trying to reach
8 whoever you've got up tonight on, or this morning,
9 on Public Affairs' side.

10 KEVIN: Okay. Stand by one second.

11 MR. BRENNER: Thanks a lot.

12 (Pause.)

13 KEVIN: Okay. And, what's your name
14 again?

15 MR. BRENNER: Eliot Brenner.

16 KEVIN: Okay. I'm going to try to
17 connect you with Ms. Mary Olsen.

18 MR. BRENNER: Okay. Thanks a lot.

19 (Pause.)

20 MR. BRENNER: I can't find my end of the
21 world DHS card.

22 MALE PARTICIPANT: You have a
23 (indiscernible, possibly "lot") number?

24 MR. BRENNER: No. I will in a -- I may
25 in a minute.

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1 KEVIN: Yes, sir. She's on.

2 MS. OLSEN: Hi, this is Mary.

3 MR. BRENNER: Hi, Mary. This is Eliot
4 Brenner. I run the Public Affairs' shop over at the
5 Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

6 MS. OLSEN: Yes.

7 MR. BRENNER: Are we having fun?

8 MS. OLSEN: Oh, yes.

9 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

10 MS. OLSEN: We're actually -- I mean I --
11 -- I'm actually, kind of surprised that this is the
12 first call I've gotten since I left the office
13 yesterday, so that's probably a good sign.

14 MR. BRENNER: You're lucky.

15 MS. OLSEN: Yes. I know you guys are
16 probably --

17 MR. BRENNER: Yes, we're a little busy,
18 but, you know, I used to do this for the FAA for a
19 living, and --

20 MS. OLSEN: Yes.

21 MR. BRENNER: (b)(5)

22 (b)(5) But, anyway, the
23 reason I called is if you guys do anything
24 publically on the sort of educational emergency
25 preparedness in the United States, there is, there

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1 is hanging out there a question of, can this happen
2 here, what do we do in the event of a nuclear
3 emergency in this country?

4 MS. OLSEN: Yes.

5 MR. BRENNER: And, I am reaching out to
6 say that our Chairman is available if you want, if
7 you're going to do something to be there with you to
8 discuss how we handle things at the NRC.

9 MS. OLSEN: Okay.

10 MR. BRENNER: And, let me give you my
11 contact information.

12 MS. OLSEN: That -- yes, that would be
13 great.

14 MR. BRENNER: Okay. My email is E-L-I-
15 O-T dot Brenner, B-R-E-N-N-E-R, @ N-R-C dot gov.

16 MS. OLSEN: Okay.

17 MR. BRENNER: And, I'll give you my cell
18 phone.

19 MS. OLSEN: Okay.

20 MR. BRENNER: It's (b)(6) I'm
21 also going to give you my main office number, which
22 is staffed. It's 301-415-8200. And, I would ask
23 the same of you. How can I get in touch with you or
24 your counterpart?

25 MS. OLSEN: Sure. Well, my name is Mary

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1 Olsen.

2 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

3 MS. OLSEN: That's Mary dot Olsen, O-L-
4 S-E-N.

5 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

6 MS. OLSEN: And, I -- I'm the on-call
7 person, but I'm also the news desk --

8 MR. BRENNER: Sure.

9 MS. OLSEN: -- manager, and so the news
10 desk number -- I'm going to give you - well, that's
11 the number you called probably and got --

12 MR. BRENNER: No, actually I called your
13 op center.

14 MS. OLSEN: Oh, okay. Well, let me give
15 you the news desk number because that's where all
16 the media inquiries go. It gets -- it gets
17 forwarded in the evenings, and so it's forwarded to
18 me. Like right now, I go through the operations
19 center, but it's 202 --

20 MR. BRENNER: Right.

21 MS. OLSEN: -- 646-3272.

22 MR. BRENNER: Right.

23 MS. OLSEN: And, my -- let me give you
24 my Blackberry number.

25 MR. BRENNER: Go ahead.

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1 MS. OLSEN: It's (b)(6)

2 MR. BRENNER: (b)(6)

3 MS. OLSEN: And, are you -- I mean, are
4 you guys already getting those questions now?

5 MR. BRENNER: Oh, I've been, I've been
6 getting them since yesterday afternoon.

7 MS. OLSEN: Yes.

8 MR. BRENNER: And, we just haven't said
9 anything yet and we're thinking at some point we're
10 probably going to have to -- you know, we've been
11 trying to stay out of the way of the Japanese, --

12 MS. OLSEN: Right, right.

13 MR. BRENNER: -- but at some point, we,
14 we're going to have to address this because,
15 frankly, all the nuclear critics are out there
16 running this, running around saying, --

17 MS. OLSEN: Right.

18 MR. BRENNER: -- "End of the world. End
19 of the world."

20 MS. OLSEN: Yes. Oh, I know. Yes.
21 And, you know, honestly, like, so yesterday, we were
22 slammed as you can imagine. It's definitely given
23 the tsunami warnings, but when that kind of died
24 down, everything sort of gets referred to USAID from
25 our standpoint because most of the questions we're

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1 getting are, you know, what are we doing, what
2 preparations are we taking, and --

3 MR. BRENNER: Exactly.

4 MS. OLSEN: -- what are -- who are we
5 (indiscernible, possibly "sending") to Japan.

6 MR. BRENNER: But there's going to end
7 up being a domestic component of this.

8 MS. OLSEN: Yes, there is, you're right.
9 And, I -- I will -- I'm going to pass along -- our
10 press secretary, her name is Rachel Racusen
11 (phonetic). She's also -- she's the director of
12 Public Affairs.

13 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

14 MS. OLSEN: And, I'm going to send her
15 an email. Her and -- we have two press secretaries.
16 Our other press secretary is Brad Carroll
17 (phonetic). So, I'll send -- maybe I'll send them
18 both an email and put you on the cc line and --

19 MR. BRENNER: Thank you.

20 MS. OLSEN: -- just say, you know, we
21 talked this morning and, you know, they're kind of
22 planning on addressing this, this question that's
23 inevitably coming up and they're going to keep
24 coming up, and maybe -- because we've been -- we use
25 our blog a lot for sort of getting messages out that

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1 aren't necessarily like in our lane, but to kind of
2 to tell, direct people where to go, you know.

3 MR. BRENNER: Yes. And, we're using our
4 blog a little bit to just say, "Here's what we're
5 doing."

6 MS. OLSEN: Yes.

7 MR. BRENNER: But, you know, right now,
8 we got a bunch of (b)(6) sitting
9 around looking at each other. That's about it.

10 MS. OLSEN: Yes, yes, yes. Okay. Well,
11 I will -- yes, I will, I will send them an email and
12 loop you in and --

13 MR. BRENNER: Okay. We're just kind of
14 interested if you're going to do anything to talk
15 about domestic preparedness, --

16 MS. OLSEN: Yes.

17 MR. BRENNER: -- it would probably -- it
18 would, it would either -- it would probably be
19 helpful from your perspective, and I know it would
20 be helpful from ours, for us to, to be along with
21 your director.

22 MS. OLSEN: Yes, yes, okay. Well, I
23 will, I will do that this morning.

24 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

25 MS. OLSEN: I'll talk about -- I'll send

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1 an email and just that we all touched basis. I
2 mean, I don't -- I'll be honest with you. I don't
3 think we're going to do anything before, you know,
4 before the week starts. I don't know if you guys
5 are going to go ahead and start.

6 MR. BRENNER: Well, I'll be honest with
7 you. (b)(5)

8 (b)(5)

9 MS. OLSEN: Okay.

10 MR. BRENNER: -- (b)(5)

11 (b)(5)

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13 MS. OLSEN: Oh, okay.

14 MR. BRENNER: -- but, you know, there is
15 a domestic component and --

16 MS. OLSEN: Yes.

17 MR. BRENNER: -- we're getting a lot of
18 the, --

19 MS. OLSEN: The what ifs.

20 MR. BRENNER: -- can this happen here,
21 what about my plant, that kind of stuff.

22 MS. OLSEN: Yes, okay. All right.

23 MR. BRENNER: Frankly, I'm venue
24 shopping.

25 MS. OLSEN: Yes, yes. Okay.

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1 MR. BRENNER: All right. Well, listen,
2 nice to talk with you.

3 MS. OLSEN: Well, I will -- yes. I'll
4 send an email to them and I'll cc you, and then, you
5 know, we'll kind of go from there, but I don't see
6 us doing anything -- you know, we, we are not -- we
7 direct, you know, we report to DHS, and we -- this
8 whole, this whole operation yesterday, I mean, we're
9 very close, very close contact with DHS and the
10 White House, so --

11 MR. BRENNER: Exactly.

12 MS. OLSEN: -- I don't see us putting,
13 posting anything on that issue until we get, you
14 know, everybody to sign off.

15 MR. BRENNER: Yes, yes, yes. I mean,
16 you guys have to report to the White House, so it's
17 --

18 MS. OLSEN: Yes.

19 MR. BRENNER: -- a little more
20 difficult.

21 MS. OLSEN: (b)(5)
22 (b)(5)
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25 (b)(5) so, you know, so it's -- but it's helpful to

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1 have your contact information and I will, I will
2 certainly pass that to them.

3 MR. BRENNER: We're here if necessary.

4 MS. OLSEN: Okay. Thank you so much. I
5 appreciate the call.

6 MR. BRENNER: Okay. Thank you. Nice to
7 talk to you.

8 MS. OLSEN: All right.

9 MR. BRENNER: Bye-bye.

10 MS. OLSEN: Bye-bye.

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FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Public Affairs.

MR. BRENNER: You answered my question.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: What's that, sir?

MR. BRENNER: Scott is on his way.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Scott is definitely
on his way.

MR. BRENNER: Because I am
technologically in over my head.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay.

MR. BRENNER: Thank you.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay.

MR. BRENNER: Bye.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Bye.

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3 JIM: Hello. Jim speaking.

4 MR. BRENNER: Hey, it's Eliot Brenner
5 with Public Affairs.

6 JIM: How you doing, Eliot?

7 MR. BRENNER: Oh, pretty good. And,
8 you?

9 JIM: Oh, good, I think.

10 MR. BRENNER: Okay. Did you spend all
11 that money I gave you?

12 JIM: No, not yet. I will.

13 MR. BRENNER: Okay, good. Thank you for
14 being on deck.

15 JIM: Oh, no problem.

16 MR. BRENNER: What I'm going to do is
17 send an email to all of our team and carbon you
18 saying that you're the, the on deck person to help
19 us with web stuff. We're probably going to be
20 putting out some news releases and posting some
21 things.

22 JIM: Okay.

23 MR. BRENNER: So, I guess you're the
24 designated hitter.

25 JIM: Well, actually, can you cc Sally

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1 Hardy (phonetic) as well?

2 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

3 JIM: She, she is actually the primary
4 one, --

5 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

6 JIM: -- but I was called in -- or
7 those, from communication, so like that said, okay,
8 you know what, let me just go in and get things
9 straightened out --

10 MR. BRENNER: Okay, cool.

11 JIM: -- as far as who does what, but
12 Sally should be on that primarily all the time.

13 MR. BRENNER: I will do that. I will do
14 that.

15 JIM: Because I think we're going to
16 have some different coverages, but just to make
17 sure.

18 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

19 JIM: All right.

20 MR. BRENNER: Thank you.

21 JIM: Is there anything else that I need
22 to, anyone else that I need to contact or --

23 MR. BRENNER: No. I will make sure that
24 we share, that this information is shared around.

25 JIM: Okay. And, as far as the support

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1 goes, when is it until? Do you know the --

2 MR. BRENNER: Tuesday, Wednesday.

3 JIM: Okay.

4 MR. BRENNER: You mean in terms of how
5 late tonight?

6 JIM: Well, actually, Sally and I had
7 talked about it and I'll be here around till 4:00.

8 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

9 JIM: And, then she's going to -- she
10 has access availability to --

11 MR. BRENNER: From home?

12 JIM: From home.

13 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

14 JIM: And, she's going to do it from
15 home most of the time.

16 MR. BRENNER: Okay, that's cool.

17 JIM: So --

18 MR. BRENNER: All right. I will shoot a
19 note out and I appreciate the help.

20 JIM: Oh, no problem.

21 MR. BRENNER: Thank you.

22 JIM: Thank you.

23 MR. BRENNER: Bye-bye.

24 JIM: Bye.
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3 MR. BRENNER: NRC Public Affairs. Eliot
4 Brenner.

5 MALE PARTICIPANT: Hi, Eliot. I've got
6 Larry Camper on a line here I'd like to connect to
7 you if you don't --

8 MR. BRENNER: Sure.

9 MALE PARTICIPANT: You can talk to him,
10 all right.

11 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

12 MR. CAMPER: Hello.

13 MR. BRENNER: Mr. Camper.

14 MR. CAMPER: Mr. Brenner, how are you,
15 sir?

16 MR. BRENNER: Well, I've had more fun
17 days.

18 MR. CAMPER: I'm sure you have. I was
19 just talking to HOO. I was curious as to -- I
20 called to find out when the next briefing is. I
21 just wanted to listen in for the obvious reasons.
22 But I'm asking, have we put out any more press
23 releases? And, I'm sorry I haven't seen the one you
24 put out yesterday. I was out of the office
25 yesterday.

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1 MR. BRENNER: Yes. We are, we are first
2 off updating talking points for everybody. And,
3 once we've done that, we will do a fresh press
4 release that says, we've been in touch with our
5 counterparts, we're prepared to help, --

6 MR. CAMPER: Good.

7 MR. BRENNER: -- blah, blah, blah.

8 MR. CAMPER: Because I know you know
9 your business. The thought that I had, and I'll
10 just think out loud with you, okay, and then you
11 know this better than I, in listening to the thing
12 we talked yesterday afternoon, you know, the fact
13 that we have a tendency to be very factual and
14 oriented and so forth for the good and obvious
15 reasons, but sometimes I wonder just communicating
16 for the purpose of making the public feel good if
17 that's possible.

18 And listening -- in listening yesterday,
19 I heard, you know, this is in fact a unique event.
20 You know, there's this question of design basis.
21 Are our systems designed to accommodate?

22 MR. BRENNER: Right. We have prepared -
23 - let me tell you what's, what's going on here.
24 We've prepared about an eight or ten item Q&A that
25 is geared for a domestic audience.

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1 MR. CAMPER: Yes.

2 MR. BRENNER:

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And --

7 MR. CAMPER: Well, see, I think that's
8 very smart because, you know, like yesterday we were
9 talking about -- somebody else in the government has
10 a (inaudible) whether that's EPA presumably or DOE,
11 whatever it is, but the point is, we're the
12 knowledge experts.

13 MR. BRENNER: Yes. And, I --

14 MR. CAMPER: We must be doing something

15 --

16 MR. BRENNER: At 4:00 in the morning,
17 I've been trading notes with (b)(5)

18 (b)(5)

19 "We're the pros. If you're going to talk about this
20 publically, we need to be there."

21 MR. CAMPER: Absolutely. And, the more,
22 you know, I mean, for example, yesterday, Cindy
23 Peterson (phonetic) pointed out the (inaudible) of
24 the utilities, we're already doing an issue
25 analyses, probably others are as well.

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1 There's this issue of we're manning, you
2 know, we're doing what we're doing in terms of the
3 op center and so forth. I mean, all those things --

4 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

5 MR. CAMPER: -- have, you know, public
6 soft value if you will by comparison to, you know, a
7 hardcore technical, this is --

8 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

9 MR. CAMPER: I hope you understand that
10 anyway. But, I don't know, I'm like you. I mean,
11 and it sounds like you're saying about the same
12 thing. I mean, anything we can do to raise comfort
13 levels --

14 MR. BRENNER: Yes, yes, that's, that's
15 what we're trying to do.

16 MR. CAMPER: We ought to get out there
17 on the point if that, you know, makes any sense.

18 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

19 MR. CAMPER: But, anyway, that was what
20 was on my mind. I just -- I called in to -- I
21 thought about it last night too and I thought, you
22 know, are we -- and, again, I apologize because I
23 have not seen your --

24 MR. BRENNER: No, that's fine. I agree
25 with you. There's more that we can do. It's the

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1 circumstances that make this a little difficult for
2 us to be real aggressive.

3 MR. CAMPER: Well, I tell you, the
4 explosion on -- that looked awful.

5 MR. BRENNER: Did not look good.

6 MR. CAMPER: No, it does not look good.
7 Now, what are the actual consequences of that?

8 MR. BRENNER: Yes. It appears to be the
9 secondary containment building, although, we're not
10 confirming that publically.

11 MR. CAMPER: Right.

12 MR. BRENNER: And, so, you know, did it,
13 did it take the top of the reactor with it? I don't
14 know.

15 MR. CAMPER: I don't either. They said
16 something about cesium and iodine.

17 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

18 MR. CAMPER: Certainly, it had fuel
19 compromise. You know, you don't have to have a
20 meltdown or something of that nature.

21 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

22 MR. CAMPER: If you're losing cesium and
23 iodine, you probably got fuel compromise. Now, just
24 what does that mean? Just what does that mean?
25 Unfortunately, we don't know, but I hate to see this

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1 happen. God, I hate to see this happen.

2 MR. BRENNER: Yes, it's, it's not going
3 to be good for people in our business.

4 MR. CAMPER: Well, you know, all the,
5 you know, all the groups out there who do what they
6 do, they'll just (inaudible) and blown way out of
7 promotion.

8 "We can see the explosion." It's hard
9 to explain to a lay person that it's not, you know,
10 a reactor blowing up, so. All right. Well, anyway,
11 like I said, I just wanted to find out when the next
12 conference call. I want to listen in.

13 MR. BRENNER: I'm not quite sure what
14 the timing is.

15 MR. CAMPER: 3:30 I think it is, 3:30?

16 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

17 MR. CAMPER: I was just -- so he said,
18 "Well you were here." I said, "Well, yes, I talked
19 to him about this." And, it sounds to me like
20 you're actually thinking the same thing, which is
21 not surprising.

22 MR. BRENNER: Yes. I do enjoy chaos so
23 much.

24 MR. CAMPER: Yes, right.

25 MR. BRENNER: I got to tell you, I've

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1 done a dozen major plane crashes, this ain't diddly.

2 MR. CAMPER: Oh, I know, yes. Well, you
3 know what? You're a good man to have right there,
4 right now.

5 MR. BRENNER: Well, thank you very much.

6 MR. CAMPER: All right. You have a good
7 day. I'll talk to you later.

8 MR. BRENNER: Take care, Larry. Bye-
9 bye.

10 MR. CAMPER: Bye.

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(b)(6) Hello.

MR. BRENNER: (b)(6)

(b)(6) Yes. Can I call you back?

I'm on a long-distance call.

MR. BRENNER: I will call you back in --

how long?

(b)(6) Oh, give me 10-15 minutes.

(b)(6)

MR. BRENNER: Okay.

(b)(6) All right.

MR. BRENNER: Bye.

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3 (b)(6): Hi. This is (b)(6)
4 at (b)(6). Please leave a message and I'll
5 call you back as soon as possible. If you need to
6 reach me right away or on weekends, you can call my
7 cell phone at (b)(6). Thank you.

8 MR. BRENNER: Hey, (b)(6), Eliot
9 Brenner at the NRC. You had called my office. We
10 are still undecided as to what we're going to do. I
11 will be in touch with you if it looks like as if we
12 need to get thrust out into the public fright.
13 Thank you, and we'll be in touch. Bye-bye.

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3 (b)(6) Hi, this is (b)(6).

4 MR. BRENNER: Nadine, this is Eliot
5 Brenner at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

6 (b)(6): Hi, sir. How are you?

7 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

8 (b)(6): The reason I'm calling is, you
9 know, in view of what happened in Japan, we are
10 doing a prime time special and the focus will be the
11 emphasis on nuclear safety in the United States.
12 So, we were hoping that we could get our anchor, (b)(6)

13 (b)(6) to do a tour of one of your plants today.

14 MR. BRENNER: We don't own any plants.

15 (b)(6): Oh, you don't own any plants.

16 MR. BRENNER: No. In the United States

17 --

18 (b)(6): Yes.

19 MR. BRENNER: -- all the nuclear plants
20 are privately owned. If you wish to tour a nuclear
21 plant, and if you're at New York, the closest one is
22 going to be Indian Point.

23 (b)(6): Okay.

24 MR. BRENNER: You must contact the
25 people who own the plant.

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1 (b)(6): Okay. So, I just basically do
2 a search of Indian Point and find the contact,
3 right?

4 MR. BRENNER: Well, hang on a second.
5 Let me look at something.

6 (b)(6): Thank you.

7 MR. BRENNER: Let me see if I can get
8 you a phone number.

9 (b)(6): You are very kind, sir. Thank
10 you very much.

11 (Pause.)

12 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

13 (b)(6): Yes.

14 MR. BRENNER: The guy you want to talk
15 to -- I mean this is -- you're in New York and you
16 want to go to the closest plant, right?

17 (b)(6): Exactly. Exactly.

18 MR. BRENNER: Okay. You're going to
19 want to try and go to Indian Point. The guy you
20 want to talk to is Jim Steets, S-T-E-E-T-S. Hang on
21 a second.

22 Yes I know. But they're in New York
23 City. They won't know the (b)(6) difference.

24 (Pause.)

25 MR. BRENNER: Okay. If you want the

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1 nearest nuclear plant, if you don't care that it is
2 dissimilar from the one in Japan.

3 (b)(6): Oh, we don't care.

4 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

5 (b)(6): We just want the nearest
6 nuclear plant.

7 MR. BRENNER: You want the nearest
8 nuclear plant.

9 (b)(6): Yes.

10 MR. BRENNER: You don't care if it's the
11 same type as the one in Japan.

12 (b)(6): Well, I mean I would take both.
13 I would take the --

14 MR. BRENNER: Okay. I'm going to give
15 you both.

16 (b)(6): Oh, you're lovely. Thank you.

17 MR. BRENNER: All right. You want --
18 for the Indian Point plant, which is a pressurized
19 water reactor. It is not at all like the plant in
20 Japan.

21 (b)(6): Okay.

22 MR. BRENNER: Jim Steets, 914-272-3545.
23 And, his email is jsteets, S-T-E-E-T-S, @ Entergy,
24 E-N-T-E-R-G-Y, dot com. If you want the nearest
25 boiling water reactor, you will want Oyster Creek,

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1 which is down near Tom's Creek in New Jersey.

2 (b)(6): Okay.

3 MR. BRENNER: And, hang on.

4 (Pause.)

5 MR. BRENNER: I've got his (b)(6)
6 contact information. I lied. Try, try this phone
7 number.

8 (b)(6): Okay.

9 MR. BRENNER: 609-971-2180. That plant
10 is owned by a firm called, "Amergen, A-M-E-R-G-E-N,
11 Energy," but it's also managed by Exelon
12 Corporation.

13 (b)(6): Okay, managed by Exelon. Okay,
14 got it.

15 MR. BRENNER: And, so Oyster Creek is a
16 boiling water reactor.

17 (b)(6): Boiling water reactor.

18 MR. BRENNER: It's the closest one that
19 is similar.

20 (b)(6): Okay, got it. You are a very,
21 very, very kind man. I can't tell you how thankful
22 I am.

23 MR. BRENNER: You're welcome.

24 (b)(6): And, I know this is --

25 MR. BRENNER: Sorry, we don't run the

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1 plant, so we can't help you.

2 (b)(6): No. Thank you, so much, sir.

3 I really appreciate it.

4 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

5 (b)(6): Thank you.

6 MR. BRENNER: Bye-bye.

7 (b)(6): Bye-bye.

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(b)(6) : Hello.

MR. BRENNER: (b)(6)

(b)(6) : Yes.

MR. BRENNER: (b)(6)

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(b)(6) : Oh, okay.

MR. BRENNER: (b)(6)

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MR. BRENNER: Okay.

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1 MR. BRENNER: (b)(6)

2 (b)(6): (b)(6)

3 MR. BRENNER: (b)(6)

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6 (b)(6): Yes. Well, I saw that in the
7 paper today and I figured you were probably doing
8 big things.

9 MR. BRENNER: Yes. This is my
10 equivalent of an airplane crash, but it's going to
11 take days.

12 (b)(6): Well, what do you have to do
13 for them?

14 MR. BRENNER: Well, I'm working with the
15 Chairman to try and get him on television and get
16 out in front of the public the kind of stuff that we
17 do in this country to protect people.

18 (b)(6): Well, we don't have tsunamis,
19 but we have earthquakes.

20 MR. BRENNER: Yes, we've got
21 earthquakes. And, actually, the tsunami reached us
22 yesterday.

23 (b)(6): Yes, I know it did. I saw
24 that on the news.

25 MR. BRENNER: Right. So, I tell you

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1 what, I'm going to check in with you later this
2 afternoon.

3 (b)(6): Okay. I'll be here.

4 MR. BRENNER:

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8 MR. BRENNER:

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12 MR. BRENNER:

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(b)(6) : Okay.

MR. BRENNER: (b)(6)

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(b)(6) Yes, I do. Okay.

MR. BRENNER: Okay.

(b)(6) : That's fine. Bye.

MR. BRENNER: Take care. Bye-bye.

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3 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Good morning.

4 Scott Peterson's office.

5 MR. BRENNER: Hey, it's Eliot Brenner.

6 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Hi, Eliot. How are
7 you?

8 MR. BRENNER: Well, I think the answer
9 is yes and vertical.

10 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Right.

11 MR. BRENNER: That kind of covers the
12 waterfront. I wondered if I could tag up with Scott
13 quickly?

14 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: He is, I think he's
15 on a conference call right now, --

16 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

17 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: -- but do you maybe
18 -- I can -- I think Tony Butchangila (phonetic) is
19 around. Would that help?

20 MR. BRENNER: Sure.

21 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Hold on one second,
22 okay?

23 (Pause.)

24 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Eliot?

25 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

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1 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: I'm going to
2 actually patch you in to Steve because both --
3 Steve's here- because both Scott and Tony are on a
4 conference call right now.

5 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

6 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay. Hold on one
7 second.

8 (Pause.)

9 MR. KARICOUS (phonetic): Steve
10 Karicous.

11 MR. BRENNER: Steve. Eliot Brenner.

12 MR. KARICOUS: Hey, Eliot. How are you
13 doing?

14 MR. BRENNER: I'm vertical.

15 MR. KARICOUS: There you go. That's a
16 start.

17 MR. BRENNER: A start?

18 MR. KARICOUS: Yes, that's good.

19 MR. BRENNER: I was just trying to tag
20 up with you guys. I had gotten -- one of our senior
21 fellows had said you guys were doing a conference
22 call. And, the inference was, gee, I ought to go
23 call you guys and see if I can be on your conference
24 call, which is probably a little improper, but what
25 the hell.

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1 MR. KARICOUS: I'll ask.

2 MR. BRENNER: Yes. It is not necessary.

3 I mean, but if you want me on there, I'm happy to
4 do it.

5 MR. KARICOUS: Okay.

6 MR. BRENNER: All I can say is what
7 we're doing and what we're not doing.

8 MR. KARICOUS: Okay. Let me, let me
9 communicate that to Scott and see what, what the --

10 MR. BRENNER: Yes. It's -- and if it's
11 improper, just maybe he and I can tag up for a
12 couple of minutes.

13 MR. KARICOUS: Okay.

14 MR. BRENNER: Because, frankly, I'm kind
15 of limited on what I can say and do.

16 MR. KARICOUS: What's the best number to
17 get you?

18 MR. BRENNER: Right now 301-816-5107, or
19 my cell, which is (b)(6)

20 MR. KARICOUS: Okay.

21 MR. BRENNER: You all having fun?

22 MR. KARICOUS: Yes, we're trying to.

23 MR. BRENNER: I've done so (b)(6) many
24 plane crashes. This one is so nice to have
25 something unfolding so slowly.

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1 MR. KARICOUS: Yes, isn't it, yes. Yes,
2 I hear you. I hear you.

3 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

4 MR. KARICOUS: Fingers crossed.

5 MR. BRENNER: Talk to you later.

6 MR. KARICOUS: Okay. Thank you.

7 MR. BRENNER: Bye.

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3 (b)(6): (b)(6), (b)(6)

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5 MR. BRENNER: Hey, (b)(6). It's Eliot
6 Brenner at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

7 (b)(6): Hi, how are you?

8 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

9 (b)(6): Yes, you are.

10 MR. BRENNER: Yes, I are. And, I have
11 an outstanding phone call, so if I have to ring off,
12 I apologize and I'll get back to you.

13 (b)(6): Okay. Two Ls, two Ts?

14 MR. BRENNER: One L, one T.

15 (b)(6): One L, one T, and B-R-E-N-
16 N-E-R?

17 MR. BRENNER: Yes, but I don't want to
18 talk on the record right now.

19 (b)(6): Nothing is on the record.

20 This is -- I just need to know who am talking to --

21 MR. BRENNER: Sure.

22 (b)(6): Because -- because I take
23 notes, and then none of the stuff will ever see the
24 light of day. Can -- you're spokesperson for the
25 NRC or just a --

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1 MR. BRENNER: I'm the director of Public
2 Affairs.

3 (b)(6): Okay.

4 MR. BRENNER: I'm the guy who calls (b)(6)
5 up and says, (b)(6) (b)(6), you didn't get that
6 right."

7 (b)(6): So, he knows you very
8 well.

9 MR. BRENNER: And, (b)(6) -- (b)(6) goes
10 back and says, "Eliot, I sure as hell did and let me
11 tell you, I can pull out the quote from 1997 in
12 which the Chairman said."

13 (b)(6): (b)(6) is like that.

14 MR. BRENNER: Yes, just like (b)(6), so.

15 (b)(6): Okay. What we're trying
16 to do is -- we're looking for a design -- somebody
17 sent something to me from NEI actually --

18 MR. BRENNER: You're looking for --

19 (b)(6) Design of the reactor that
20 is that, you know, having the problems, the major
21 problems.

22 MR. BRENNER: Yes. Are you graphics?

23 (b)(6): We're in -- yes, I'm in
24 the graphics department. So, we've got something
25 from the NEI, which I assume is a GE-designed --

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1 MR. BRENNER: I've got a, I've got a
2 slide I can send you.

3 (b)(6): That would be great.

4 MR. BRENNER: As long as you don't tell
5 anybody where the hell it came from.

6 (b)(6): We're not going to source
7 anything unless we, you know, unless we get
8 permission to --

9 MR. BRENNER: Yes. It's kind of a
10 generic picture of the insides.

11 (b)(6): Is it a GE-design or is it
12 --

13 MR. BRENNER: Yes. Yes.

14 (b)(6): Okay.

15 MR. BRENNER: Let me point you to
16 something on our web.

17 (b)(6): Okay, go ahead.

18 MR. BRENNER: Go find the latest press
19 release I've put out, and in it is a link to
20 something -- well, actually, --

21 (b)(6): Is it NRC. --

22 MR. BRENNER: Yes, NRC.gov, and then let
23 me see --

24 (b)(6): Where's the press release
25 I'm looking for? I'm sorry.

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1 MR. BRENNER: Well, it's -- first I got
2 to get to the (b)(6) website. Pardon my French.

3 (b)(6): That's all right. We're
4 all in the same boat.

5 MR. BRENNER: Where's that (b)(6)
6 internet? Press release has just been posted.
7 That's good because now I've got to find -- I'm
8 sorry. I'm working on a computer in our op center,
9 which is not mine and the desktop is not set up the
10 way I want it.

11 (b)(6): Yes, it's one of --

12 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

13 (b)(6): Press releases. NRC in
14 communication with Japanese Regulators?

15 MR. BRENNER: Yes. Yes. Pull that up.

16 (b)(6): Okay.

17 MR. BRENNER: And, then in there -- let
18 me get that to open. Buried at --

19 (b)(6): That would be the graphics.

20 MR. BRENNER: Yes, buried at the bottom,
21 click on the boiling water reactor part.

22 (b)(6): Okay, yes. I've been --

23 MR. BRENNER: And, then there's a big
24 schematic at the bottom of that.

25 (b)(6): Below that or no? The

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1 typical boiling water reactor.

2 MR. BRENNER: Typical. Typical BWR.

3 (b)(6) Okay. My understanding is
4 that BWRs in the U.S. are only built by GE. Is that
5 correct?

6 MR. BRENNER: I believe so, but I am not
7 an expert. One of my staffers, who just stepped
8 out, would know that and I can --

9 (b)(6): I think we've got another
10 schematic. Actually, I can -- I would even be happy
11 to send it to you, what we've been following and
12 what the NEI sent us, which is kind of a better,
13 forgive me for saying this, but a better drawn
14 schematic only because it's got more sort of, you
15 know, shadings and renderings. But what I'm trying
16 to figure out is if this schematic they sent us is
17 exactly the same model and design as the one --

18 MR. BRENNER: Oh, you know, that I don't
19 think anybody can be sure of, but I can tell you --
20 what -- do you know what design the --

21 (b)(6): Mark-1 (phonetic), right?

22 MR. BRENNER: Mark-1. All right. I've
23 got a Mark-1 cutaway.

24 (b)(6): That would be phenomenal.

25 MR. BRENNER: All right. Give me your

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1 email.

2 (b)(6)

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3 MR. BRENNER:

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4 (b)(6)

Yes, (b)(6)

5 MR. BRENNER:

(b)(6)

6 (b)(6)

7 (b)(6):

(b)(6)

, put the

8 (b)(6)

in there.

9 MR. BRENNER: (b)(6) I'm sorry.

10 (b)(6)

(b)(6)

11 MR. BRENNER: Okay. And, I will double-

12 check with my staffer to ensure that all domestic

13 BWRs are GE. The problem domestic --

14 (b)(6):

We're not really

15 interested in the domestic, but since I assume all

16 the diagrams we're getting are in fact GE domestic

17 ones, I'm, I mean, they're domestic ones, I'm just -

18 -

19 MR. BRENNER: All right. I'm looking at

20 a cutaway, and it's got a bunch -- unfortunately,

21 it's got a bunch of little, you know, arrows saying,

22 "This is, this piece and this is that piece," which

23 may not be of use to you. You may have to block

24 them out.

25 (b)(6):

Well, no, we're redrawing

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1 it.

2 MR. BRENNER: That's fine. If that's
3 what -- if that's what you're doing, this is exactly
4 what you want. You'll have it in five minutes.

5 (b)(6): Okay. Also, one other
6 thing we're looking for, at the end of the day,
7 we're going to, once we've drawn this thing and
8 figured out how it works, or even preferably before
9 we've done that, we want to talk to somebody who's
10 an expert on this sort of stuff and perhaps a
11 designer or an engineer or something like that. Do
12 you have anybody that we might be able to lean on?
13 Because I've been -- I've actually got a call in to
14 Berkeley (phonetic), which has a nuclear engineering
15 --

16 MR. BRENNER: If it's, if it's totally
17 off the record --

18 (b)(6): Totally off the record.

19 MR. BRENNER: I can, I can probably put
20 somebody on the phone with you to help walk you
21 through some things. Otherwise, I would say call GE
22 and see if you can get one of their engineers.

23 (b)(6): We are, but they're
24 scrambling obviously. They've got, you know, --

25 MR. BRENNER: They're probably spending

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1 their days running simulations for the Japanese.

2 (b)(6) I spoke to actually a
3 woman who's actually the head of the, who's a direct
4 liaison with the Japanese company. She's dealing
5 with them on the phone every single moment. She
6 said that she's frankly too busy and thinking about
7 this stuff to, you know, in terms of safety of the
8 people there --

9 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

10 (b)(6): -- to think about anything
11 else. You know, all power to them. You know, I
12 understand completely. They just don't have time to
13 talk to us right now.

14 MR. BRENNER: Exactly. I'll see if I
15 can find a BWE, a BWR engineer that I can put on the
16 phone with you later.

17 (b)(6): That would be --

18 MR. BRENNER: As long as it's all off
19 the record.

20 (b)(6): Everything is all off the
21 record. It's fine. We just -- I mean, you know,
22 we'll source, you know, public documents. I don't
23 even care. We just need to make sure that we're
24 doing --

25 MR. BRENNER: I can, I can help you on

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1 that regard.

2 (b)(6): If I need to get in touch
3 with you again, I know you're really busy, but is
4 there a number, phone --

5 MR. BRENNER: Yes. I'm going to -- I'll
6 give you -- call my office.

7 (b)(6): Okay, go ahead.

8 MR. BRENNER: And, my office number is
9 301-415-8200. I'm going to have staff there through
10 about 7:00 p.m.

11 (b)(6): Okay.

12 MR. BRENNER: So, I would hope you're
13 done before that.

14 (b)(6): We're going to be done
15 before that. 8200, got it. And, what's your email?

16 MR. BRENNER: Email is E-L-I-O-T dot
17 BRENNER, B-R-E-N-N-E-R, @ NRC.gov.

18 (b)(6): Got it.

19 MR. BRENNER: And, give me --

20 (b)(6): Yes. Have you sent this
21 thing already to me or --

22 MR. BRENNER: No, no, no. It's embedded
23 in an email and I've got to go back and find the
24 particular document, pull it out, save it to this
25 side, and then send it to you.

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1 (b)(6): Okay. And, if you, again,
2 if you find an engineer, somebody you can get them
3 on the phone with me, that would be, like I said, we
4 would be eternally grateful.

5 MR. BRENNER: Good enough. I'll do
6 everything I can for you.

7 (b)(6): Thanks very much, Eliot.

8 MR. BRENNER: Sure.

9 (b)(6): Bye-bye.

10 MR. BRENNER: Bye.
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MR. PETERSON: Scott Peterson.

MR. BRENNER: Eliot Brenner.

MR. PETERSON: Hey! How are you?

MR. BRENNER: I'm having so much fun I can't stand it. You know, I got to tell you. This is so much easier than a plane crash.

MR. PETERSON: Yes.

MR. BRENNER: Because it unfolds so much more slowly.

MR. PETERSON: Yes, absolutely.

MR. BRENNER: But this will drag on forever.

MR. PETERSON: Yes, it will.

MR. BRENNER: Anyway, just thought I'd tag up with you, tell you what I'm doing. You can feel free to tell me what you're doing.

MR. PETERSON: Okay.

MR. BRENNER:

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(b)(5)

MR. PETERSON: Okay.

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1 MR. BRENNER: And, I've had a few off
2 the record conversations with (b)(6) and I shared
3 some, some GE Mark-1 containment schematics with the
4 (b)(6)

5 MR. PETERSON: Yes, we just put one of
6 those up on our website.

7 MR. BRENNER: Okay, yes. I put up --

8 MR. PETERSON: And, we labeled it, you
9 know, in terms of where the secondary containment
10 was --

11 MR. BRENNER: Okay, good. Good. That's
12 better than I can do. Actually, no, I think my
13 picture has -- we may even be using the same damn
14 picture. All I did was scrub out the names of every
15 plant in the country that's similar.

16 MR. PETERSON: Yes, I did the same.

17 MR. BRENNER: Which Ed Markey just
18 called us and said, "We want a list of all the
19 plants." And, my response to them was, "We're a
20 little busy. You know where the information digest
21 is, you can make your own list."

22 (Laughter.)

23 MR. PETERSON: Yes, it is.

24 MR. BRENNER: "I'm sorry, dude. You
25 want to make trouble, do your own (b)(6) research."

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1 We're having next to no communications
2 with NISA or JIS. I mean --

3 MR. PETERSON: Yes, I understand.

4 MR. BRENNER: And, TEPCO, you know,
5 they're putting out press releases, but -- and God
6 bless you if you can read them.

7 MR. PETERSON: Well, they just announced
8 that they're going to stop doing that.

9 MR. BRENNER: Oh!

10 MR. PETERSON: Because they don't,
11 quote, "They don't have the public relation staff to
12 do it."

13 MR. BRENNER: I got to tell you

14 (b)(5)

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17 (b)(5)

18 MR. PETERSON: Yes, METI?

19 MR. BRENNER: Yes, METI. And, we were
20 talking about earthquakes and communicating in
21 crisis and this is like a deja vu, man.

22 MR. PETERSON: Yes.

23 MR. BRENNER: So, I heard a piece of a
24 call with (b)(6) I want to say (b)(6) of INPO. I
25 may have the name screwed up.

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1 MR. PETERSON: (b)(6)

2 MR. BRENNER: (b)(6) in which he had
3 damn site more information than we did.

4 MR. PETERSON: Yes. So, yes, we have I
5 guess a source of WANO London that is TEPCO, and so
6 he's getting the best information that we've been
7 able to grab. You know, he's -- of course, we're
8 getting it early, and so, you know, that's always
9 the challenge.

10 So, I think, we're -- through WANO and
11 INPO and what we can gather, I think we've got a
12 pretty good information gathering system in place,
13 although, it's still really limited and somewhat
14 redundant.

15 MR. BRENNER: Right. And, ours (b)(6)

16 MR. PETERSON: So, you know, they're on
17 a call right now with them. I was on a call -- I
18 was on an Exelon Board call actually, and so they're
19 on the INPO call now, but when they get done with
20 that, if there's new information, I'll kick it over
21 to you.

22 MR. BRENNER: Okay, thanks. I
23 appreciate it. I'm going to be probably, you know,
24 more receiving information than giving information,
25 but anything you can share, I would appreciate it.

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3 which is in crisis mode.

4 MR. PETERSON: So, the interface, you
5 guys have an interface going on with the other
6 agencies?

7 MR. BRENNER: Yes. We're talking
8 regularly (b)(5) I
9 mean one thing that -- my boss is trying to lean as
10 far forward as he can, so who he can get out and be
11 a leader on domestic plant safety.

12 MR. PETERSON: Right.

13 MR. BRENNER: But without a platform,
14 it's a little difficult.

15 MR. PETERSON: Yes.

16 MR. BRENNER: And, I mean, he -- I'm
17 sure he'd love to go do it, and then let the White
18 House chew him out later, but I'm trying to restrain
19 him a little, --

20 MR. PETERSON: Okay.

21 MR. BRENNER: -- which probably (b)(6)
22 (b)(6)

23 MR. PETERSON: Probably.

24 MR. BRENNER: I just -- in a perfect
25 world, I'd have him out there talking about how

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1 safe, you know, strong and resilient American plants
2 are, but it's a little difficult since the Japanese
3 are involved.

4 MR. PETERSON: Yes. Are you guys using
5 essentially the same points I saw from Becky
6 Schmidt?

7 MR. BRENNER: Yes, yes. Actually, I'm
8 writing them. All the external communications are
9 coming out of my, my typewriter, the typewriter in
10 my office.

11 MR. PETERSON: Okay, good.

12 MR. BRENNER: So, we're, we are managing
13 message from my shop and it's the one set of talking
14 points and Q&A that the entire agency is working off
15 of.

16 MR. PETERSON: Okay. And, do you get
17 the NucNet updates as well?

18 MR. BRENNER: I'm not sure I do.

19 MR. PETERSON: Yes, I just got one of
20 those at 11:20 or something like that, and they seem
21 to -- they have -- they seem to have a good
22 information source somewhere, so I'll direct those
23 to you.

24 MR. BRENNER: Okay. That would be -- is
25 it something that I should subscribe to?

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1 MR. PETERSON: Yes, I think so. And, I
2 think you can just do it.

3 MR. BRENNER: Yes. If it's, if it's,
4 you know, like click here to subscribe, I'll do that
5 when you send the first one along.

6 MR. PETERSON: Okay.

7 MR. BRENNER: And, that's about all I
8 got.

9 MR. PETERSON: Okay. We're doing a
10 bunch of (indiscernible, possibly "media now". I'm
11 trying to position people on the Sunday show
12 tomorrow to get our point of view out there because
13 I know that the others will have, try to get their
14 point of view out.

15 MR. BRENNER: I'm stunned.

16 (Laughter.)

17 MR. BRENNER: I've got one request from
18 the (b)(5) but we've made
19 absolutely no decisions because I'm sure (b)(5)
20 (b)(5) going to want to control who's where.

21 MR. PETERSON: Yes.

22 MR. BRENNER: And, you know, if I, if I
23 find that we're going to be some place, I'll let you
24 know.

25 MR. PETERSON: Okay. I'll do likewise.

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1 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

2 MR. PETERSON: It'll be late afternoon
3 by the time I get to that.

4 MR. BRENNER: All right. Yes, why don't
5 we tag up a little later today and just trade notes?

6 MR. PETERSON: Okay.

7 MR. BRENNER: Have fun.

8 MR. PETERSON: All righty. If you need
9 anything, call my cell because I'm in the war room
10 here and I'm in that. I'm not in my office.

11 MR. BRENNER: Okay, good.

12 MR. PETERSON: Okay. Thanks, Eliot.

13 MR. BRENNER: Sure. Bye.

14 MR. PETERSON: Bye-bye.

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3 (b)(6): Hello.

4 MR. BRENNER: Yes, (b)(6),

5 please.

6 (b)(6): This is he.

7 MR. BRENNER: (b)(6), Eliot Brenner at the
8 Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

9 (b)(6): Hi! How are you?

10 MR. BRENNER: Pretty good. I got an
11 email that you were looking for a warm body for

12 (b)(6)

13 (b)(6): Yes.

14 MR. BRENNER: And, at the moment, I have
15 no warm bodies, but I will --

16 (b)(6): Okay.

17 MR. BRENNER: -- put you on the list if
18 I am in a position to provide warm bodies.

19 (b)(6): I understand. It looks
20 as if this piece that we're doing is most likely
21 going to be for (b)(6), but there's a
22 possibility that they might want it for tomorrow.

23 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

24 (b)(6): If it's for Monday, we
25 could do it on Monday morning. Do you think you'd

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1 have someone available by then?

2 MR. BRENNER: I might. You know, I
3 can't, can't really speculate that far in advance.
4 This is a little difficult since we're talking about
5 a situation involving a foreign government --

6 (b)(6): Sure.

7 MR. BRENNER: -- as opposed to a
8 domestic issue, although, we would be delighted to
9 offer reassurance to citizens about the domestic
10 preparedness.

11 (b)(6): Well, that's what we're
12 doing. We're doing -- our topic is, you know, are
13 our plants safe? Are our U.S. plants safe?

14 MR. BRENNER: Gee, what a novel idea. I
15 apologize if I sounded facetious.

16 (b)(6): Well, no. It sounded
17 like you were just saying that you thought we were
18 doing something that pertains to Japan, but it's --

19 MR. BRENNER: No, no, you're correct.
20 Initially, I thought that that's where you might be
21 headed. So, if we're in a position, I'd be
22 delighted to, to throw the Chairman your way.

23 (b)(6): Okay. Should we just --
24 are you going to be reachable over the weekend or --

25 MR. BRENNER: Oh, yes. Oh, yes. 301-

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1 415-8200, the main number. I'm staffing that about
2 12 hours a day, and the op center 24 hours a day,
3 but at night we'll check that phone regularly.

4 (b)(6): Do you mind if I ask you
5 -- you caught me with my hands full and I don't have
6 a pen in front of me at the moment.

7 MR. BRENNER: Give me --

8 (b)(6): Do you mind sending me an
9 email?

10 MR. BRENNER: No problem at all. Give
11 me your email.

12 (b)(6): Sure. It's my name.
13 It's (b)(6)

14 (b)(6)

15 MR. BRENNER: Right.

16 (b)(6): (b)(6), for (b)(6)
17 (b)(6)

18 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

19 (b)(6): So, (b)(6)

20 MR. BRENNER: I will send you the
21 contact stuff, and if we can do business, I look
22 forward to it.

23 (b)(6): Now, one other question.

24 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

25 (b)(6): We were interested in

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1 possibly doing some shooting at one of the nuclear
2 reactors in California either Diablo Canyon or San
3 Onofre. Would that have -- would that request have
4 to go through you as well?

5 MR. BRENNER: No, it would not. You
6 would have to take that through the corporate
7 owners.

8 (b)(6): Okay. So, whoever is
9 operating the plant, would handle that.

10 MR. BRENNER: Exactly.

11 (b)(6): Okay, very good.

12 MR. BRENNER: We are their government
13 overseer. We do not control access to privately
14 owned property.

15 (b)(6): Understood, okay. Well,
16 thank you again for the call. I'll just touch basis
17 with you a little further on in the weekend.

18 MR. BRENNER: Okay, great.

19 (b)(6): All right. Take care.

20 MR. BRENNER: Sure. Bye-bye.

21 (b)(6): Bye.

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3 MALE PARTICIPANT: Regulatory
4 Commission. This is a recorded line. May I help
5 you?

6 MR. BRENNER: Hey, it's Eliot Brenner.
7 I understand you needed me.

8 MALE PARTICIPANT: Yes, sir. I'm
9 setting up a conference between you, Basko
10 (phonetic), and the Chairman.

11 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

12 VOICE MAIL SYSTEM: This call may be
13 recorded. If you need the assistance of an
14 operations officer, press star zero. Transferring
15 to the management conference. After the tone,
16 please state your name and organization followed by
17 the pound key.

18 MR. BRENNER: Eliot Brenner.

19 MALE PARTICIPANT: Okay, great. Thanks.

20 MR. BRENNER: Eliot is on.

21 MALE PARTICIPANT: Hi, Eliot.

22 MALE PARTICIPANT: We're getting the
23 Chairman now.

24 MALE PARTICIPANT: Eliot?

25 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

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1 MALE PARTICIPANT: The boss just wanted
2 the three of us to chitchat. I'm on my way in. I'm
3 in the car.

4 MR. BRENNER: I'm sorry. That was
5 totally broken up.

6 MALE PARTICIPANT: The boss just wanted
7 the three of us to chat.

8 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

9 MALE PARTICIPANT: So, I'm in the car on
10 the way in.

11 MR. BRENNER: Okay. So, we should just
12 stay on the line.

13 MALE PARTICIPANT: Yes. They're going
14 to put him on in a moment.

15 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

16 (Pause.)

17 MR. BRENNER: Wow! Fox trailer says,
18 "Japanese red alert issued for nuclear reactor."

19 MALE PARTICIPANT: This is the HOO. The
20 Chairman is coming up now. Thank you.

21 MR. BRENNER: I'm on with the Chairman.

22 (Pause.)

23 MALE PARTICIPANT: Chairman, you are on
24 the line with Eliot Brenner and Josh Basko.

25 CHAIRMAN: Thank you.

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MR. BRENNER: Hey, boss.

CHAIRMAN: Hey, Eliot. How are you?

MR. BRENNER: All right.

CHAIRMAN: How are things on the news front?

MR. BRENNER: They're actually pretty good. It's just a steady flow of, "Gee, can we put somebody on television?" And, I've gotten a couple of little, "Can you help us under the table with some technical stuff" from (b)(6) We're doing okay and we're pumping stuff out on a reasonably regular basis.

CHAIRMAN: (b)(6) (phonetic) emailed me. He talked to (b)(6) and kind of pushed them to us. (b)(5)

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MR. BRENNER: (b)(6)

CHAIRMAN: Yes.

MR. BRENNER: Okay. All right. I've got his, I've got his contact stuff. So, anything that we need to get out that we can't get caught at I can use him.

CHAIRMAN: Yes.

MR. BRENNER: The stuff that (b)(6)

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1 was looking for was trying to talk to us about some
2 radiation readings at the plant, which I asked them
3 to just send me the stuff and I'll talk to somebody
4 off the record, and also to give them an engineer to
5 talk them through BWR so they understand the
6 mechanics of it.

7 CHAIRMAN: Good.

8 MR. BRENNER: That's easy to do. So,
9 other than that, I mean, we're just -- it's a slow
10 process here. (b)(5)

11 (b)(5)

12 CHAIRMAN: Yes. Did you get that
13 information to (b)(6)

14 MR. BRENNER: I did. I shared it with
15 (b)(6) and DOE and the, sort of the Federal, the
16 Federal Communication family with a caveat that this
17 was draft OUO. It was not for -- it was just for
18 educational purposes, not for any use. So, we are,
19 we are coordinating in the federal family.

20 CHAIRMAN: They were very pleased with
21 it, so I expect it to be the basis for use
22 information fairly soon.

23 MR. BRENNER: Yes, good, good. Now, we
24 ought to, we ought to talk about going forward and
25 what you know about their plans and whether we're

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1 going to do anything solo or what.

2 CHAIRMAN: I don't know at this point.

3 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

4 CHAIRMAN: The conversations were along
5 the lines of for now, it doesn't appear that we need
6 to do a lot of communication. It seems to -- the
7 news seems to be fairly responsible, so they weren't
8 planning to do the background briefing or things
9 like that.

10 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

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16 MR. BASKO: Eliot?

17 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

18 MR. BASKO: Eliot. Chairman, Becky's
19 kind of getting push back from her staff. I'm
20 learning more from CNN than I am from you.

21 CHAIRMAN: Well, what's your thought?

22 MR. BASKO: (b)(5)

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1 Eliot, what do you think?

2 MR. BRENNER: At some point, we have to
3 do it. I am trying to do it very subtly through the
4 website and the blog. And, I can increase that by,
5 you know, if you, if you look the other way, and let
6 me take a little bit of the stuff out of the Q&A I
7 can begin kind of slowly weaving that out there.

8 CHAIRMAN: Here's the thing. I'm not,
9 I'm not worried about NRC people.

10 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

11 CHAIRMAN: (b)(5)

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13 (b)(5)

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15 MR. BRENNER: I've heard nothing
16 inaccurate.

17 CHAIRMAN: Okay.

18 MR. BRENNER: What there is is a little
19 bit of a void about what is it we do in the United
20 States, how would we react.

21 CHAIRMAN: And, I think we, you know,

22 (b)(5)

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1 we do and here's why we do it, etc., etc., etc., but
2 I --

3 MR. BRENNER: And, the question is,
4 what's the -- at what point do we do that?

5 CHAIRMAN: Yes.

6 MR. BRENNER: The other thing I wanted
7 to give you a heads up on, and it's actually a Becky
8 issue, but it was brought to me. Markey's office
9 made a specific request for, "Give me a list of the
10 GE Mark-1 BWR plants," and you know where that's
11 going.

12 CHAIRMAN: I'm not providing that
13 response -- that right now.

14 MR. BRENNER: No. I told them to answer
15 that if they want to go through the info digest,
16 they're free to do that, but we're too busy.

17 CHAIRMAN: Yes, yes.

18 MR. BRENNER: But, you know where he's
19 going.

20 CHAIRMAN: And, did they ever send us
21 the letter?

22 MR. BASKO: Yes, they did.

23 CHAIRMAN: Okay. And, I told them quite
24 clearly we were going to be dealing with this issue,
25 we weren't going to be responding to letters for a

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1 long, long time.

2 MR. BRENNER: Amen.

3 CHAIRMAN: (b)(5)

4 (b)(5)

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6 MR. BRENNER: Yes. I'm sorry, I agree.

7 I was trying to read an email at the same time.

8 CHAIRMAN: And, as I said, I don't, you
9 know, this is why we're making the decisions because
10 we have to make the tough decisions and I don't
11 think right now going out with nobody is yet turning
12 to the U.S. plants. And, if you're getting that
13 from (b)(6), give him accurate information. You
14 know, I mean --

15 MR. BRENNER: Right. There are people I
16 trust.

17 CHAIRMAN: Yes.

18 MR. BRENNER: And, I will talk to people
19 I trust. The people I don't know, I'm not going to
20 talk to.

21 CHAIRMAN: Yes. And, we've put out
22 press releases. It is, it is a Japanese event, not
23 a U.S. event.

24 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

25 CHAIRMAN: So, there will be plenty of

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1 time to talk about the U.S., but there are -- you
2 know, and if anybody pushes back, we'll just tell
3 them, look, we talked about the U.S. plants, the
4 U.S. plants are fine. That was our first and
5 foremost priority.

6 MR. BRENNER: Exactly.

7 CHAIRMAN: Now, we're here to offer
8 assistants in Japan. Beyond that, we will have to
9 wait for good and accurate information.

10 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

11 CHAIRMAN: So, yes, I mean, I'm
12 comfortable. (b)(5)

13 (b)(5)

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16 (b)(5)

17 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

18 CHAIRMAN: Are you going to be
19 comfortable with us going out and starting to say,
20 here's what we, as the NRC, do?

21 MR. BRENNER: Right. Along those lines,
22 just as a heads up for you, we've got an NBC Evening
23 News request for what is it we do in the United
24 States? That's not for until either tomorrow night
25 or Monday night.

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CHAIRMAN: Okay.

MR. BRENNER: Something that we ought to keep in our hip pocket.

CHAIRMAN: (b)(5)

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MR. BRENNER: Okay, I will, I will do that.

CHAIRMAN: I think it's okay -- I think

(b)(5)

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MR. BRENNER: Right.

CHAIRMAN: -- so I think if we're

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

MR. BRENNER: Yes, exactly. So, that's all I know. Are you coming in here?

CHAIRMAN: I don't think I am because I think there may be value in me staying down here.

MR. BRENNER: Okay. Are you in the remote location?

CHAIRMAN: No, I'm in the home location.

MR. BRENNER: Oh, okay.

(b)(5)

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3 CHAIRMAN: So -- but, you know, bottom
4 line, this event is not over as far as I know.

5 MR. BRENNER: No, it's not over as far
6 as I can tell. I mean, I haven't seen the Japanese
7 come out and say, all clear.

8 CHAIRMAN: So, you know, do what you --

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12 MR. BRENNER: Yes, I'm very comfortable
13 right now. It's, it's nothing we can't deal with.

14 CHAIRMAN: Okay, good.

15 MR. BASKO: And just to amplify that. I
16 mean, he's got a lot of good value. We got the
17 press release out this morning, so, you know, it's
18 not like we've been mute, you know, so.

19 CHAIRMAN: Okay. Well, you know, I

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23 MR. BRENNER: Yes, yes, that's kind of
24 the natural progression.

25 CHAIRMAN: Yes. As I said, that came up

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1 on the call and -- or I mean in the meeting this
2 morning and they were getting prepared to begin to
3 deal with that.

4 MR. BRENNER: Which I think is where our
5 Q&A will -

6 CHAIRMAN: Yes.

7 MR. BRENNER: -- come in handy.

8 CHAIRMAN: And, they were basically --

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16 MR. BRENNER: Yes. I wonder who the
17 shows are going to put up, all the usual talking
18 heads.

19 CHAIRMAN: Yes. They said it'll
20 probably be a lot of live reporters and a couple of
21 kind of, you know, experts, and then that kind of
22 thing.

23 MR. BRENNER: Yes, okay. All right.
24 Well, if I get anything, I'll keep you posted.

25 CHAIRMAN: Okay, yes. And, if we need

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1 to, if we need to accelerate, let me know, --

2 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

3 CHAIRMAN: -- and we'll do that, but I
4 think we're in pretty good shape to do it if we need
5 to.

6 MR. BRENNER:

(b)(5)

7 (b)(5)

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9 CHAIRMAN: And, let's get working on it
10 and keep getting more and more background and
11 factual stuff because we want to try and stay ahead
12 of the questions because they'll get more -- you
13 know, we give them that level, they're going to want
14 more detail.

15 How many BWRs are there in the United
16 States? How many, you know, how many sites have
17 earthquakes more than, you know -- do any sites have
18 earthquakes of an 8.9 magnitude? So, let's keep
19 pushing on everybody to keep pulsing and getting
20 deeper and deeper into the information.

21 MR. BRENNER: Okay, good.

22 CHAIRMAN: Okay. Thanks.

23 Josh, can you relay that to Marty
24 (phonetic)?

25 MR. BASKO: Yes, I'll do so.

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1 CHAIRMAN: It'll also keep them with
2 something to do.

3 MR. BASKO: Okay.

4 CHAIRMAN: Okay. Thanks, everybody.

5 MR. BRENNER: Okay, good.

6 MR. BASKO: Thank you. Bye.

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10 BRENDA: Public Affairs.

11 MR. BRENNER: Brenda. I need a favor,
12 please, ma'am.

13 BRENDA: Okay. Can you hold one second
14 for me, Eliot?

15 MR. BRENNER: But of course, my dear.

16 BRENDA: Thank you.

17 (Pause.)

18 MR. BRENNER: John was just repeating
19 back a conversation that Josh had with Marty. What
20 I'll do is I'll think up a few more questions and
21 you can throw it in --

22 BRENDA: Yes, sir. What can I do for
23 you?

24 MR. BRENNER: I need you to go into my
25 office and to the right of my computer are the

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1 business cards that float around. And, there are
2 two of them there. One of them is a, is a, the
3 American Nuclear Society. It's a woman's card.

4 And, with it is a -- if you hold it in
5 your hand, it's horizontal. There's one that's
6 vertical. It's kind of a buff-colored paper of a
7 guy here in Washington, who's associated with ANS.
8 I need the names, numbers, and emails. And, if you
9 could just send them to me by email --

10 BRENDA: Sure.

11 MR. BRENNER: To Beth.

12 BRENDA: To Beth or to you or both?

13 MR. BRENNER: Both. Hang on.

14 (Pause.)

15 MR. BRENNER: Tell you -- just tell him
16 to call back in a minute.

17 And, if you'd send it, send it to the,
18 the -- me, Holly, and Beth.

19 BRENDA: Okay.

20 MR. BRENNER: And, that would be a help.

21 BRENDA: Okay.

22 MR. BRENNER: Thank you, dear.

23 BRENDA: Not a problem.

24 MR. BRENNER: Bye-bye.

25 BRENDA: Bye.
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MR. BRENNER: And, should I take a position?

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: What do you mean?

MR. BRENNER: Oh.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yes. I mean (b)(5)
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MR. BRENNER: That's like the (b)(6)
labs are trying to recruit business.

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3 MR. BRENNER: No, it just tells me that
4 the 703 number I'm calling Caronas (phonetic) on is
5 long distance. (b)(6)

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8 JEFF: Hello.

9 MR. BRENNER: Jeff.

10 JEFF: Yes.

11 MR. BRENNER: Eliot Brenner.

12 JEFF: Oh, hi, Eliot.

13 MR. BRENNER: Are we having fun?

14 JEFF: Oh, boy.

15 MR. BRENNER: Holly told me you wanted
16 to talk.

17 JEFF: Well, my guy sent me some things
18 that CDC is, or is initiating this thing, and HHS
19 about having a thing stood up with EPA and all that.

20 I think the problem is they're not getting
21 anything, or EPA didn't give anything to their
22 subordinate people, and I don't even know why.

23 I mean I just, I just have civil basic
24 emails that I've seen from people. And, I passed on
25 to Chad that, or my staff, that, you know, the

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4 MR. BRENNER: Yes, yes. I mean these
5 guys ought to be talking to somebody over (b)(5)

6 (b)(5)

7 JEFF: Right. And, so that's what we
8 sent them on to do. I just wanted you to do know.

9 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

10 JEFF: Because --

11 MR. BRENNER: I appreciate that.

12 JEFF: I saw Holly had wanted to change
13 and --

14 MR. BRENNER: Yes, it doesn't take much
15 to unload that spring.

16 JEFF: Right. And, I said, "Refer,
17 refer the CDC and HHS people (b)(5)

18 (b)(5) And, you know, if there's issues that the
19 states want to know -- I mean I guess the states can
20 say anything they want at this time, but -- I mean -
21 -

22 (Pause.)

23 MR. BRENNER: Sorry, I was looking at an
24 email here that, (b)(5) An
25 additional line for DOE for use on background. No

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1 indication whatsoever that materials from the
2 incidents in Japan have the potential to have any
3 meaningful effect on the homeland.

4 JEFF: Yes, something happened there.

5 MR. BRENNER: Ratcheting them back.

6 JEFF: Yes. So, anyway, I don't know
7 where we dropped off there, but I passed on to them,
8 and then Chad sent an email over to EPA and -

9 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

10 JEFF: -- (b)(5)

11 (b)(5)

But I

12 guess the question is, you know, what Chad was
13 saying some of the states are going to be putting
14 out their own information now.

15 MR. BRENNER: Well, there's not a whole
16 lot hell we can do about that.

17 JEFF: Right. They're going to do what
18 they're going to do either way.

19 MR. BRENNER: Right.

(b)(5)

20 (b)(5)

21 JEFF: Correct.

22 MR. BRENNER: So, you know, it's
23 probably they feel they have to do something. Now I
24 was just having a conversation with our Chairman and
25 the story is ultimately going to turn to, all right,

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1 what about the United States? And, that may give it
2 some impetus for us as a domestic organization, and
3 I'm meaning us within the federal family, --

4 JEFF: Right.

5 MR. BRENNER: -- to begin addressing
6 domestic issues. So, anyway, I just called you
7 because Holly said, "Call Jeff."

8 JEFF: Yes. Well, is this situation
9 getting better or worse or about the same?

10 MR. BRENNER: It's about the same. Oh,
11 you mean the plant?

12 JEFF: Yes.

13 MR. BRENNER: The plant situation
14 actually looks like it might be a little better. I
15 can't say that definitively, but I haven't seen
16 anything lately saying it's getting any worse.

17 JEFF: Right. And, not to put you on
18 the spot, I mean, you don't see a cloud coming over
19 6,000 miles, do you?

20 MR. BRENNER: No.

21 JEFF: Okay. That was what your staff
22 had told me this morning, and that's kind of what I
23 believed too, so.

24 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

25 JEFF: Okay. Well, let me, you know, --

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1 MR. BRENNER: John, we already had that
2 conversation.

3 JEFF: Yes, and I think (b)(5)
4 (b)(5) have EPA start putting out basic
5 stuff, that's their decision, not ours, correct? I
6 mean that's the way --

7 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

8 JEFF: -- we understand it. Okay.

9 MR. BRENNER: All right. Have a nice
10 afternoon.

11 JEFF: Okay. You too, Eliot. Good luck
12 with everything.

13 MR. BRENNER: Thank you. Bye-bye.
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MR. BRENNER: Public Affairs.

MALE PARTICIPANT: This will be admin AV Services on the line to talk to Public Affairs.

MR. BRENNER: Okay.

Hello.

MS. SCHMANN (phonetic): Hello.

MR. BRENNER: Eliot Brenner.

MS. SCHMANN: Hi, Eliot. This is Sandy Schmann, Deputy Director in the Division of Administrative Services.

MR. BRENNER: Yes.

MS. SCHMANN: I understand that you had wanted someone to come in and take video of the op center and some fill pictures.

MR. BRENNER: Yes.

MS. SCHMANN: Okay. I have two people that are in route there and they're contractors for us. One is Matt --

MR. BRENNER: I know Matt.

MS. SCHMANN: Okay. One is Matt, and the other is a Felix, and I don't know Felix's last name.

MR. BRENNER: Okay.

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1 MS. SCHMANN: And, they -- they're in
2 route. I'm not sure exactly how long it'll take,
3 but they were heading there right now, okay?

4 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

5 MS. SCHMANN: And, I told them just to
6 go there and find out what you really want.

7 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

8 MS. SCHMANN: Okay?

9 MR. BRENNER: Good enough.

10 MS. SCHMANN: Okay. Thanks a lot. Do
11 you have any idea how long you think you'll want --

12 MR. BRENNER: Oh, I can probably turn
13 them lose about 5:00 or 6:00, but I'm going to want
14 to look at some of their products.

15 MS. SCHMANN: Yes. Okay, sounds good.

16 MR. BRENNER: Thank you.

17 MS. SCHMANN: Thank you very much.

18 MR. BRENNER: Bye-bye.

19 MS. SCHMANN: Bye-bye.
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3 (b)(6) : (b)(6)

4 MR. BRENNER: (b)(6) It's Eliot
5 Brenner at the NRC.

6 (b)(6) : Hey. How are you?

7 MR. BRENNER: Pretty good. Thank you
8 for sharing that material with me. But, assuming
9 this entire conversation is off the record?

10 (b)(6) : Yes.

11 MR. BRENNER: Okay. Our guys have taken
12 a look at this and you should not get excited by any
13 of it.

14 (b)(6) : We actually -- we talked
15 to AM (phonetic), an expert, and said that this is
16 not a big deal. It's --

17 MR. BRENNER: Yes, exactly, exactly.
18 Small increase above background, minor, short
19 duration, representing probably paralleling ventin
20 (phonetic).

21 (b)(6) : Yes, that's --

22 MR. BRENNER: Okay. All right.

23 (b)(6) : We actually -- or we
24 talked to the health science, nuclear science health
25 scientists at the NEI -

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1 MR. BRENNER: Okay, good.

2 (b)(6): -- who explained this to
3 us. And, he said that this is very low level stuff
4 and it's, you know, it's no big deal. It'd probably
5 have to be, you know, 1,000 times higher for people
6 to start to have to worry.

7 MR. BRENNER: Yes. It's 1,000 times an
8 infinitesimally small number.

9 (b)(6): Right. So, we understand
10 that, so -- but, actually, the reason I passed this
11 on to you, is we've already talked to the source,
12 but --

13 MR. BRENNER: Okay. Well, I'm trying
14 to be helpful now.

15 (b)(6): No, no, I really
16 appreciate that. We're just -- I just thought you'd
17 want to see numbers because, I mean, it tells you --
18 I mean something I guess you guys didn't have --

19 MR. BRENNER: Yes. I mean, hey, I
20 don't, I don't -- I can't understand this stuff. I
21 handed it to the, the health physics guy and they
22 go, "Hey, what's the problem?"

23 (b)(6): Yes. No, that's kind of
24 what we got. It's like it's not a big deal.

25 MR. BRENNER: Yes. Now, I can get you a

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1 BWR engineer to help you with the schematic off the
2 record if you want.

3 (b)(6): Sure. What I'd like to do
4 is get somebody who can vet what we're doing. I'm
5 actually trying to write this up right now and we're
6 trying --

7 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

8 (b)(6): -- to get this up on the
9 web in the next 45 minutes or so.

10 MR. BRENNER: All right. Just show it
11 to me and I'll have somebody look at it and tell you
12 if you've got anything grossly long.

13 (b)(6): That would be great.

14 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

15 (b)(6): Thank you very much.

16 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

17 (b)(6): Bye-bye.

18 MR. BRENNER: Bye-bye.

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3 (b)(6): (b)(6). I'm sorry

4 I missed your call. Please leave a message.

5 MR. BRENNER: Hey, (b)(6). Eliot Brenner
6 at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. Call me at
7 301-816-5107. I've got some minor refinements that
8 I would suggest you make.

9 Thanks. Bye.

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3 MR. BRENNER: (b)(6)

4 (b)(6): Hey.

5 MR. BRENNER: How are you?

6 (b)(6): I'm good.

7 MR. BRENNER: Have you -- I knew it was
8 you because the (b)(6) --

9 (b)(6): (b)(6) --

10 MR. BRENNER: Yes, you got it.
11 Sometimes (b)(6) comes up as a zero.

12 (b)(6): I will not tell him that
13 you said that.

14 (Laughter.)

15 MR. BRENNER: Okay. Pull your text up
16 on the screen.

17 (b)(6): I got it.

18 MR. BRENNER: First item, reactor at a
19 glance. Second sentence, "It is a boiling water
20 power reactor." And, instead of built by, designed
21 by.

22 (b)(6): Okay, designed by, got it,
23 by GE.

24 MR. BRENNER: Then go down to the torus,
25 donut-shaped ring around the base of the reactor

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1 containment, --

2 (b)(6): Okay.

3 MR. BRENNER: -- comma.

4 (b)(6): On the base of the reactor
5 containment, got it.

6 MR. BRENNER: Right, because there's a
7 technical difference between the reactor and, and
8 the torus.

9 (b)(6): Right. I understand that.

10 MR. BRENNER: Okay. Now, at the next to
11 last word, release. I believe you want relieve.

12 (b)(6): Release, yes. You're
13 right, relieved.

14 MR. BRENNER: Yes, just make a track.
15 Now, spent fuel pool. Spent fuel rods are often
16 stored for, and then I would substitute up to five
17 years --

18 (b)(6): Okay.

19 MR. BRENNER: -- in this pool, singular.

20 (b)(6): In this pool.

21 MR. BRENNER: This pool of water within
22 the, and then instead of facility, I would write,
23 secondary containment building.

24 (b)(6): Secondary containment
25 building, got it.

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1 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

2 (b)(6) It looks like they had
3 the, high, higher up, yes.

4 MR. BRENNER: Okay. Now, last sentence
5 under, "What can go wrong?" I'm going to parse what
6 you written a little bit. I'm going to help, and in
7 doing so, I'm not confirming what might have had
8 happened there, but I am, I am giving you a very
9 strong hint, okay?

10 (b)(6): Okay.

11 MR. BRENNER: All right. If too much
12 pressure builds up in the reactor and cannot be, use
13 the word, "relieved" into the torus, comma, --

14 (b)(6): Right.

15 MR. BRENNER: -- then get rid of all the
16 rest and substitute the following:

17 (b)(6): Yes.

18 MR. BRENNER: "Rapid venting of excess
19 pressure from the torus may cause damage to the
20 secondary containment structure."

21 (b)(6): Okay.

22 MR. BRENNER: Just basically if you're
23 venting too fast, --

24 (b)(6): It builds up pressure, and
25 then --

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1 MR. BRENNER: -- it builds up pressure
2 in secondary containment and it's got a weak
3 section, the roof is the weak part.

4 (b)(6): Right, we can see that.
5 It's basically not much --

6 MR. BRENNER: Exactly. And, actually,
7 there are what you would call "blowout plugs" in the
8 roof in case pressure rises. And, if pressure rises
9 too rapidly, those plugs can't move air fast enough
10 and the roof goes.

11 (b)(6): I saw something from the
12 Japanese thing that the, the pressure had gone from
13 400-something to 840 in a short period of time just
14 before the explosion.

15 MR. BRENNER: I'm sorry. What were the
16 two numbers?

17 (b)(6): Four hundred to eight
18 hundred and forty, I believe, in terms of like some
19 sort of like measurement of PSI.

20 MR. BRENNER: Probably PSI. That's
21 pretty (b)(6) high.

22 (b)(6): Yes.

23 MR. BRENNER: Pardon my French. And,
24 that's not for attribution.

25 (Laughter.)

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1 (b)(6): Hey, don't worry, none of
2 this is going in with your name or anyone --

3 MR. BRENNER: Yes, yes, yes. I just
4 want to -- I want to keep you guys -- make sure you
5 got the best information.

6 (b)(6): Rapid venting of excess
7 pressure from the tower may cause damage to the
8 secondary containment structure.

9 MR. BRENNER: Right. Now, I heard you
10 say, "torus" -- I heard you say, "tower," not torus.

11 (b)(6): Oh, torus, I'm sorry.
12 Relieved into the torus, rapid venting of excess
13 pressure from the tower, from the torus, excuse me,
14 sorry, --

15 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

16 (b)(6) -- torus, I can't read my
17 own writing, may cause damage to the secondary
18 containment structure.

19 MR. BRENNER: You got it.

20 (b)(6): Now, we added one other
21 thing. The dispense seal does not remain covered by
22 wood or it can begin to heave up and melt down just
23 as if it were still in the reactor. That's another
24 element of what may go wrong. Because Matt is
25 saying that one of the issues they're having right

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1 now is just that the pool itself, the spent fuel is
2 in danger eventually of becoming uncovered.

3 MR. BRENNER: Eventually.

4 (b)(6): Yes. He said it's going
5 to take some days at least.

6 MR. BRENNER: Right. That's, you know,
7 not a -- that's something that can be attended to
8 down the road.

9 (b)(6): Right. I mean, he said
10 you can run a fire hose over the --

11 MR. BRENNER: Right. I mean, hell, you
12 (b)(6) on the (b)(6) hing.
13 (Laughter.)

14 MR. BRENNER: We have a system in this
15 country that we call, "B5B," but its shorthand for
16 backup measures that you can use to provide coolant
17 or firefighting or whatever. And, quite literally,
18 you can run a garden hose to a spent fuel pool and
19 just keep topping it off.

20 (b)(6): I was talking to a nuclear
21 engineer yesterday, and she said that, you know,
22 "Spent fuel pools are usually so stable that, you
23 know, that people walk over to them without even
24 thinking about it." I mean, there's -- like some
25 sort of a, you know, a walkway on top of these

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1 things.

2 MR. BRENNER: Yes, there are -- there's
3 a catwalk around most spent fuel pools.

4 (b)(6) Yes. People walk around
5 them and they don't even think about it.

6 MR. BRENNER: I do it all the time when
7 I'm at a plant.

8 (b)(6) Yes. She said, "They're
9 completely stable. It's no big deal."

10 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

11 (b)(6) So, I mean, you know, she
12 made the same point that essentially these things
13 are very easy to maintain as long as you have the
14 water or whatever --

15 MR. BRENNER: Yes, you got it. So, I
16 think you're going to have probably the best graphic
17 anybody's has got.

18 (b)(6): I hope so. We always aim
19 to do that.

20 (Laughter.)

21 (b)(6): Eliot, thank you. I may
22 have other additional questions. You'll be there
23 for a little while I'm assuming.

24 MR. BRENNER: I will be around probably
25 till 5:00 or 6:00, and if I'm not here, other people

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1 from my office are here and I will let them know
2 that it's safe to talk with you because everything
3 is off the record.

4 (b)(6) (b): Yes. Great. Thank you
5 very much.

6 MR. BRENNER: All right, (b)(6) take
7 care.

8 (b)(6): Bye-bye.

9 MR. BRENNER: Bye-bye.

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MALE PARTICIPANT: I got it, but I just
-- we didn't, don't know who it is and --

VOICE MAIL SYSTEM: United States
Department of Energy telephone switchboard is closed
at this time. Our hours of operation are 7:00 a.m.
to 7:00 p.m., Eastern Time, Monday through Friday.
If you have an emergency --

MR. BRENNER: So they may have been
calling through the switchboard and that's why it
showed up.

MALE PARTICIPANT: Right.

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3 LAURA: NRC Public Affairs. This is
4 Laura.

5 MR. BRENNER: This is Eliot.

6 LAURA: Well, hello, sir. I was
7 supposed to call the op center and tell them to
8 start calling you. This came into the op center.
9 Are you in the op center right now?

10 MR. BRENNER: I am where I've been since
11 5:00.

12 LAURA: 5:00 a.m.?

13 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

14 LAURA: Because of what's going on
15 obviously with us losing -- well, not us, but them
16 losing --

17 MR. BRENNER: Yes. I was, I was called
18 about 4:00. I went to bed about midnight. I was
19 called about 4:00.

20 LAURA: Poor thing.

21 MR. BRENNER: Yes, well, that's all
22 right. It's what comes with the territory.

23 LAURA: Yes. Do we have a paper working
24 right now, some kind of Q&A or Public Affairs --

25 MR. BRENNER: We have some Q&A. It is

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1 been --

2 LAURA: Okay.

3 MR. BRENNER: -- developed for the
4 Chairman's benefit, and shared --

5 LAURA: Okay, because --

6 MR. BRENNER: -- shared with (b)(5)

7 (b)(5)

8 LAURA: I see. Is that something that I
9 could look at?

10 MR. BRENNER: You can look at it, but
11 you can't use it.

12 LAURA: Okay. That's good to know
13 because people were asking, and the reason I didn't
14 even know about it, so I'm not going to share --

15 MR. BRENNER: The reason you didn't know

16 (b)(5)

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23 LAURA: Division director.

24 MR. BRENNER: Yes. Well, I ain't going
25 to let it go that far.

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1 LAURA: Okay. No, that's fine. I guess
2 we got a call they had earlier today and they told
3 me about this one coming up at 2:30 with the, the
4 technical group because it's shared with the line if
5 I wanted to listen in and stay --

6 MR. BRENNER: Go ahead and listen in.

7 LAURA: Yes, I will.

8 MR. BRENNER: I'm going to be around,
9 but I'm not going to get down there. See, they're
10 going to get down at all kinds of level of detail
11 that I don't give a (b)(6) about.

12 LAURA: Okay. Well, I'm going to be
13 sending up to Andie Tamer (phonetic). You know
14 Andie Tamer. She's our seismic guru there at
15 headquarters. She had reached out to us and offered
16 to help us start the plan, so I need to run -- I'm
17 heading to my --

18 MR. BRENNER: Oh, that's right. We need
19 to see that.

20 LAURA: Yes. I'm -- so what I'll do is
21 I'm going to submit to her, you, and who else?
22 Holly and Scott?

23 MR. BRENNER: Yes, and Beth.

24 LAURA: Okay.

25 MR. BRENNER: All right.

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1 LAURA: I was about to go there and send
2 it to you all now so that they can see it, and then
3 she's going to weigh in for us on some of the
4 seismic issues.

5 MR. BRENNER: Okay. Thank you, ma'am.

6 LAURA: Were you calling me for anything
7 else?

8 MR. BRENNER: No.

9 LAURA: Okay.

10 MR. BRENNER: Bye.

11 LAURA: I'm available all weekend, --

12 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

13 LAURA: -- so keep me posted. Okay.

14 MR. BRENNER: Bye.

15 LAURA: Thanks. Bye-bye.

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3 (b)(6) (phonetic): Hello.

4 MR. BRENNER: (b)(6) please.

5 (b)(6) This is she.

6 MR. BRENNER: Eliot Brenner at the
7 Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

8 (b)(6): Hey! How are you, Eliot?

9 MR. BRENNER: Well, vertical.

10 (Laughter.)

11 (b)(6): That's good.

12 MR. BRENNER: After all these days,
13 that's a pretty good sign.

14 (b)(6): Yes.

15 MR. BRENNER: I'm losing track of time.
16 I'm not sure I can get you in here. If I can, I
17 will.

18 (b)(6): Okay. I understand it's a
19 very sensitive time.

20 MR. BRENNER: Yes, it is, but I am, I'm
21 having some -- our AV staff shoot some B-roll up
22 here.

23 (b)(6): Okay.

24 MR. BRENNER: Can you use it?

25 (b)(6): Well, yes. Give us

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1 anything. We've got (b)(6). It's highly unlikely if
2 you give us something like this, it won't get used.

3 MR. BRENNER: All right. How would I
4 get it to you?

5 (b)(6): Let me -- hold on. I'm not
6 good at these things. Let me put --

7 MR. BRENNER: Me neither.

8 (b)(6): Let me put you on hold.
9 And, may I get someone from the desk to speak with
10 you?

11 MR. BRENNER: You absolutely can.

12 (b)(6) Okay. Hold on.

13 (Pause.)

14 (b)(6): Eliot?

15 MR. BRENNER: Yes, ma'am.

16 (b)(6): Hey! (b)(6)

17 (phonetic) is on with me.

18 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

19 (b)(6): Yes, sir.

20 MR. BRENNER: Question is how -- we're
21 getting some stuff shot internally, and they can --
22 they tell me they're making it in 1080, but they can
23 cut it down to, what is it, 7-something or other.

24 (b)(6): So, you have it in a digital
25 file?

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1 MR. BRENNER: Yes. My question is how
2 can we deliver this to you?

3 (b)(6): Is it something you want to
4 burn to pick up, burn to a DVD or something or would
5 you like --

6 MR. BRENNER: I'll tell you what.

7 (b)(6): Would you prefer to FTP it to
8 us or what?

9 MR. BRENNER: That's, that's an
10 interesting question. I'm going to -- bear with me.
11 I'm going to put the phone down a second. The kid
12 who's shooting this stuff for me is on the other
13 side of the glass, and he knows this stuff better
14 than I do. Let me go ask him a question about what
15 mechanisms he can produce it in.

16 (b)(6): Okay.

17 MR. BRENNER: All right. Stand by.

18 (b)(6): Thanks, Gil.

19 (b)(6): No problem.

20 (b)(6): I figure, you know, that (b)
21 will use it, someone will use it.

22 (Pause.)

23 MR. BRENNER: Where's the number? How
24 do I get --

25 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: You hit hold. If

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1 you hit hold again, you should be back I think.

2 MR. BRENNER: Hey, is (b)(6) on? Hello?

3 (No response.)

4 MR. BRENNER: Is there any way we could
5 send it electronically?

6 (b)(6): Hello.

7 MR. BRENNER: Lisa, it's Eliot.

8 (b)(6): Oh, hi, Eliot.

9 MR. BRENNER: I apologize. I probably
10 screwed the call.

11 (b)(6): Hold on. Hold on. Hold on.

12 MR. BRENNER: Sure.

13 (Pause.)

14 (b)(6): It's Eliot?

15 MR. BRENNER: Yes, it is.

16 (b)(6): (b)(6)

17 (b)(6) (phonetic): Oh, okay.

18 Sorry. I dropped the other call. I'm sorry.

19 MR. BRENNER: That's fine. And, I
20 probably screwed up putting the call on hold. Does
21 the phrase DVCAM register with you?

22 (b)(6): Yes. You see the DVCAM.

23 MR. BRENNER: You can take it that way?

24 (b)(6): So, you'll have a DV tape
25 of it or -- I mean --

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1 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

2 (b)(6): I would think you'd want
3 to keep the original.

4 MR. BRENNER: Tape, right? Yes, our AV
5 guy can make, make a tape, edit it down, and make
6 copies.

7 (b)(6): Okay. If he sends us a
8 DVCAM, we can handle that.

9 MR. BRENNER: All right. Now, what I'll
10 do is I will call you guys back as soon as I've got
11 a copy so that you can come up and I can meet -- I
12 or somebody can meet you out at the, at the gate.

13 (b)(6): Okay. You want to, you
14 want to call me directly here at the desk and I can
15 dispatch that personally?

16 MR. BRENNER: That's fine. Give me your
17 number.

18 (b)(6): (b)(6)

19 MR. BRENNER: (b)(6)

20 (b)(6): And, it's (b)(6)

21 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

22 (b)(6): And, Eliot, do you have any
23 clue whether the Chairman is going to be doing any
24 interviews tomorrow?

25 MR. BRENNER: No. Right now, we're not.

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1 And, I've been talking to somebody from (b)(6)

2 (b)(6): Yes, (b)(6)

3 MR. BRENNER: Yes. I -

4 (b)(6): He's my -- he's working with
5 me.

6 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

7 (b)(6): We're one in the same.

8 MR. BRENNER: Okay. Joined at the hip
9 as most TV people and their producers are. I will
10 stay in touch. If we do anything, I'd like to start
11 with you guys. I can't guarantee it.

12 (b)(6): Okay.

13 MR. BRENNER: I got to talk to (b)(5)
14 (b)(6) and see what they want to do.

15 (b)(6): Okay. And, our questions
16 would, would have to do with here. What are the
17 lessons for this country? And, you know, do we have
18 any concerns in the aftermath of what's happened
19 there of additional steps we may need to take?

20 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

21 (b)(6): Those kinds of things.

22 MR. BRENNER: Yes, it's kind of natural.
23 It's the --

24 (b)(6): Yes, not asking you to opine
25 about Japan, just about the situation here.

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1 MR. BRENNER: Stand by just a second.

2 (b)(6) You bet.

3 (Pause.)

4 (b)(6): (b)(6), do you want me to
5 stay on or --

6 (b)(6): I've kind of figured that
7 out whether -- are you all square on your -- getting
8 this tape?

9 (b)(6): Yes, it's a DV tape, so I
10 -- yes, I can -- yes, if I can, if I can get that
11 source, we can make it out.

12 MR. BRENNER: I apologize. I have got
13 to talk -- take another call.

14 (b)(6): That's fine. Do you all
15 have each other's numbers if you need to in terms of
16 getting this tape?

17 (b)(6): Yes, we do.

18 MR. BRENNER: Yes, yes.

19 (b)(6): Okay. All right.

20 MR. BRENNER: I need to talk with the
21 Chairman about whether he wants me to let this stuff
22 out. And, I apologize, but I got to talk to the
23 boss.

24 (b)(6): Of course.

25 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

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(b)(6): Of course. Just let us

know.

MR. BRENNER: Sure.

(b)(6): Thanks, Eliot.

MR. BRENNER: Bye-bye.

(b)(6): Bye.

MR. BOHANNON: Thank you. Bye-bye.

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JIM: Hello.

MR. BRENNER: Hey, Jim. It's Eliot.

JIM: Hey, Eliot. How are you?

MR. BRENNER: Yes. And you?

JIM: Good. A little tired, but --

MR. BRENNER: Yes, yes, yes. It's, you know, it happens. Hey, you're a young man. You can't tell me you're tired. (b)(6)

(Laughter.)

MR. BRENNER: Josh told me your concern.

JIM: Oh, actually, I didn't really have a concern. I just wanted an -- any sense.

MR. BRENNER: Oh, oh, oh. No, media is fine.

JIM: Okay, good.

MR. BRENNER: All is quiet on the western front --

JIM: Good.

MR. BRENNER: -- relatively speaking.

JIM: Good.

MR. BRENNER: (b)(5)

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1 (b)(5)

2 JIM: Okay.

3 MR. BRENNER: I've got somebody shooting
4 it now.

5 JIM: Okay, great.

6 MR. BRENNER: Frankly, I mean, it would
7 raise our visibility --

8 JIM: Okay.

9 MR. BRENNER: -- without giving away
10 anything.

11 JIM: Okay. Okay.

12 MR. BRENNER: It's good for the agency.
13 Now, what I will do is I will send a note over to
14 the guy (b)(5) --

15 JIM: Okay.

16 MR. BRENNER: -- and just say, I want to
17 let you know we're making available B-roll of our op
18 center.

19 JIM: Okay, good. Perfect.

20 MR. BRENNER: And, I'll give them, you
21 know, 90 seconds to object, and then hand it out.

22 JIM: Good. Perfect.

23 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

24 JIM: Did -- and the press release, did
25 we -- and this isn't meant to be a sense that I'd be

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1 worried if the answer is no, but just out of
2 curiosity, did we coordinate that release (b)(5)

3 (b)(5)?

4 MR. BRENNER: We showed it to them after
5 the fact.

6 JIM: Okay.

7 MR. BRENNER: We were a little behind in
8 that. (b)(5)

9 JIM: Okay.

10 MR. BRENNER: -- (b)(5)

11 (b)(5)

12 JIM: Okay.

13 MR. BRENNER: And, they wanted it
14 wrapped inside the, what is DOE big government
15 picture, understand it entirely.

16 JIM: Okay.

17 MR. BRENNER: You know, we'll try and
18 get back into that --

19 JIM: Okay.

20 MR. BRENNER: -- lane --

21 JIM: Good.

22 MR. BRENNER: -- for anything from here
23 on out.

24 JIM: Okay, good, good, yes. I think it
25 will, it will do us better. So, if there's any push

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1 back on the B-roll, drop the B-roll.

2 MR. BRENNER: Okay, not a problem.

3 JIM: Because --

4 MR. BRENNER: I mean, I'll give them 15
5 minutes to, to object, --

6 JIM: Yes.

7 MR. BRENNER: -- but otherwise, you
8 know, it's good TV. It shows the U.S. government at
9 work.

10 JIM: Yes, yes, absolutely. I think the
11 thing that I think our stature is really high within
12 the federal family right now because of how we've
13 done things, and, so, you know, that will pay
14 dividends in the long run.

15 MR. BRENNER: Right. I have to remember
16 that somewhere there's a management directive that
17 says, "Any video produced by Public Affairs must
18 bear with it a tag saying this was shot by the U.S.
19 government" or something.

20 JIM: Right.

21 MR. BRENNER: (b)(6)

22 (b)(6)

23 JIM: Right.

24 (Laughter.)

25 MR. BRENNER: (b)(5)

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1 (b)(5)

2 JIM: Yes. (b)(5)

3 (b)(5) -

4 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

5 JIM: -- because I think we're in good
6 shape as it is. (b)(5)

7 (b)(5)

8 (b)(5)

9 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

10 JIM: Okay. Great.

11 MR. BRENNER: Take it easy.

12 JIM: Okay. Thanks, Eliot.

13 MR. BRENNER: Bye.

14 JIM: Bye.

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3 CHAIRMAN: Hello.

4 MR. BRENNER: Chairman, it's Eliot.

5 CHAIRMAN: Yes. Hi.

6 MR. BRENNER: Just a heads up for you.

7 I got an email from the Washington rep for the ANS.

8 CHAIRMAN: Okay.

9 MR. BRENNER: And, they are trying to
10 place Klein (phonetic) on the networks, and they
11 shared with me their talking points, which track
12 very closely in terms of the event with what we see
13 --

14 CHAIRMAN: Okay.

15 MR. BRENNER: -- and some language
16 about, we've done a lot post-911, and here's the,
17 you know, how strong our reactors are.

18 CHAIRMAN: Okay.

19 MR. BRENNER: That kind of stuff.

20 CHAIRMAN: Good.

21 MR. BRENNER: So, they're working out
22 there. So, just wanted, so you weren't surprised.

23 CHAIRMAN: Good. (b)(5)

24 (b)(5)

25 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

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CHAIRMAN: Yes.

MR. BRENNER: All right. Not a problem.
I'll send a note over there and I'll just followup
saying, never mind, we'll hold the stuff.

CHAIRMAN: Yes. (b)(5)

(b)(5)

MR. BRENNER: Okay. All right. I'll
just let things sit.

CHAIRMAN: Yes.

MR. BRENNER: Okay, not a problem.

CHAIRMAN: Great. Thanks, Eliot.

MR. BRENNER: Bye.

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3 MS. HARRINGTON: Public Affairs. Holly
4 Harrington.

5 (b)(6): Yes. My name is (b)(6)
6 (b)(6) And, I have worked in the nuclear industry.

7 I certified Lawrence Livermore Lab. And, I have
8 the technology that may help bail the Japanese out
9 of their mess in the control room, nuclear control
10 room. I have the reference for it.

11 MS. HARRINGTON: You might need -- yes.

12 (b)(6): I'm not a main person, but
13 I have a heavy reference for it.

14 MS. HARRINGTON: Sir, sir, I understand.

15 When the Japanese authorities ask the NRC for
16 assistants, we have experts on standby to provide
17 them with assistants. They have not yet requested
18 that, so I don't know what to tell you, but they've
19 not asked for our assistance.

20 (b)(6): Okay. Good-bye. Okay.
21 Thank you very much.

22 MS. HARRINGTON: You're very welcome.

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3 (b)(6) (phonetic): You've reached
4 (b)(6) here at (b)(6). I'm away from my desk
5 right now, but if you'll leave your name and number,
6 I'll get back to you as soon as possible. Thanks
7 for calling. Bye.

8 MR. BRENNER: Hey, (b)(6). It's Eliot
9 Brenner at the NRC. I just wanted to close the loop
10 here. We're not going to be available tomorrow, and
11 I can't make our, our guys over in Japan available
12 either, I regret, but if we end up doing anything, I
13 will try to get in touch with you and see if we
14 can't be available, but right now, we're not doing
15 anything.

16 Talk to you later. Bye.

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3 (b)(6) (phonetic): (b)(6).

4 MR. BRENNER: Yes. Is there a (b)(6)
5 there?

6 (b)(6): She is gone for the day. Can
7 I help you?

8 MR. BRENNER: Yes. It's Eliot Brenner
9 at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

10 (b)(6): Hello, NRC. How are you?

11 MR. BRENNER: Oh, just fine.

12 (b)(6): You're in on a Saturday.
13 That's not good, is it?

14 MR. BRENNER: No, it's not good.

15 (b)(6): No.

16 MR. BRENNER: And, I will be in on a
17 Sunday and I was in staffing 24 hours a day and
18 blah, blah, blah.

19 (b)(6): Really?

20 MR. BRENNER: But neither -- not by
21 myself.

22 (b)(6): Okay, so that's good. You
23 can home and sleep at some point.

24 MR. BRENNER: That's right. I have a
25 small staff and 12-hour shifts for everybody, except

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1 for the boss.

2 (b)(6): Wow.

3 MR. BRENNER: (b)(6) had called looking, I
4 think, looking for somebody for your 10:00 tonight.

5 (b)(6): We did, yes.

6 MR. BRENNER: We ain't going out in
7 front.

8 (b)(6): You ain't going out?

9 MR. BRENNER: We ain't going out.

10 (b)(6): Okay. Is that just because
11 you have a dog in this race and you're kind of
12 involved or you just don't want to put anybody on?

13 MR. BRENNER: Yes, yes. Well, there's
14 two things going on. This is not a domestic U.S.
15 issue right now.

16 (b)(6): Right.

17 MR. BRENNER: It is an evolving Japanese
18 issue and we don't get out in front of the Japanese
19 and we don't talk about what we know that we hear
20 from the Japanese government because it ain't our
21 place.

22 (b)(6): Understood.

23 MR. BRENNER: So, that's, that's kind of
24 why.

25 (b)(6): Okay. Since I have you, can

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1 I bug you for all your contact information?

2 MR. BRENNER: Yes. The main, the main
3 number to reach us at is 301 -

4 (b)(6): Okay.

5 MR. BRENNER: -- 415 --

6 (b)(6): Okay.

7 MR. BRENNER: -- 8200.

8 (b)(6): Okay.

9 MR. BRENNER: And, I'm staffing it
10 during basically 7:00 a. to 7:00 p., but in the off
11 hours if you leave a message, we check it regularly.

12 (b)(6): Okay.

13 MR. BRENNER: And, if it's really bad,
14 they'll wake me up at home.

15 (b)(6): Okay. 301-415-8200.

16 MR. BRENNER: That's correct.

17 (b)(6): Staff 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.,
18 but after hours, you check it, and so if we call you
19 at 4:00 a.m., you eventually call back.

20 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

21 (b)(6): Got it. Okay, cool. And,
22 what's your name again? I'm sorry.

23 MR. BRENNER: Eliot Brenner.

24 (b)(6): Eliot Brenner, got it. I
25 appreciate your time.

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MR. BRENNER: Sure, no problem.

(b)(6) : Thanks.

MR. BRENNER: Bye-bye.

(b)(6) : Bye.

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3 (b)(6) (phonetic): Hi. It's (b)(6).

4 MR. BRENNER: Hi, (b)(6). It's Eliot
5 Brenner at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

6 (b)(6): Hello, Eliot Brenner. How are
7 you?

8 MR. BRENNER: Just fine. Been up way
9 too long, but just fine.

10 (b)(6): See, you and me both.

11 MR. BRENNER: Yes. I had a note that
12 you called looking for somebody for either (b)(6)
13 or (b)(6).

14 (b)(6): I sure did. I'm with (b)(6)
15 It's our prime -- we're producing a prime time (b)(6)
16 special.

17 MR. BRENNER: Right. I'm aware of that.
18 We are not going out on this.

19 (b)(6): Okay.

20 MR. BRENNER: It's basically a Japanese
21 issue right now.

22 (b)(6): Okay.

23 MR. BRENNER: I know, I know there are
24 questions about, you know, what about the U.S., but
25 we'll deal with that down the road. Now, if (b)(6)

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1 (b)(6) were doing this piece, we'd be delighted, but

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3 (b)(6): That's what it would take?

4 MR. BRENNER: No.

5 (b)(6): I mean, I can make that happen.

6 MR. BRENNER: No. I know you could. I
7 know you could.

8 (b)(6): Was that a joke? You know, I
9 could make that happen, Eliot.

10 MR. BRENNER: Totally, totally screw up
11 Chris' weekend.

12 (b)(6): Hey.

13 MR. BRENNER: I'd love to do it.

14 (b)(6): Is he a friend of yours?

15 MR. BRENNER: Yes. We go, we go back.
16 I used to be the spokesman for the Federal Aviation
17 Administration, and I probably did a half dozen
18 pieces with (b)(6) --

19 (b)(6): Oh, really?

20 MR. BRENNER: -- in the '90s to the
21 point that it was, "Look, I mean, I know what
22 questions you're going to ask, you know what my
23 answers are going to be."

24 (b)(6): It's true.

25 MR. BRENNER: We had a very good working

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2 (b)(6) You don't know a (b)(6)
3 do you from your days back there at the (b)(6)?

4 MR. BRENNER: Of course I do. (b)(6)
5 (b)(6) was --

6 (b)(6) (b)(6)

7 MR. BRENNER: Really?

8 (b)(6): Yes, he sure is.

9 MR. BRENNER: He was at the time an
10 investigator for the NTSB.

11 (b)(6): That's what I figured.

12 MR. BRENNER: A very fine fellow.

13 (b)(6) He was the TV guy for a while.

14 MR. BRENNER: Yes, exactly. (b)(6)
15 (b)(6)

16 (b)(6): It's true. He has those.

17 MR. BRENNER: Yes, nice fellow. I
18 enjoyed working with him even though I was over at
19 the FAA.

20 (b)(6): I just figured the two of you
21 guys worked closely together.

22 MR. BRENNER: We crossed paths at a few
23 crime scenes.

24 (b)(6) Figures.

25 MR. BRENNER: So, anyway, we're not

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1 going out.

2 (b)(6): Thanks for the callback. I
3 will let the people here know.

4 MR. BRENNER: Okay.

5 (b)(6): And, then we will leave the
6 Chairman alone.

7 MR. BRENNER: All right. And, if you
8 cross paths with (b)(6) tell him, Eliot Brenner said
9 hello.

10 (b)(6): I sure will, Eliot. Thank you
11 so much.

12 MR. BRENNER: Sure.

13 (b)(6): Bye-bye.

14 MR. BRENNER: Tell him, we're putting
15 the band back together.

16 (b)(6): Oh, really? That's what I'll
17 say.

18 MR. BRENNER: Oh, it's just the people
19 who deal with crisis.

20 (b)(6): I will. All right.

21 MR. BRENNER: Bye-bye.

22 (b)(6): Thanks so much. Bye-bye.

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3 MR. BRENNER: Eliot Brenner.

4 MALE PARTICIPANT: Hey, Eliot. This is
5 the op center over here. Hey, we've got an email we
6 want to forward over to you. How -- what's your
7 email address?

8 MR. BRENNER: E-L-I-O-T dot Brenner, B-
9 R-E-N-N-E-R.

10 MALE PARTICIPANT: So, just Eliot
11 Brenner, and it'll get you over there?

12 MR. BRENNER: It will indeed.

13 MALE PARTICIPANT: Okay. Thank you.

14 MR. BRENNER: Yes.

15 MALE PARTICIPANT: Bye.

16 MR. BRENNER: Bye.

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3 ELIOT BRENNER: Actually, I may do one.

4 (b)(6): Okay, this is (b)(6).

5 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, (b)(6), this is
6 Eliot Brenner at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in
7 beautiful downtown Rockville, Maryland.

8 (b)(6): Good morning, how are you?

9 ELIOT BRENNER: Just fine.

10 (b)(6): Appreciate you calling me back.

11 I was seeing if we could do an interview this
12 morning at 9:35 Central Time on some basic
13 information about nuclear reactors and basically what
14 happened over in Japan and what the dangers could be,
15 and if something or a tsunami were to hit, you know,
16 here in the United States. I'm not sure if we have
17 any in the code, so I'm not really knowledgeable on
18 all this stuff, but.

19 ELIOT BRENNER: Right now I'm not really
20 sure what we can do for you.

21 (b)(6): Okay.

22 ELIOT BRENNER: However, I have got your
23 name and number. And how long would you like to do
24 an interview for?

25 (b)(6): Just a few minutes. I mean,

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1 it's just, you know, purely informational and --

2 ELIOT BRENNER: Sure, it's got to be.
3 It cannot happen here with --

4 (b)(6): Sure.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: -- you know, that's --

6 (b)(6): I think one of our, you know, my
7 talents said, you know, he looks at basic facts but,
8 you know, he couldn't really find out if a scenario,
9 the website, were, you know, if this happened or that
10 happened, you know, what would be the procedure and,
11 you know.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Well, that's because
13 they're so safe.

14 (b)(6): Good. I can tell him that, at
15 least.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: If we can do it how much
17 advance warning do you need? I mean, all the way up
18 to the very minute, I suppose.

19 (b)(6): The only thing is we don't
20 promote these things so we won't, you know, say
21 anything about it until --

22 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay. Well, yes, got
23 you on the list. If we can do it I'll give you a
24 call.

25 (b)(6): I appreciate you calling me back.

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ELIOT BRENNER: Yes. Thanks.

(b)(6): Thank you.

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3 ELIOT BRENNER: Scott was supposed to
4 teach you that, and don't you look to me if you think
5 I know it.

6 (b)(6): (b)(6).

7 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, is (b)(6)
8 there, please?

9 (b)(6) This is (b)(6)

10 ELIOT BRENNER: This is Eliot Brenner at
11 the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

12 (b)(6): Hey, Eliot. How are
13 you?

14 ELIOT BRENNER: Short answer is I don't
15 have anybody to put on camera.

16 (b)(6): Oh, and that's what I
17 was calling for.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: I'm surprised. I, geez,
19 I thought you wanted to say hey, could we go have
20 dinner.

21 (b)(6): Yes, well we could say
22 that too.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, right now, nobody.
24 That could change. But if I do anything it's
25 probably going to be a real big scrum here in

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1 Washington, not any local individual stuff.

2 (b)(6): Oh, okay. Got you, all
3 right. Well if that changes give us a holler.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

5 (b)(6): And keep us in mind.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Thank you, ma'am.

7 (b)(6): No problem.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Bye-bye.

9 (b)(6): Bye.

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3 ELIOT BRENNER: I can't, I mean, I can
4 believe this. I just called a (b)(6) and
5 this voice that couldn't have been 22 answered,
6 (b)(6)

7 MALE PARTICIPANT: (b)(6). Hello.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, is this (b)(6)

9 (b)(6)

10 (b)(6): This is he.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: This is Eliot Brenner at
12 the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

13 (b)(6): Hello. Are you
14 here to do the interview?

15 ELIOT BRENNER: No, I'm here to tell you
16 we're not doing interviews right now.

17 (b)(6): Oh, really? Okay.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

19 (b)(6): I think --

20 ELIOT BRENNER: I'm just trying to be
21 dutiful and return phone calls as quick as I can.

22 (b)(6): I appreciate that.
23 Any plans for the future? Should we just wait for
24 you?

25 ELIOT BRENNER: I really don't know. At

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1 the moment we're still busy watching this thing
2 unfold.

3 (b)(6): Yes. Yes, I
4 understand.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: And all of my top people
6 are tied up, but we're trying to, you know, get to
7 the point where we could start dealing with some of
8 these. I do not know the (b)(6).

9 (b)(6): Yes, (b)(6)
10 (b)(6) is the (b)(6) radio network in the
11 country. We have about 1,200 radio stations that
12 take our news product. I'm calling from the
13 newsroom.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay. What kind of
15 interview would you be looking for?

16 (b)(6): You know, all we
17 want to know, primarily, are two things. One is
18 best, we want to know what the worst case scenario is
19 in Japan. It's not really critical you know the
20 exact facts in Japan, just what is the worst case
21 scenario with that type of reactor.

22 And, number two, if a certain amount of
23 radiation were to be released is, will there be any
24 threat, over time, to other parts of the country
25 including the U.S.

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1 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, I will bear that
2 in mind. We're obviously not doing anything now.
3 I've got your name and number.

4 (b)(6) Okay.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: And if we can do
6 something we will.

7 (b)(6) Fair enough.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Thanks for checking in.

9 (b)(6): Have a good one.

10 ELIOT BRENNER: Bye-bye.

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3 ELIOT BRENNER: Hello.

4 YVONNE: Hey, Eliot?

5 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

6 YVONNE: It's Yvonne. I have a
7 gentleman on (b)(6). He wants to do some background on
8 what's happening in our situation. His name is (b)(6)
9 (b)(6). He's Skyping in.

10 ELIOT BRENNER: Excuse me. You know, I
11 kind of lost you after the word (b)(6).

12 YVONNE: I'm sorry. A gentleman from
13 (b)(6) is calling. He would like some background
14 information on what's happening, as well as our
15 reactors. The second part is I would have taken his
16 number, except he's on Skype.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: Well, if you're talking
18 to him --

19 YVONNE: I'm trying, I would, wanted to
20 know if you can take the call --

21 ELIOT BRENNER: How would we get this
22 communication?

23 YVONNE: He's on, I can transfer him
24 over to you all.

25 ELIOT BRENNER: Oh, he is talking on

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1 Skype?

2 YVONNE: Yes.

3 ELIOT BRENNER: Tell him to give me a
4 phone, give you a phone number and send it to me by
5 email.

6 YVONNE: Okay.

7 ELIOT BRENNER: Thanks. Bye.

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3 ELIOT BRENNER: Eliot Brenner.

4 (b)(6): Eliot, (b)(6)

5 (phonetic).

6 ELIOT BRENNER: How are you doing, dude?

7 (b)(6): How are you, brother? Good
8 times are upon us, yes?

9 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes. Well, let me tell
10 you, I did the FAA for about five years --

11 (b)(6): Oh.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: -- and this ain't (b)(6)
13 compared to a plane crash. It just takes longer.

14 (b)(6): Yes, that is true. I've
15 done a couple plane crashes in the last few
16 interviews.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: So how can I help you?

18 (b)(6): All right.

19 ELIOT BRENNER: Other than staying in my
20 lane?

21 (b)(6): So what I wanted to just
22 quickly chat with you about is, sorry, is I'm going
23 to put together kind of like an email Listserv for
24 U.S. Gov folks --

25 ELIOT BRENNER: Right.

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1 (b)(6) : -- to coordinate stuff.
2 Since you are a regulatory agency yourself --

3 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

4 (b)(6) : -- I don't think I, unless
5 you see otherwise, (b)(5)

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9 (b)(5) --

10 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

11 (b)(6) : -- anything we're putting
12 on. (b)(5)

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15 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

16 (b)(6) : So it'll basically go from,

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23 And then the same goes, on the other
24 side. (b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER:

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(b)(6): Exactly. And, you know,

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ELIOT BRENNER: Sure.

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ELIOT BRENNER: Let me, what are your

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(b)(6): What I want to do is, I

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ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

(b)(6):

What I'd like to do is send out a statement later today that answers the four, or

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ELIOT BRENNER: Right. Good.

(b)(6): I want to, that's one.

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ELIOT BRENNER: Right.

(b)(6): -- assist with that and

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ELIOT BRENNER: Right.

(b)(6): Because I know NRC handles inside the fence --

ELIOT BRENNER: Right, I think we're --

(b)(6): -- (b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER: We actually are, have got about a 20 to 30-page, just a Q&A, that --

(b)(6): Awesome.

ELIOT BRENNER: -- (b)(5)

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(b)(6): Sure.

ELIOT BRENNER: And --

(b)(6): Great.

ELIOT BRENNER: -- (b)(5)

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(b)(6): Perfect.

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ELIOT BRENNER: It's an evolving

document, (b)(5)

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(b)(6): Great.

ELIOT BRENNER: -- that are discussed in

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Let me tell you --

(b)(6): Great.

ELIOT BRENNER: -- (b)(5)

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(b)(6): I think when we see stuff

like that, too, from I'm being told, (b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

(b)(6): -- (b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

(b)(6): And we want to make sure,

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ELIOT BRENNER: Right, okay. That's a good idea.

(b)(6): So that way, (b)(5)

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or --

ELIOT BRENNER: Right. I will, my next

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(b)(6): Great.

ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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1 (b)(5)

2 (b)(6): Okay.

3 ELIOT BRENNER: What is your number?

4 (b)(6): So email's the best way to
5 get me as --

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

7 (b)(6) -- I'm either in meetings
8 or not at my desk.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, I know what you
10 mean.

11 (b)(6): So just shoot me an email.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

13 (b)(6): And then I'll respond,
14 telling you whatever number I'm at at that point and,
15 or what. But I'll email you right now all my numbers.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: Thank you, sir.

17 (b)(6): But if you don't me over the
18 phone make sure you email me.

19 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

20 (b)(6): Thank you.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, thank you.

22 (b)(6): Okay.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: Bye.
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ELIOT BRENNER: Jim, it's Eliot Brenner.

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ELIOT BRENNER: Now it's working for me.

Hi, Tillie (phonetic), it's Brenner. It's not working.

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FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Hello?

ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, it's Eliot.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Hey, Eliot. The

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They want us to be ready now to put something out. And the chairman said we could do that, and he committed that we might be able to do it within a half an hour.

ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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FEMALE PARTICIPANT: (b)(5)

and I was only listening to part of it, but that we

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a little bit more than that. But he said we weren't going to speculate, and he would, you know, the staff

here, (b)(5)

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But we could put out --

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ELIOT BRENNER: All right, I'll tell you what I'll do is I'm going to put together something very quickly.

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FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Perfect.

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ELIOT BRENNER: I'm going to send it over to you guys to take a look at.

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FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Great.

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ELIOT BRENNER: And then we will do it as

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FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yes, that, they, he seemed to be fine coordinating that, yes.

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ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, I had a conversation

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FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay.

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FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Right.

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1 ELIOT BRENNER: And that if we had

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5 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yes, they mentioned

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7 that phone call.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Right, right. So getting

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10 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: So they just wanted
11 us to go first. So what, you --

12 ELIOT BRENNER: That's fine.

13 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: -- probably know
14 more of what they actually want than I do.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, I do.

16 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: So, yes, go ahead

17 (b)(5)

18 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

19 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: And we will go from
20 there.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: All right, great.

22 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Thanks, Eliot.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: Thanks.

24 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Bye.

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3 VAL: Public Affairs.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: Val, it's Eliot.

5 VAL: Hey, Eliot.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Who's over there?

7 VAL: Me, Bethany and Yvonne.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay. I need to alert
9 the three of you that, probably in the next half hour
10 to an hour, we will issue a press release.

11 VAL: Okay.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: I want, just want you
13 guys to be aware.

14 VAL: Okay.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: Be prepared for us to do
16 something as simple as send you an email message with
17 a text that you will need to cut and paste.

18 VAL: Okay.

19 ELIOT BRENNER: All right?

20 VAL: Okay.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: Thank you.

22 VAL: Bye.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: Bye.
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3 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)

4 (b)(6) Yes, sir.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: I am so tempted, I cannot
6 tell you, this is one of these deja vu situations.

7 (b)(6): Oh, yes?

8 ELIOT BRENNER: I damn near picked the
9 phone up and went, Desk, Brenner.

10 (b)(6) That's funny, man. I
11 actually haven't slept yet, so I'm in the same boat.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, I'm an old UPI hand.

13 (b)(6): The only two things, one,
14 this is extremely helpful, obviously. I'm very
15 excited you're doing this. The only two thoughts are,

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20 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, hang on a second. I
21 opened the document but I can't, it's not in an
22 editable form. So let me get a hard copy in front of
23 me, okay.

24 (b)(6): No problem.

25 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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1 One of my staff --

2 (b)(6): Instead of, do you want to

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4 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, I can do --

5 (b)(6): -- (b)(5) and --

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, hang on a second.

7 One of my staffers who is technically savvy showed me
8 how to fix this. (b)(5) --

9 (b)(6): The (b)(5)

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11 ELIOT BRENNER: And (b)(5)

12 Now your comment was on the language, (b)(5)

13 (b)(5)

14 (b)(6): Yes, (b)(6) who's our
15 science guy --

16 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

17 (b)(6): -- (b)(5)

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22 ELIOT BRENNER: I'm sorry, slow down,
23 should not --

24 (b)(6): I don't know, I don't
25 honestly know the difference. (b)(5)

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He said the releases are in Japan.

5 What is or isn't experienced elsewhere is the
6 radioactivity transported there as a result of the
7 releases.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, and, in his
9 language, what he would use was (b)(5)

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13 ELIOT BRENNER: I've got no problem with
14 that.

15 (b)(6)

: Cool.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: I mean, it's just a, is he
17 saying the same thing?

18 (b)(6)

: Exactly, yes, it doesn't
19 change things.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: Only different.

21 (b)(6)

: Exactly.

22 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, you guys are cool?

23 (b)(6)

: Yes, man.

24 ELIOT BRENNER: All right. I'm going to
25 flush this, probably in about five minutes, and the

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1 floodgates will open.

2 (b)(6): All right, (b)(5)

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4 ELIOT BRENNER: I will do that and then

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7 (b)(6): Great.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

9 (b)(6): All right, thank you, sir.

10 ELIOT BRENNER: Glad to help.

11 (b)(6): Okay.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Bye.

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3 VAL: Public Affairs.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: Hi, Val.

5 VAL: Hello.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: How are you, dear?

7 VAL: I'm not too bad.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Good. May I speak with
9 Holly?

10 VAL: Yes. Hold on.

11 HOLLY HARRINGTON: Hey, Eliot.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, how are you?

13 HOLLY HARRINGTON: Good.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: I'm looking at the blog
15 stuff.

16 HOLLY HARRINGTON: Yes.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: It's a little (b)(5)

18 HOLLY HARRINGTON: Okay.

19 ELIOT BRENNER: If you pull it up in front
20 of you --

21 HOLLY HARRINGTON: Yes.

22 ELIOT BRENNER: Where, first off, where do
23 we say, (b)(5)

24 (b)(5)

25 HOLLY HARRINGTON: That came from the

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2 ELIOT BRENNER: From?

3 HOLLY HARRINGTON: From you.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: I don't think we've issued
5 anything. I think I've drafted stuff.

6 HOLLY HARRINGTON: I have a press release
7 in front of me, 11-046, that we are in the process of
8 posting, that I was turning into a blog.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: Bear with me. Bear with
10 me just a minute. Son of a gun, I said that.

11 HOLLY HARRINGTON: Yes, you did.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Say goodnight, Eliot.

13 HOLLY HARRINGTON: No problem.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: Second item, (b)(5)

15 (b)(5)

16 (b)(5)

17 HOLLY HARRINGTON: Yes.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: We would like to repeat,
19 dash --

20 HOLLY HARRINGTON: Okay. All right.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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25 HOLLY HARRINGTON: (b)(5)

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3 ELIOT BRENNER: I would --

4 HOLLY HARRINGTON: -- that you've already
5 looked at.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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12 HOLLY HARRINGTON: I know, I just don't
13 know where that is, clearly.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: Last sentence.

15 HOLLY HARRINGTON: Oh, okay. The, where
16 that's it for now, thanks for reading?

17 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

18 HOLLY HARRINGTON: Okay.

19 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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21 HOLLY HARRINGTON: Yes.

22 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

23 (b)(5) --

24 HOLLY HARRINGTON: Got it.

25 ELIOT BRENNER: -- (b)(5). Okay?

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1 HOLLY HARRINGTON: Got it.

2 ELIOT BRENNER: Thank you.

3 HOLLY HARRINGTON: (b)(5)

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7 that in.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

9 HOLLY HARRINGTON: (b)(5)

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12 ELIOT BRENNER: Thank you for reading our
13 blog --

14 HOLLY HARRINGTON: -- thank you for
15 reading our blog.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: -- et cetera.

17 HOLLY HARRINGTON: Okay. Got it.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: All right.

19 HOLLY HARRINGTON: And now I'm going to
20 send you, actually, I'm going to put you on hold and
21 Val's going to pick up. She needs to talk to you.
22 So, Eliot?

23 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, I'm here.

24 HOLLY HARRINGTON: Okay, so hang on.

25 VAL: Eliot?

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ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

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ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

VAL: (b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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VAL: Okay. I'll do that.

ELIOT BRENNER: Thanks.

VAL: Okay.

ELIOT BRENNER: Bye.

VAL: Bye.

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3 VAL: Public Affairs.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: Val.

5 VAL: Hey, there.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: How are you, sweetheart?

7 VAL: I'm good. I just finished posting
8 it.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, so let me see.

10 VA: Hopefully it'll be up on the lid.
11 I'm adding this. Yvonne gave me a special list, and
12 I'm going to add (b)(6) to that list.

13 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, I want him to get any
14 news release that we send out.

15 VAL: Okay.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: So if you, get him on the
17 Listserv.

18 VAL: Well, what I'm going to do with this
19 individual list is I'm, we weren't going to put the
20 people on the --

21 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: You should put it on
22 the Listserv.

23 VAL: Put it on the Listserv?

24 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yes.

25 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

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1 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: That way we know who
2 --

3 ELIOT BRENNER: No, put him on the
4 internal list.

5 VAL: On the internal list?

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

7 VAL: Okay.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Val, I apologize.

9 VAL: No, that's okay.

10 ELIOT BRENNER: Put him on the external
11 list.

12 VAL: The external list?

13 ELIOT BRENNER: I'm trying to remember,
14 anything that we do, send him ahead of time.

15 VAL: Okay, just put him on a Listserv?

16 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

17 VAL: Just for this specific --

18 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes. We can take him off
19 later.

20 VAL: Okay.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

22 (b)(5) --

23 VAL: (b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, because I --

VAL: -- (b)(5)

ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

(b)(5) --

VAL: Okay.

ELIOT BRENNER: I want to let some reporters know it's out there.

VAL: Yes.

ELIOT BRENNER: Thanks.

VAL: Okay, I'll let you know.

ELIOT BRENNER: Bye.

VAL: Bye.

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ELIOT BRENNER: Eliot Brenner.

MALE PARTICIPANT: Hey, Eliot, I've got the Chairman's secretary on the line. The Chairman wants to speak with you, connecting you.

ELIOT BRENNER: I am right here.

MALE PARTICIPANT: Okay.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Eliot? Hello?

Hello?

ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, it's Eliot.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Hi, Eliot. Hold on.

GREGORY B. JACZKO: Eliot?

ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, sir.

GREGORY B. JACZKO: (b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER: Are you comfortable with adding that?

GREGORY B. JACZKO: Sure, yes.

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ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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GREGORY B. JACZKO: Hold on, let me get a

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ELIOT BRENNER: -- (b)(5)

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GREGORY B. JACZKO: Yes, (b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER: All right, it's done.

I'll tell (b)(6) (b)(5)

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GREGORY B. JACZKO: (b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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GREGORY B. JACZKO: (b)(5)

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(b)(5) (b)(6)

ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, that's. And now,

again, (b)(5)

(b)(5)

GREGORY B. JACZKO: Yes, I'm just

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1 updating it.

2 ELIOT BRENNER: And updating it.

3 GREGORY B. JACZKO: It'll have a little
4 note across the top saying revised.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

6 GREGORY B. JACZKO: (b)(5)

7 (b)(5)

8 (b)(5) --

9 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

10 GREGORY B. JACZKO: -- (b)(5)

11 (b)(5)

12 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

13 (b)(5)

14 (b)(5) --

15 GREGORY B. JACZKO: Exactly, that's not
16 changed, yes.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

18 (b)(5)

19 (b)(5)

20 GREGORY B. JACZKO: Yes.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

22 GREGORY B. JACZKO: Yes. Well, send me,
23 why don't you type it up. Send me the full blurb and

24 (b)(5)

25 (b)(5) --

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ELIOT BRENNER: All right. I'll send you
the effective paragraph.

GREGORY B. JACZKO: Okay, good.

ELIOT BRENNER: Good. Bye.

GREGORY B. JACZKO: Thanks. Bye.

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ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay, her phone

number is (b)(6)

ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: -- (b)(6)

ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, thanks.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: You're welcome.

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3 ELIOT BRENNER: No, you know what, I
4 wanted Yvonne to bring the camera over here and shoot
5 some pictures. So I want a picture of you for our
6 wall.

7 VAL: Public Affairs.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, Val.

9 VAL: Hello.

10 ELIOT BRENNER: I need Yvonne.

11 VAL: Okay, hold on. She's on the phone.

12 Hold on just a second.

13 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay. This is not
14 urgent. When she's off, would you just tell her that
15 the, I'd like her to come over and shoot some
16 pictures, even though she's got something, to put up
17 on the Web?

18 VAL: Okay.

19 ELIOT BRENNER: First she should put
20 something up on the Web --

21 VAL: Okay.

22 ELIOT BRENNER: -- and show me the cut
23 line, because I don't want it going up without me
24 reading the cut line.

25 VAL: Okay.

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1 ELIOT BRENNER: And then I want her to
2 come over here and shoot a few picture.

3 VAL: Okay. I will tell her.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: Bye.

5 VAL: Bye.
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3 ELIOT BRENNER: NRC, Public Affairs.

4 MALE PARTICIPANT: Yes, this is the
5 security guard at the entrance.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, sir.

7 MALE PARTICIPANT: They guy from (b)(6) said
8 that he is here to pick up something.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, can I talk to him
10 very briefly?

11 MALE PARTICIPANT: Hold on.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Thank you.

13 MALE PARTICIPANT: Hold on just one
14 second.

15 MALE PARTICIPANT 2: Hello?

16 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, this is the Public
17 Affairs guy. What, have you already told my office
18 what format you wanted?

19 MALE PARTICIPANT 2: You need that actual
20 format for it?

21 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, yes.

22 MALE PARTICIPANT 2: Hold on jut a second.
23 Hello, (b)(6) I'm on the other, I don't have my cell
24 phone with me right now.

25 ELIOT BRENNER: Sure. I have it s a

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1 little cassette, which I think is High Def and I also
2 have a CD which I think is 720.

3 MALE PARTICIPANT 2: Okay.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: So if you can tell me
5 which it is I'll call back to my staff, in their
6 office, and send them down with it.

7 MALE PARTICIPANT 2: Okay, I'm just
8 waiting to hear back from them right now.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: Tell you what, you got a
10 pen?

11 MALE PARTICIPANT 2: Hold on, just a
12 second. Just a second, sir.

13 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

14 MALE PARTICIPANT 2: Hey, (b)(6) I'm on
15 the, I guess their line with the guy. He's asking
16 what formats we needed. Sir, what's your name?

17 ELIOT BRENNER: Eliot Brenner.

18 MALE PARTICIPANT 2: Brenner?

19 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

20 MALE PARTICIPANT 2: Okay. I'm speaking
21 with a man named Brenner. Yes, I believe so. Well,
22 I'm at the gate and the gate connected me to him.
23 Okay, okay. Got you. Apparently, Holly is on her way
24 down with the tapes already.

25 ELIOT BRENNER: Oh, okay, Holly Betz?

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1 MALE PARTICIPANT 2: I believe so.

2 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, good. If you have,
3 she should be there momentarily. If you have any
4 problems give us a ring back.

5 MALE PARTICIPANT 2: Okay, should I, I
6 guess should I just wait at the gate here?

7 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, just wait at the
8 gate.

9 MALE PARTICIPANT 2: Oh, okay.

10 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)
11 (b)(6)

12 MALE PARTICIPANT 2: Okay, I'll be waiting
13 here for her.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: Thank you, sir.

15 MALE PARTICIPANT 2: No problem.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: Bye-bye.

17 MALE PARTICIPANT 2: Bye.

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3 ELIOT BRENNER: Public Affairs.

4 MARK ABRAMOVITZ: Is this Eliot?

5 ELIOT BRENNER: It is.

6 MARK ABRAMOVITZ: Hey, Eliot. This is
7 Mark Abramovitz. I've got offices on the line. I'm
8 going to connect you.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: Who's on the phone?

10 MARK ABRAMOVITZ: Right now, it's his
11 secretary and it'll be the Chairman's secretary.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, I think I can do
13 that.

14 MARK ABRAMOVITZ: Okay.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, you guys, be quiet.
16 I've got the Chairman coming on.

17 PATTY PAYS: Oh, it's Patty Pays.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: Well, this is more
19 important.

20 PATTY PAYS: Here you go. Hold on.

21 GREGORY B. JACZKO: Hey, Eliot.

22 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, what's up?

23 GREGORY B. JACZKO: (b)(5)

24 (b)(5)

25 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, the stuff about

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2 GREGORY B. JACZKO: Yes. You know, if

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6 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay. I've been doing a
7 lot of work, via email and phone.

8 GREGORY B. JACZKO: Okay.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: But, tell you what, rather

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13 GREGORY B. JACZKO: Okay, good.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: -- (b)(5)

15 (b)(5)

16 So --

17 GREGORY B. JACZKO: Whatever you think,
18 yes. Yes, and again, (b)(5)

19 (b)(5)

20 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, we'll do.

21 GREGORY B. JACZKO: Okay, good. Thanks.

22 ELIOT BRENNER: Oh, hey, I wanted to
23 check, (b)(5)

24 (b)(5)?

25 GREGORY B. JACZKO: I think so, yes.

ELIOT BRENNER: Okay. I just wanted to

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1 check because (b)(5)

2 (b)(5)

3 GREGORY B. JACZKO: Okay.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: Great. And, just to let
5 you know one thing, this is kind of related, but not.

6 Beth has been scheduled to go to an ANEA meeting, on
7 communications, in Paris.

8 GREGORY B. JACZKO: Okay.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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13 GREGORY B. JACZKO: Okay.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: -- (b)(5)

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16 (b)(5) --

17 GREGORY B. JACZKO: Okay, good.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: -- (b)(5)

19 GREGORY B. JACZKO: Okay, good.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: Just to let you know.

21 GREGORY B. JACZKO: Okay, good. All
22 right, Eliot, that's fine.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: Bye.

24 GREGORY B. JACZKO: Thanks. Bye.
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3 ELIOT BRENNER: If we lead it, we need the
4 most current one.

5 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: He just wants the
6 statement about --

7 ELIOT BRENNER: He wants the voice.
8 That's all he wants.

9 (b)(6): (b)(6).

10 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, (b)(6). It's Eliot
11 Brenner.

12 (b)(6): Hey, Eliot. How are you?

13 ELIOT BRENNER: You know, if the Chairman
14 would quit calling me I could deal with the media the
15 way they deserve to be dealt with.

16 (b)(6): Oh, dear. It's all over.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: Who the hell does he think
18 he is? I'm trying to do a job here.

19 (b)(6): I have to, it's annoying.
20 So I was just, did he say something today?

21 ELIOT BRENNER: No.

22 (b)(6): Okay.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: No, no. We put out a
24 press release and then updated it.

25 (b)(6): Yes, I saw that.

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1 ELIOT BRENNER: And the point of the
2 update --

3 (b)(6): Yes, I saw that too.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: -- was making sure to talk
5 to the Americans in Japan.

6 (b)(6): Okay. I'm not sure I saw
7 the update.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, it just added two
9 sentences that, you know, affects the Americans in
10 Japan. We recommend Americans on --

11 (b)(6): Oh, okay.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: -- evacuations, et cetera.
13 I mean, their standards are kind of equivalent to
14 ours.

15 (b)(6): Okay. So I was just
16 wondering, you know, I know you guys have got to be
17 watching this with more than average interest, but if
18 someone could just chat about what's happening there
19 today and what they think of what's happening, you
20 know, what they make of what's happening today.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, we've really just
22 been following the news reports --

23 (b)(6): Yes?

24 ELIOT BRENNER: -- and getting some
25 communication from the Japanese government, but

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1 wouldn't speculate on where this is going.

2 (b)(6): Yes.

3 ELIOT BRENNER: And it's, I mean, it's
4 their crisis, not ours.

5 (b)(6): Right. Right, but still,
6 it's, well, it'll be ours in some form or another.

7 ELIOT BRENNER: Well, you're, ye of little
8 faith.

9 (b)(6): I just meant in terms of,
10 you know, an incident after all of this has happened.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: You've been listening to
12 Az Markey (phonetic) too much.

13 (b)(6): Oh, god.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: I'm sorry. I'm somewhat
15 cynical. I've been in Washington, perhaps, so much,
16 stayed too long.

17 (b)(6): Oh, no, it's never too
18 long.

19 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, now I've, I mean,
20 just off the record, I've been watching our people,
21 our reactor experts, as we've seen the flow of
22 information today and I've not seen anybody go, (b)(6)

23 (b)(6)

24 (b)(6): Right, that does seem like
25 we're just, you know, we're just kind of waiting to

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1 (b)(6)

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because, as I understand it, they basically have,
3 you know, these rods that have, at least partly,
4 melted down and are either working their way through
5 the reactor or not, right, while trying to drown them
6 in the sea water. And when they --

7 ELIOT BRENNER: And if you don't drown
8 them --

9 (b)(6): -- succeed, and if they
10 succeed they'll know they've succeeded and we fail --

11 ELIOT BRENNER: That's right.

12 (b)(6): And if they sit there for -

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14 ELIOT BRENNER: And, you know --

15 (b)(6): -- long enough we'll decide
16 we've succeeded.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, if they, off the
18 record, if they fail there are still barriers to the
19 release of that, the material.

20 (b)(6): Right.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: It's inside a closed
22 vessel.

23 (b)(6): Right, I know that much.

24 ELIOT BRENNER: I mean, it may have some
25 openings, god knows, but it's inside a primary

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1 containment building --

2 (b)(6) Right.

3 ELIOT BRENNER: -- which is inside a
4 secondary containment building.

5 (b)(6) Right.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: So, you know, the fact
7 that it melts doesn't mean it all goes someplace
8 outside the building.

9 (b)(6): Right. The fact that it
10 hasn't melted, that we haven't seen the disaster yet,
11 doesn't really mean anything. If it was taken --

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Well, I mean, can you
13 predict --

14 (b)(6): -- it'll take a --

15 ELIOT BRENNER: Can you predict what's
16 going to happen if you walk across the street?

17 (b)(6): Well, geez, at least.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: I'm not going to predict
19 it.

20 (b)(6): No, I wasn't suggesting
21 that.

22 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes. This is watchful
23 waiting.

24 (b)(6): Yes. Do you know how much
25 sea water they're pumping in there or --

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1 ELIOT BRENNER: No.

2 (b)(6): I mean, even that kind of
3 stuff would be --

4 ELIOT BRENNER: No, I don't. We're, you
5 know, watching television and getting the news reports
6 the same as everybody else is. And we have occasional
7 contact with our counterparts, but they're in the
8 middle of a crisis and we know that they're very
9 experienced in running these kind of reactors.

10 (b)(6): Yes. Yes, and it's been a
11 long time --

12 ELIOT BRENNER: So it is, this is, they've
13 been running boilers for 40 years.

14 (b)(6): Yes.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: I'm not trying to make
16 light of it, but this is their crisis.

17 (b)(6): So, okay.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, I'm, I don't mean to
19 be totally useless but I think I may be fitting in
20 that category right now.

21 (b)(6): You may be. Hopefully,
22 it's not a permanent condition.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: I hope not. It's just
24 that I don't really have anything here for you other
25 than what we've put out.

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1 (b)(6): Right. I guess I wasn't
2 expecting, I don't necessarily need you necessarily on
3 the record, but obviously you've got a couple hundred
4 people who know a lot about nuclear power there --

5 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, we --

6 (b)(6): -- hopefully, more than
7 almost anyone in the country.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Well, they've been cycling
9 through here.

10 (Simultaneous speaking)

11 (b)(6): And it seemed like a
12 logical thing to talk to you today --

13 ELIOT BRENNER: There is one thing I'll do
14 that --

15 (b)(6): -- to help understand what
16 may be the --

17 ELIOT BRENNER: Right.

18 (b)(6): -- largest nuclear disaster
19 in, you know, whatever, blah-blah-blah.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: We're paying very close
21 attention to it. That's a very exciting quote for the
22 record.

23 (b)(6): Yes, right.

24 ELIOT BRENNER: Now let me talk to you on
25 background here a little bit. I've been having a

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1 couple of questions about what if the, we started down
2 this road, what might we expect to see in the United
3 States if a core melted.

4 (b)(6): Yes.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: And I could tell you, on
6 background, that our health physicists have run those
7 scenarios and, while there might be slightly elevated
8 levels over what we would currently expect, they are
9 still well below anything that gives us concern about
10 any potential health risk.

11 (b)(6): Yes?

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Does that work for you?

13 (b)(6): I don't know. Say it one
14 more time, I mean, let me see something.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: I'm looking for the
16 language. No, I'm sorry, I'm cobbling this together
17 out of a conversation and some stuff I've got on
18 paper, is that --

19 (b)(6): And you're talking to me
20 on?

21 ELIOT BRENNER: On background.

22 (b)(6): Okay, I think that's what I
23 told you about. Okay, go ahead

24 ELIOT BRENNER: -- that we have run some
25 worst case scenarios and even under those we do not

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1 expect to see harmful levels of radioactivity. Levels
2 might be slightly higher than the very low levels of,
3 you know, radiation that might make it this far --

4 (b)(6): Right.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: -- but not to the harmful
6 point.

7 (b)(6): Okay.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Does that help?

9 (b)(6): And that's based on what's
10 happened so far or --

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

12 (b)(6): -- what would happen in --

13 ELIOT BRENNER: No, no, no.

14 (b)(6): -- a worst case scenario?

15 ELIOT BRENNER: We've run worst case
16 scenarios.

17 (b)(6): Yes, okay. So that's
18 presumably, you know, where that goes through the
19 containment structure and that's what you're saying?

20 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes. The other thing I'll
21 tell you is that I have seen on the Internet some
22 absolutely bogus plume maps that somebody is putting
23 out that are just irresponsible. Somebody slapped the
24 NRC logo on a plume map --

25 (b)(6): Okay.

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1 ELIOT BRENNER: -- that projected twice
2 the level that would produce fatalities reaching the
3 United States. It is not ours. It is bogus. I've
4 gone out on the Internet and said so in many forms.

5 (b)(6): Okay.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Does that help?

7 (b)(6): Yes.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

9 (b)(6): Okay. Talk to you soon.

10 ELIOT BRENNER: Until tomorrow.

11 (b)(6): Yes.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: All right.

13 (b)(6): Yes, hopefully I'll learn
14 even more. Okay.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: Bye-bye.

16 (b)(6): Okay, thanks, Eliot.

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3 MALE PARTICIPANT: (b)(6)

4 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6) please.

5 MALE PARTICIPANT: May I ask who's
6 calling?

7 ELIOT BRENNER: Eliot Brenner, NRC.

8 MALE PARTICIPANT: Eliot Brenner, NRC?

9 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

10 MALE PARTICIPANT: One moment, sir. One
11 moment, sir.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Thank you.

13 MALE PARTICIPANT: Hi, you guys are
14 connected.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: Thank you. (b)(6) ?

16 (b)(6): Hey, Eliot.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: I was not being
18 unresponsive. Our email is screwed up and I --

19 (b)(6): Okay.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: -- was just able to see
21 your message. Yes, you have stated it correctly.

22 (b)(6): Thank you. I just, on those
23 kind of issues I never want to have the dot in the
24 wrong place.

25 ELIOT BRENNER: Thank you for checking,

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1 and I apologize. We've been having some technical
2 difficulties.

3 (b)(6): Look, I think you guys have
4 been very responsive and I appreciate how accessible
5 and quickly you've gotten back.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, I'm an old wire
7 service hack.

8 (b)(6): Well, you understand.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: I do what I can.

10 (b)(6): Yes, I know, and I greatly
11 appreciate it.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: All right.

13 (b)(6): Have a good evening.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: You too.

15 (b)(6): Bye.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: Bye-bye.

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3 ELIOT BRENNER: Eliot Brenner.

4 YVONNE: Hey, Eliot, it's Yvonne.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, dear.

6 YVONNE: I just want to verify, I had (b)(6)

7 They wanted me to send them, send graphics and so
8 forth and I sent it along with all the OPs stuff.
9 Bottom line, what BWRs are similar to the ones in
10 Japan? Is it the Mark Is?

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Mark Is.

12 YVONNE: Okay, so I'm going to confirm the
13 numbers. Mark I, there's 23.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

15 YVONNE: And we have a total of 35 BWRs, I
16 through IV.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes. I mean, they are
18 similar but not identical --

19 YVONNE: Okay.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: -- (b)(5)

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23 YVONNE: Okay. I'm going to tell them
24 that they are similar, okay?

25 ELIOT BRENNER: Similar, not the same.

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1 YVONNE: Okay. All right.

2 ELIOT BRENNER: Now the other thing is we
3 got, our emails are totally screwed up right now.

4 YVONNE: I had to reboot my computer
5 completely because of all the PDFs and stuff we have
6 to dump, okay --

7 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes,

8 YVONNE: -- or archive it or something.
9 That's what happened because I'm like, I had to do it
10 twice.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: So should I reboot my
12 computer?

13 YVONNE: Yes. You should also move stuff
14 to the archives.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, well I --

16 YVONNE: Or dump, because remember all
17 those PDFs, those are all sucking, you know, and every
18 time you send it out that's another sucking in memory.

19 ELIOT BRENNER: All right. Well, just a
20 second. I, you know what I'm going to do, I'm going
21 to spend a minute cleaning up my email.

22 YVONNE: I had to do that twice, but I
23 also had to, I would suggest rebooting too, after
24 you've done that.

25 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, I will do that. Now

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1 what I wanted to tell you was that, do not worry about
2 doing a new picture tonight --

3 YVONNE: Okay.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: -- because I can't read
5 the caption. The thing is so screwed up.

6 YVONNE: Oh.

7 ELIOT BRENNER: So we'll deal with a new
8 picture in the morning.

9 YVONNE: Okay.

10 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay?

11 YVONNE: All right.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Thank you.

13 YVONNE: Hey, what time, hey, so what is
14 my schedule for today and tomorrow?

15 ELIOT BRENNER: Your schedule for tomorrow
16 is --

17 YVONNE: 9 a.m.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: 9 to 7.

19 YVONNE: Okay.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay?

21 YVONNE: Okay, and tonight?

22 ELIOT BRENNER: Tonight?

23 YVONNE: Yes.

24 ELIOT BRENNER: It's 7 o'clock somewhere.

25 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: I was hoping that

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1 she, you would say --

2 YVONNE: I thought I was staying until 9.

3 ELIOT BRENNER: Oh. Stay until Beth gets
4 here.

5 YVONNE: Oh, okay. Okay --

6 ELIOT BRENNER: And then put the phones up
7 on the answering machine to reading the script.

8 YVONNE: Right.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: And then people over here
10 will have to check it regularly.

11 YVONNE: Okay.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay?

13 YVONNE: All right.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: Thank you.

15 YVONNE: Okay.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: Bye-bye.

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3 (b)(6) : (b)(6)

4 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, is (b)(6) in,
5 please?

6 (b)(6) : This is he.

7 ELIOT BRENNER: This is Eliot Brenner at
8 the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

9 (b)(6) : How are you?

10 ELIOT BRENNER: Pretty good. I apologize,
11 you called earlier and I was running behind here. Our
12 email was broken down.

13 (b)(6) : That's fine.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: What was it you were
15 looking for? My notes here say 5-minute phone
16 interview and a morning.

17 (b)(6) : Correct, for tomorrow
18 morning, probably around 7:15?

19 ELIOT BRENNER: Oh, (b)(6), I'm not going to
20 be in here at that hour.

21 (b)(6) : Oh, well, it's a phone
22 interview there.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: Oh, yes, geez, I could do
24 that anywhere, man.

25 (b)(6) : Yes.

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1 ELIOT BRENNER: You know, I actually have
2 a staffer who is going to be in at 7. Now describe
3 for me what it is you want to talk about.

4 (b)(6): We basically want to talk
5 about the situation in Japan when it comes to the
6 nuclear exposure and if there are radiation, you know,
7 what's going on there when it comes to that, what does
8 that mean --

9 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, now it's, let me
10 just stop you right there.

11 (b)(6): Yes.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: We can't speak with
13 authority --

14 (b)(6): Okay.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: -- about what's going on
16 in Japan. This is entirely a Japanese issue.

17 (b)(6): Yes.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: We can, so I can't tell
19 you well, at 12:31 a.m. Reactor Number 37 experienced
20 a total framitz.

21 (b)(6): Oh, of course not, no.

22 ELIOT BRENNER: So which, and nor can we
23 speak for the Japanese government.

24 (b)(6): Right, right. We're not
25 expecting that at all. We want your perspective,

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1 looking, you know, somebody outside looking in with
2 the experience that, you know, you guys have and --

3 ELIOT BRENNER: Right. And the other
4 thing I'll tell you is that we are not going to
5 comment on what the Japanese are doing.

6 (b)(6): When you're saying what
7 they're doing from this.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, see, I'm not going
9 to, I don't want our agency to be put in a position of
10 second guessing what the Japanese are doing.

11 (b)(6): Got you. Okay. And that
12 is totally understandable, and we can work with that.

13 ELIOT BRENNER: So what I could do is tell
14 you what the NRC has done. So I'm a little nervous,
15 I'm a little leery about doing this because the way
16 you're describing what you want to know, it's, it
17 doesn't jive with what I can talk about.

18 (b)(6): And that's totally
19 understandable. And I don't want to put either one of
20 us in a compromising --

21 ELIOT BRENNER: Right. Right, I think I
22 would probably be better off, if you were looking for
23 an update on Japan, declining. I hate to do it
24 because I am instinctively one that wants to help.

25 (b)(6): I totally understand.

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1 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay?

2 (b)(6): Okay, I appreciate it.

3 ELIOT BRENNER: All right, and thank you
4 for checking. That doesn't mean I won't want to pick
5 up the phone and say hey, we need your air, can we
6 talk --

7 (b)(6): Oh, yes, we would be --

8 ELIOT BRENNER: -- at a later point.

9 (b)(6): We would be more than
10 happy to have you guys on.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, thanks a lot.

12 (b)(6): Thank you.

13 ELIOT BRENNER: Bye.

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3 (b)(6): Nuclear Regulatory Commission, may
4 I help you?

5 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)

6 (b)(6): Is this Eliot?

7 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, it is.

8 (b)(6): Hi, Eliot.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: I have an email from you
10 that, I apologize, is six hours old. How can I help
11 you?

12 (b)(6): I don't have any additional
13 questions at this time.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

15 (b)(6): So I'll --

16 ELIOT BRENNER: I will put down that
17 (b)(6) is thoroughly satisfied with the service it
18 received from the NRC.

19 (b)(6): Six hours later, yes.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes. I'm sorry, man.
21 I've just been going like --

22 (b)(6): No, no, that's --

23 ELIOT BRENNER: -- batshit here.

24 (b)(6): I, I'll tell you what, I'll put it
25 down on my books, you know, get a sooner call next

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1 time.

2 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes. Yes.

3 (b)(6): No, I did have questions but I've
4 written the story and filed it, and it's gone. And
5 that was a long time ago and I'm onto several stories
6 later.

7 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, that's fine. And
8 anything you need to follow up with us, call the main
9 number after 7, leave a message. I'll have people
10 checking it regularly. Or send an email to, not me
11 because I'm going to be gone. But I believe (b)(6) is
12 at opa.resource@nrc.gov.

13 (b)(6): Okay.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: opa.resource@nrc.gov.
15 And that's a kind of a general mailbox that we will
16 check from time to time.

17 (b)(6): Okay, that's one of the ones I
18 send it to when I --

19 ELIOT BRENNER: At least that's what they
20 tell me.

21 (b)(6): -- for now. Let me see, opa dot -
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23 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, (b)(6) is not tonight.
24 I got somebody else working.

25 (b)(6): Well, that's good for him because

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1 he, he's been in a much --

2 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, he was kind of like
3 totally (b)(6) when he left here this morning.

4 (b)(6): Yes, I can imagine. Let me
5 something here. Under opa.resource@nrc.gov, yes, I've
6 got that. I've got that.

7 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, okay. I'm just trying
8 to check to be sure I gave it to you right, but we'll
9 see.

10 (b)(6): Yes, all right. I have that one.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: It either works or it
12 doesn't.

13 (b)(6): That's the one I'm supposed to
14 send.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

16 (b)(6): And that one does work for (b)(6),
17 yes.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, good.

19 (b)(6): Okay. Thank you, Eliot.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

21 (b)(6): All right.

22 ELIOT BRENNER: Bye-bye.

23 (b)(6): Bye.

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3 ELIOT BRENNER: Brenner.

4 HALEY: Hey, it's Haley.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, dear.

6 HALEY: I actually wanted to know if Dave
7 needed a break.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Dave, would you like to
9 take a break?

10 DAVE: I'm doing all right.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: He says he's doing okay.

12 HALEY: That's fine. I mean, now that I'm
13 here he does have the ability to walk away from --

14 ELIOT BRENNER: Right.

15 HALEY: -- the keyboard.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

17 HALEY: All right.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: We'll let you know.

19 HALEY: All right.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: Bye.

21 HALEY: Bye.

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3 ELIOT BRENNER: Eliot Brenner.

4 MARK ABRAMOVITZ: Hey, Eliot, this is Mark
5 Abramovitz. I've got a bridge started with Josh
6 Batkin.

7 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, thanks. I just saw
8 the email.

9 MARK ABRAMOVITZ: Okay, I'm going to put
10 you up on the bridge with him.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, that's fine. Thank
12 you.

13 MARK ABRAMOVITZ: Just let me get the rest
14 of the people.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: I'm on a conference with
16 the Chairman.

17 MARK ABRAMOVITZ: Oh, geez. All right,
18 I'll transfer you up.

19 ELIOT BRENNER: Thanks.

20 MALE PARTICIPANT: This call may be
21 recorded. If you need the assistance of an operations
22 operator during the call press star zero.
23 Transferring to the management conference. After the
24 tone please state your name and organization, followed
25 by the pound key.

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1 ELIOT BRENNER: Eliot Brenner. (b)(6)

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3 (b)(6) Anybody home?

4 MARK ABRAMOVITZ: Josh is on.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: You're supposed to say,
6 ain't nobody here but us chickens.

7 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: I never know the
8 appropriate protocol in these instances.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: Stick with me, guys.

10 JOSH BATKIN: Sorry. Yes, buddy, I'll be
11 right there. I think (b)(6) have now been on
12 some recorded lines.

13 ELIOT BRENNER: Do they feel special
14 because of that?

15 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yes?

16 JOSH BATKIN: (b)(6)

17 (b)(6)
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19 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Right.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)

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23 JOSH BATKIN: Oh, yes. (b)(6)

24 (b)(6) I had no idea. (b)(6)

25 (b)(6)

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FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Mr. Batkin, did you get my email?

JOSH BATKIN: No.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Oh, okay.

JOSH BATKIN: No, I don't have an email from you.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: You don't?

JOSH BATKIN: From when?

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Five minutes ago.

JOSH BATKIN: No.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: It says it was sent at 5:24.

JOSH BATKIN: No.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay.

JOSH BATKIN: No.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Let me tried to just forward it again.

JOSH BATKIN: (b)(6)

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FEMALE PARTICIPANT: (b)(6)

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JOSH BATKIN: Yes, no, not with --

1 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: So he's not, you know
2 he's, I was hoping that perhaps he might not want to
3 hang out here all night?

4 JOSH BATKIN: Yes.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: I ain't, I can assure you.
6 Thanks very much.

7 JOSH BATKIN: Becky, are you on this?

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Say what?

9 JOSH BATKIN: I was checking for Becky.

10 ELIOT BRENNER: Oh.

11 JOSH BATKIN: (b)(6)

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14 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Now maybe you'll get
15 my email. I'm kind of worried. I can't understand
16 why you're not getting them.

17 JOSH BATKIN: No. I actually have not
18 very many emails left.

19 ELIOT BRENNER: I think we are, many of us
20 are on different servers and there's a, can be a
21 substantial time lag --

22 JOSH BATKIN: Oh, yes?

23 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Oh.

24 ELIOT BRENNER: -- in moving things
25 around, because I've had people send me stuff, you

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1 know, from one office removed and it takes 10 minutes.

2 And I've had somebody, you know, send me something
3 from our region and it's here in an instant.

4 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Well, while we're
5 waiting for the others can I go ahead and start with
6 the two of you on at least what I emailed you, Josh,
7 about and then --

8 JOSH BATKIN: I'm going to put you on mute
9 while you're talking, so just give me a second if you
10 need me.

11 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay. So, Eliot and
12 Josh, I think Josh and I had spoken earlier about

13 (b)(5)

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And I said, well --

17 ELIOT BRENNER: Whoa.

18 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: -- let's, let me get
19 Eliot and Becky or some version thereof, even if it's
20 a shorter, condensed version or something. But he, I
21 said, let me get Eliot and Becky. And he wanted, you
22 know, Bill on there too and Josh and I to --

23 JOSH BATKIN: Okay, that was exactly what
24 I wanted to talk about.

25 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay, I wasn't sure,

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1 so.

2 JOSH BATKIN: If he wanted Bill on that
3 conversation, then let's get him on because that's
4 exactly what I wanted to talk about.

5 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay. Then let me
6 get, I'm going to put you on hold and I'm going to
7 have Patty have Bill put the --

8 JOSH BATKIN: Is a HOO on?

9 MALE PARTICIPANT: This is the
10 headquarters operations officer. Rebecca Schmidt
11 (phonetic) (b)(6)

12 She'll be back in about a half an hour and she did not
13 take her Blackberry with her.

14 JOSH BATKIN: Okay. Can you, could you
15 get Amy Powell and also Bill Borchardt to join us?

16 MALE PARTICIPANT: Amy Powell and Bill
17 Borchardt.

18 JOSH BATKIN: Yes, please.

19 MALE PARTICIPANT: Okay. And also Susan
20 Moy (phonetic) is not answering her phone.

21 JOSH BATKIN: Okay, we'll go without her
22 but we need Amy and Bill.

23 MALE PARTICIPANT: Okay, I'm working on
24 those.

25 JOSH BATKIN: Thank you, sir.

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1 ELIOT BRENNER: I've got some thoughts
2 about this.

3 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay. That shocks
4 me, Eliot.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)
6 (b)(5)
7 (b)(5)

8 JOSH BATKIN: But now that you say that.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: No, then as --

10 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Two minutes makes a
11 difference.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: -- (b)(5)

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22 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: The second is the --

24 JOSH BATKIN: Although, Eliot, I mean,
25 were you on the call this morning when they said

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ELIOT BRENNER: Well, and I was just in a call with Margie (phonetic), you know, about, you know, it with the Japanese and this, that and the other, which is being taken care of.

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JOSH BATKIN:

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ELIOT BRENNER:

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MALE PARTICIPANT: Hey, Josh, this is the headquarters operations officer. Mr. Borchardt

1 requested he be put on, that with connect this with
2 the ET bridge. Is that satisfactory?

3 JOSH BATKIN: I prefer if, I prefer to do
4 it on this one.

5 MALE PARTICIPANT: No, no. What I mean is
6 he wants me to connect your bridge to his bridge.

7 ELIOT BRENNER: Becky Schmidt?

8 JOSH BATKIN: Right, I prefer not to have
9 it on the ET bridge.

10 MALE PARTICIPANT: Okay, I will tell him
11 that.

12 AMY: I'm just Amy. I'm on the line as
13 well.

14 JOSH BATKIN: Hello.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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18 JOSH BATKIN: Right.

19 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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25 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: What are we talking

1 about posting? I missed that first part.

2 JOSH BATKIN: We're talking about, hold on
3 one second. (b)(5)

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6 MALE PARTICIPANT: Bill Borchardt will be
7 coming up as soon as he finishes another bridge.

8 JOSH BATKIN: Okay.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: The other thing, and I'm
10 looking at this, that I would, for the time being,

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14 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yes.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: -- to discuss with, say,
16 counterparts.

17 JOSH BATKIN: Yes.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)
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20 JOSH BATKIN: Yes, yes.

21 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yes.

22 JOSH BATKIN: And those, we are definitely
23 not in a position to --

24 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

25 (b)(5) And it, frankly,

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5 JOSH BATKIN: Okay, well let's go ahead
6 and chat. And then if Bill comes on, we'll get his
7 input, and if not we can do that separately. So Amy
8 and Angela, are you still there?

9 AMY: Yes.

10 JOSH BATKIN:

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16 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Right.

17 JOSH BATKIN: --

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21 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Correct.

22 BECKY SCHMIDT: Yes.

23 JOSH BATKIN: Okay, so, is that Becky?

24 BECKY SCHMIDT: Yes.

25 JOSH BATKIN: Hey. Okay, so we were

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Angela, my

4 Black Berry is not working --

5 ANGELA: It's off.

6 JOSH BATKIN: -- (b)(5)

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17 BECKY SCHMIDT: (b)(5)

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JOSH BATKIN: Right.

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FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yes.

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JOSH BATKIN: Okay.

ELIOT BRENNER: without --

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BECKY SCHMIDT:

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JOSH BATKIN: Okay.

BECKY SCHMIDT:

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JOSH BATKIN:

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AMY:

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JOSH BATKIN: Okay.

AMY:

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JOSH BATKIN:

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BECKY SCHMIDT:

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17 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Sure.

18 JOSH BATKIN: Okay.

19 ELIOT BRENNER: Certainly.

20 JOSH BATKIN: And if you think it is a
21 good idea and you have an idea, and you want to have
22 some examples that we can talk about at 8, we can do
23 that then.

24 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay.

25 JOSH BATKIN: Okay.

1 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Sounds good.

2 JOSH BATKIN: And we'll try to get Bill
3 looped into that conversation.

4 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay. I'll try to
5 give him a heads-up.

6 JOSH BATKIN: Okay, great. Thank you.

7 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: No problem. Thanks,
8 Josh.

9 JOSH BATKIN: Okay, I'm out. Thanks.

10 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Bye.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Bye.

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3 ELIOT BRENNER: Stick around. I'm going
4 to show you how it's done.

5 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: (b)(5)

6 JOSH BATKIN: (b)(5)

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8 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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10 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: This is (b)(6), (b)(6)
11 speaking.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, is (b)(6)
13 (phonetic) in, please.

14 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Sure. May I ask
15 who's calling?

16 ELIOT BRENNER: Eliot Brenner, Nuclear
17 Regulatory Commission.

18 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Thank you. Hold on
19 one second.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: Come on, kid. Got a
21 bigwig down the phone. It's going to make your needle
22 bounce. How do you like that Blackberry?

23 MALE PARTICIPANT: Oh, see, it's a little
24 bit smaller.

25 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Hi, Mr. Brenner.

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1 We'll be with you in just a few more moments. Thanks
2 so much.

3 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, it's, I like the
4 browser in it much better, much faster. But, frankly,
5 I preferred the other one for texting and driving.

6 (b)(6): Hi, good afternoon. This
7 is (b)(6). How are you?

8 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6) Eliot
9 Brenner.

10 (b)(6): Hi, how are you, Eliot?

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Oh, fair to middling.

12 (b)(6): Yes, not a good time
13 right now, is it?

14 ELIOT BRENNER: Well, we're a little busy.

15 (b)(6): Yes.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: I can read this statement
17 to you. That's all I can do.

18 (b)(6): Okay.

19 ELIOT BRENNER: I'm not going to do any
20 questions.

21 (b)(6): That's fine, Eliot. I'm
22 rolling tape. Just give me your name and title. I'm
23 recording this for broadcast.

24 ELIOT BRENNER: Eliot, E-L-I-O-T, Brenner,
25 B-R-E-N-N-E-R, Director of the Office of Public

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1 Affairs.

2 (b)(6): Go right ahead, read your
3 statement, Eliot.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: 3-2-1. The Nuclear
5 Regulatory Commission is coordinating with the
6 Department of Energy and other federal agencies in
7 providing whatever assistance the Japanese government
8 requests as they respond to conditions at several
9 nuclear power plant sites following the March 11th
10 earthquake and tsunami.

11 The NRC has sent two boiling water reactor
12 experts to Japan as part of the U.S. Agency for
13 International Development team. In response to
14 nuclear emergencies the NRC works with other U.S.
15 agencies to monitor radioactive releases and predict
16 their path.

17 All the available information indicates
18 weather conditions have taken the small releases from
19 the reactors out to sea, away from the population.
20 Given the thousands of miles between the two
21 countries, Hawaii, Alaska, the U.S. territories and
22 the U.S. West Coast are not expected to experience any
23 harmful levels of radioactivity.

24 During a nuclear event the NRC has
25 requirements to protect populations around reactors.

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1 For instance, the U.S. Evacuation Standard at 10 miles
2 is roughly equivalent to the 20-kilometer distance
3 recommended in Japan. The United States also uses
4 sheltering in place and potassium iodide, protective
5 measures also available in Japan.

6 United States citizens in Japan are
7 encouraged to follow the protective measures
8 recommended by the Japanese government. The NRC will
9 not comment on hour-to-hour developments in the
10 Japanese reactor issue. This is an ongoing crisis for
11 the Japanese, who have primary responsibility.

12 (b)(6) : Okay, that's good, Eliot.

13 ELIOT BRENNER: That works for you?

14 (b)(6) : It works just fine.

15 Thank you very much for your help, Eliot.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: You're welcome.

17 (b)(6) : Good night to you.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: Bye-bye.

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3 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: I'll try to get OPI
4 first. Otherwise I will, our paths will cross
5 tomorrow.

6 HOLLY: Okay. Sounds good. See you
7 later, Neil.

8 NEIL SHEEHAN: All right, Holly. Thanks
9 for your help.

10 (b)(6) : (b)(6)
11 (phonetic).

12 NEIL SHEEHAN: Hi, (b)(6) it's Neil
13 Sheehan in Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

14 (b)(6) Hi, Neil, thanks for
15 calling back.

16 NEIL SHEEHAN: You're welcome.

17 (b)(6) : May I read you a few
18 things and tell me how to interrupt them and if
19 they're true?

20 NEIL SHEEHAN: Sure. Go ahead.

21 (b)(6) : Okay. And this is what
22 Leiberman said this morning on Face The Nation. I'm
23 just trying to find the transcript here. Sorry. We
24 have 104 nuclear power plants in our country.

25 NEIL SHEEHAN: True, 104 reactors.

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1 (b)(6) : Reactors?

2 NEIL SHEEHAN: Yes, some sites have more
3 than one reactor, like Millstone would have, it has
4 two operating reactors.

5 (b)(6) : Right.

6 NEIL SHEEHAN: So, the sites, 104
7 reactors.

8 (b)(6) : Okay. And he said that
9 23, were is this? 23 are built according to designs
10 that are similar to the nuclear power plants in Japan.
11 What does he mean by that?

12 NEIL SHEEHAN: Well, the plant in, the
13 plants in Japan that have been involved in this are
14 boiling water reactors. So, yes, there are boiling
15 water reactors in the United States as well, General
16 Electric design.

17 (b)(6) : Okay. But, and there's
18 only 23 boiling water reactors in the U.S.?

19 NEIL SHEEHAN: Roughly half of the U.S.
20 fleet are pressurized water reactors, the other half
21 about boiling water reactors. So we don't know the
22 answer to that. I think he needs to reflect our
23 different types of designs.

24 (b)(6) : Okay. Tell me, since
25 you mentioned Millstone, we're also, our listening

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1 area includes or borders on Indian Point. Well, it's
2 near Indian Point. So Millstone is a boiling water
3 reactor?

4 NEIL SHEEHAN: No, actually they're both
5 pressurized water reactors, different design than
6 those involved in Japan.

7 (b)(6) : All right.

8 NEIL SHEEHAN: And, as well, same applies
9 to Indian Point. They're both pressurized water
10 reactors.

11 (b)(6) : Okay, he also said,
12 thank you for that, he also said that since Three Mile
13 Island we upgraded safety standards so that that
14 plants could withstand the highest known earthquake
15 plus with a margin of safety.

16 NEIL SHEEHAN: Run that by me again. I'm
17 sorry.

18 (b)(6) : He said since the Three
19 Mile Island accident we've upgraded safety standards
20 and we can withstand the highest known earthquake in
21 the region where the plant is located, plus a margin
22 of safety.

23 NEIL SHEEHAN: Right, that's, well, I
24 mean, when they were designed they were built to
25 withstand the worst historical earthquake in the area,

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1 plus a safety margin on top of that.

2 (b)(6) : Right. Okay.

3 NEIL SHEEHAN: So, but we have been
4 looking at whether the seismic analyses need to be
5 updated.

6 (b)(6) : Okay.

7 NEIL SHEEHAN: Yes.

8 (b)(6) : And let me just ask you
9 about currently, projects that are currently seeking a
10 license.

11 NEIL SHEEHAN: Yes.

12 (b)(6) : I counted, I don't
13 know, 19 projects. That could be more than one
14 reactor at each project, just from your Web site.

15 NEIL SHEEHAN: Yes, I mean, right, there
16 are 18 sites, 20 to 27 reactors if you add them all
17 up, of course. You know, they're all in different
18 stages of review --

19 (b)(6) : Right.

20 NEIL SHEEHAN: -- and some of them, if you
21 look, hold on a second. Let me see if I can just find
22 that for a second. Some of the reviews have either
23 been halted or at least greatly slowed down.

24 (b)(6) : Why?

25 NEIL SHEEHAN: Well, for different

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1 reasons. Well, part of it has to do with loan
2 guarantees where some of the companies that they're
3 interested said they want to have more certainty with
4 loan guarantees before they proceed.

5 (b)(6): Okay.

6 NEIL SHEEHAN: Like, for instance, Nine
7 Mile Point 3, in Upstate New York, they basically
8 asked us to suspend our review pending more certainty
9 about loan guarantees.

10 (b)(6): Okay. Okay, are any
11 plants under construction now or are they all on --

12 NEIL SHEEHAN: Yes, I know the Vogtle
13 plant in Georgia, there are two units down there that
14 did not, begun doing the site work.

15 (b)(6): Okay.

16 NEIL SHEEHAN: I think that may be it, at
17 this point, actual work being done on the site.

18 (b)(6): Okay. I wish I could
19 talk to you about some other national issues but I'm
20 only, you know, want to read it off so --

21 NEIL SHEEHAN: No, understood.

22 (b)(6): -- and try to cover
23 what Leiberman's talking about and the plants in our
24 region, of course. Okay, I really appreciate your
25 call.

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1 NEIL SHEEHAN: Sure, you're welcome. Let
2 me know if you need anything else. Okay.

3 (b)(6): Can I reach you
4 directly somehow?

5 NEIL SHEEHAN: Well, I'll give you my
6 cell, (b)(6) You can also send me an email,
7 neil.sheehan@nrc.gov.

8 (b)(6): All right, great. And
9 it's (b)(6) the last four of your cell?

10 NEIL SHEEHAN: Yes, (b)(6)

11 (b)(6): Great, thanks so much.

12 NEIL SHEEHAN: Sure, you're welcome.
13 Okay.

14 (b)(6): Bye-bye.

15 NEIL SHEEHAN: Bye.

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3 ELIOT BRENNER: Eliot Brenner.

4 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Can you call (b)(6)

5 (b)(6) right away?

6 ELIOT BRENNER: No.

7 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Oh.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Tell her I will get back
9 to her shortly. I'm working on something with the

10 (b)(5).

11 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Thank you.

13 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Can you give me her
14 number because I --

15 ELIOT BRENNER: Her number (b)(6)

16 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay, I'll tell her.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: Thank you. Bye.

18 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Bye.

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3 ELIOT BRENNER: Eliot Brenner.

4 (b)(6): Hey, it's (b)(6)

5 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, man.

6 (b)(6): My buddy.

7 ELIOT BRENNER: Let's do news, dude.

8 (b)(6): That's right. So it sounds
9 like there's three new things happening. I think I
10 just sent you an email of all three.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Let me pull up my press
12 release and then get your email.

13 (b)(6): I just had it summarized, the
14 three things.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)

16 (b)(6): I bet.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: I'll tell you. All right

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19 (b)(6): The three new things, one,

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22 ELIOT BRENNER: Oh, yes, yes, yes, that --

23 (b)(6): That (b)(6) made.

24 ELIOT BRENNER: -- response to a query
25 that I was looking at.

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1 (b)(6) : Yes.

2 ELIOT BRENNER: All right.

3 (b)(6) : We want to make sure that
4 NRC's good with that.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: I will, let me hand that
6 over to the pros.

7 (b)(6) : Cool.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: I can do that in a
9 minute, to --

10 (b)(6) : Is you guys, as you know, are
11 putting out, I guess, another statement.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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15 (Simultaneous speaking)

16 (b)(6) : We're going to do one, but
17 after you guys. (b)(5)

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20 ELIOT BRENNER: Exactly. I'm just going
21 to freshen my press release.

22 (b)(6) : Yes. And then the third
23 thing is if you guys could review our statement --

24 ELIOT BRENNER: Right.

25 (b)(6) -- which I pulled from your

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1 new language as well.

2 ELIOT BRENNER: Exactly. Let's do this.
3 I've got my press release on my screen.

4 (b)(6) Okay.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: And I've got some
6 suggested language. Let me read it to you and then
7 we'll talk about HOOs or anything else we need to add.

8 (b)(6): Okay.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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16 (b)(6): Yes, no, I agree.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: Anything else you want to
18 add?

19 (b)(6): Read, can you read me the --

20 ELIOT BRENNER: Sure.

21 (b)(6): -- thing again, the whole
22 thing?

23 ELIOT BRENNER: The whole paragraph would
24 read, (b)(5)

25 (b)(5)

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(b)(6): Although, hold on one minute.

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ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

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ELIOT BRENNER: All right, (b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER: Well --

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ELIOT BRENNER: I know that they have, or I know from press reports that they have told people to take a KI. I do not know if they --

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ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER: I'm sorry, should even include?

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ELIOT BRENNER: We could, well, see, here I an in the middle of changing a press release that's sitting out there, which is not a bad thing.

(b)(6): Oh, yes, that's already out there, isn't it?

ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, yes, it's already out there. (b)(5)

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(b)(6): Yes.

ELIOT BRENNER: You can reconstruct the language any way you want to.

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ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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4 DAVID: They just told people to stay
5 inside.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, one of my staffers
7 says they have told people to stay inside.

8 (b)(6): Great, there you go then.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5) --

10 (b)(6): (b)(5)

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13 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, all right, let me see
14 how we can work this language.

15 (b)(6): Yes

16 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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20 (b)(5) --

21 (b)(6): Yes, then --

22 ELIOT BRENNER: -- (b)(5)

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24 (b)(6): And then your next sentence
25 here, basically we say, (b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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(b)(6): And then when people ask what those are, you know, (b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, the, I think the Q&A there would be, (b)(5)

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(b)(6): (b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

(b)(6): -- (b)(5)

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1 ELIOT BRENNER:

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13 ELIOT BRENNER:

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16 (b)(6) : (b)(5)

17 ELIOT BRENNER:

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18 That's a very simple, declarative statement.

19 (b)(6) : Yes. (b)(5)

20 (b)(5)

21 (b)(5)

22 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay. It's, it ain't a

23 whole hell of a lot. (b)(5)

24 (b)(5)

25 (b)(6) : Yes.

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1 ELIOT BRENNER: Let me work on the
2 language.

3 (b)(6): Great.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: I'll send it to you very
5 quickly and then when you and I are square I will go
6 ahead and release the updated press release.

7 (b)(6): Okay.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: And then everything else
9 can follow.

10 (b)(6): Sounds good. All right, bye.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, talk to you in a few
12 minutes.

13 (b)(6): That's fine.

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3 NEIL SHEEHAN: NRC Public Affairs.

4 BILL: Hey, Neil. I've got this (b)(6)

5 (b)(6) on the phone. I'm going to connect you.

6 NEIL SHEEHAN: All right, great. Thanks
7 a lot, Bill. NRC Public Affairs.

8 (b)(6): Hi, is that Neil?

9 NEIL SHEEHAN: It is.

10 (b)(6): Hi, Neil. My name is (b)(6)

11 (b)(6) I'm calling from the (b)(6)

12 in (b)(6).

13 NEIL SHEEHAN: Yes.

14 (b)(6): I was calling in regards to
15 the two experts that you guys have dispatched to
16 Japan. I understand that they got there yesterday
17 or the day before. Is that right?

18 NEIL SHEEHAN: Yes, I'd have to check
19 exactly when they got there, but they're both, both
20 in position at this point.

21 (b)(6): And they were sent
22 specifically because they're Boiling Water Reactor
23 experts?

24 NEIL SHEEHAN: That's correct.

25 (b)(6): Now, what I was going to ask

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1 was whether they are available to speak to the press
2 at all, whether they could do an interview with the
3 (b)(6) on the ground, either one of those
4 two, two experts, or are they not doing interviews
5 as of yet?

6 NEIL SHEEHAN: They are not doing
7 interviews because they - obviously it took them
8 quite a while to get there, and they're just now
9 settling in and trying to -

10 (b)(6): Getting their heads around
11 it.

12 NEIL SHEEHAN: Yeah, exactly.

13 (b)(6): Cool. Neil, have you been
14 in touch with them recently or -

15 NEIL SHEEHAN: Well -

16 (b)(6): I mean -

17 NEIL SHEEHAN: There's certain - we are -

18 (b)(6): - that you guys can say as
19 an organization or -

20 NEIL SHEEHAN: Well, yes, I mean, the
21 staff here has been, they've been in contact with
22 them since they've been there. But as far - we're
23 not talking about the specifics of what's going on
24 in Japan because the Japanese regulators, you know,
25 they're - it's their issues, and they're the ones

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1 who have got their hands around it.

2 (b)(6)

3 : Right, so what, what, what
4 are you, what are you guys able to say?

5 NEIL SHEEHAN: Well, I mean, we're able
6 to say that we're continuing to coordinate with
7 other agencies. We are monitoring certainly to make
8 sure there are no impacts on the U.S. or any of the
9 territories, and we're going to continue to watch
10 that.

11 That's - what we - we've offered
12 assistance to the Japanese if they, if they request
13 it. At this point, they have not asked for, you
14 know, the stamp for the NRC's help. I mean,
15 certainly the U.S. military is over there assisting.

16 (b)(6)

17 : And you guys, I mean, your
18 brief is that you are - got the U.S. government body
19 set up to - basically, do you regulate them with the
20 nuclear industry within the U.S. in order to make
21 sure that it's safe and sticking within guidelines,
22 or what is your brief when it comes to something
23 like this?

24 NEIL SHEEHAN: Yes, I mean, our mandate
25 is to make sure that the U.S. reactors are operated
safely, and we do that through inspections. We have
inspectors based at all the plants, and then we send

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1 in specialists to support the inspectors who are
2 based at the plants.

3 We review applications for new reactors,
4 obviously, and we also deal with some nuclear
5 materials that - in those states where the states
6 haven't taken over those responsibilities.

7 (b)(6) : And are you guys, I mean,
8 you've stepped up with 24-hour lines, and why is
9 that? Is that to monitor peoples' fears about
10 nuclear power in the States, or is that to monitor
11 the situation in Japan, or what's, what's the
12 purpose of that?

13 NEIL SHEEHAN: Well, it's a combination.
14 We want to keep close tabs on things so that if the
15 Japanese did request our assistance, we would be
16 able to provide that in a very timely fashion.
17 We're also, obviously, expecting many questions from
18 the American public.

19 (b)(6) : Right.

20 NEIL SHEEHAN: And so, we want to be
21 prepared to answer those kinds of questions. The
22 chairman of our agency will be testifying before
23 Congress this week. He, obviously, would like to
24 stay up on everything that's happening. And we want
25 to get lessons learned for the U.S. reactors.

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1 (b)(6) : Yes.

2 NEIL SHEEHAN: That's going to be
3 crucial, you know, the -

4 (b)(6) : I guess particularly on the
5 west coast and sort of, you know, seismic regions I
6 suppose or -

7 NEIL SHEEHAN: That's exactly right. The
8 - those areas of the country that have the most
9 seismic activity would be of great interest. So,
10 we, we've studied earthquake issues before, we've
11 studied tsunami issues before, and anything that we
12 can learn from these events, we would certainly want
13 to do that.

14 (b)(6) : And if the Japanese
15 government were to request your agency's assistance,
16 then what do you guys do? Do you have a team that
17 mobilizes, or what shape does that take?

18 NEIL SHEEHAN: Well, we haven't had too
19 many situations in the past where foreign
20 governments have asked for assistance with reactors.

21 But, you know, if they did, we could send teams of
22 reactor safety experts. We have health physicists.

23 We have radiation safety expertise.

24 We have emergency planning expertise.
25 So, whatever they would request, we would seek to

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1 provide that. And we've got an, obviously, a long
2 standing relationship with the Japanese regulators
3 as we have the regulators in other countries with
4 nuclear power plants, including the UK.

5 MR. LYNCH: Grand. What I was going to
6 ask though, do you think it would be okay to go
7 ahead and do an interview along the same lines as
8 the conversation that we just had, but with
9 (inaudible) and could we do that, do you think, at
10 the top of the hour, say it'd be 8:00 a.m. my time,
11 which I guess is probably, I don't know, midnight
12 your time or coming up to that?

13 NEIL SHEEHAN: Yes, but I might be a
14 little, just to warn you, I may be a little more
15 constrained. At this point, they're asking us to
16 play it pretty close to the vest because -

17 MR. LYNCH: Okay.

18 NEIL SHEEHAN: Yeah, because of where
19 things are.

20 MR. LYNCH: Well, I mean, it's going to
21 be recorded.

22 NEIL SHEEHAN: Right, I understand, I
23 understand.

24 MR. LYNCH: So, we've got option - what
25 I'm saying is because it's recorded, we've got the

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1 option at any point to, you know, you can actually,
2 "I'd like to rephrase that," or, "I don't know if I
3 feel comfortable going that far," or, "I don't want
4 to answer that question," then that's all fine
5 because we'll record it, and then we're going to
6 edit it, and then play it an hour after that.

7 NEIL SHEEHAN: Okay, all right. So, how
8 long of a, how long of an interview are you
9 contemplating?

10 MR. LYNCH: I'd imagine it would be sort
11 of five to six minutes tops.

12 NEIL SHEEHAN: Five or six minutes?

13 MR. LYNCH: Yeah, I mean, anywhere from
14 sort of, you know, three-three to three to eight
15 minutes would be the - and then that would edit down
16 to about a three minute interview.

17 NEIL SHEEHAN: Right, right. Yeah, I
18 mean, we'd be glad to do that, but we'd probably
19 keep saying, "It's fairly high level."

20 MR. LYNCH: Okay.

21 NEIL SHEEHAN: And that we're -

22 MR. LYNCH: And what would be the best
23 number for me to call at the top of the hour?

24 NEIL SHEEHAN: It's 301-816-5107.

25 MR. LYNCH: Okay. And Neil, I'm sorry,

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1 I didn't catch your last name.

2 NEIL SHEEHAN: Oh, sure, it's Sheehan, S-
3 H-E-E-H-A-N, first name Neil, N-E-I-L.

4 MR. LYNCH: Okay, and so what I'll do is
5 I'll set up a chat line with them now, and I will
6 give you a call back on that number in, I guess,
7 around 20 minutes, and we'll record that. And as I
8 said, you know, anything you feel uncomfortable
9 with, or you don't want to go too far, then feel
10 free to stop it at any time, and then we'll rephrase
11 it and remix it as it were.

12 NEIL SHEEHAN: Okay.

13 MR. LYNCH: All right --

14 NEIL SHEEHAN: Sure, that's fine,
15 whenever you're ready.

16 MR. LYNCH: Okay.

17 NEIL SHEEHAN: Okay.

18 MR. LYNCH: Great, bye.

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4 NEIL SHEEHAN: NRC Public Affairs?

5 MR. LYNCH: Hi, is that Neil? It's
6 Pearse here in the studio. Sorry I'm a little bit
7 late in calling.

8 NEIL SHEEHAN: Oh, it's okay. Yes, this
9 is Neil.

10 MR. LYNCH: Great, I will put this line
11 through to the desk, and my engineer will just check
12 that the line is okay, and then you'll be hearing
13 from Dan.

14 NEIL SHEEHAN: Dan?

15 MR. LYNCH: Dan Damon, our presenter.

16 NEIL SHEEHAN: All right, fair enough.

17 MR. LYNCH: He'll be asking the
18 questions. NEIL SHEEHAN: Yes.

19 MR. LYNCH: Also, sir, we have a couple
20 clips that we're just going to play to you
21 beforehand, with a Mr. Gilinsky, who is formerly
22 from the NRC. He talked to the BBC on Saturday.

23 NEIL SHEEHAN: Mm-hmm, Victor Gilinsky,
24 yeah.

25 MR. LYNCH: Yeah, that's correct, yeah.

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1 So, just to let you know, we're going to play those
2 to you down the line, and then Dan may refer to
3 those clips in the interview.

4 NEIL SHEEHAN: Okay.

5 MR. LYNCH: Okay, thanks.

6 ENGINEER: Hello, sir?

7 NEIL SHEEHAN: Yes, hello.

8 ENGINEER: Hello there, it's the
9 engineer. Can you hear me?

10 NEIL SHEEHAN: I can.

11 ENGINEER: Great, sir. I'm just going
12 to play you these clips, okay?

13 NEIL SHEEHAN: All right.

14 ENGINEER: Here we go. Oh, sorry, we're
15 just getting down towards the studio. He's just on
16 his way through. Sorry to keep you waiting.

17 NEIL SHEEHAN: It's all right.

18 MR. DAMON: Hello?

19 NEIL SHEEHAN: Hello.

20 MR. DAMON: Hello, how are you?

21 NEIL SHEEHAN: Fine, how are you?

22 MR. DAMON: Excellent, and thank you for
23 doing this interview. We're going to play you these
24 couple of clips from Mr. Gilinsky, and then we'll do
25 the interview. Thanks so much.

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1 NEIL SHEEHAN: All right.

2 (CLIP BEGINS)

3 MR. GILINSKY: The real question is, you
4 know, where does the radiation come from? Is it as
5 a result of fuel having been damaged and thereby
6 releasing nuclear waste that's in radioactive
7 materials? We just don't know enough about what is
8 actually happening there, but it looks like there
9 may have been something that, and that is certainly
10 concerning.

11 The operators have also said, you know,
12 the level of water is going down in the reactor.
13 For safety, the water has to cover the nuclear fuel.
14 If it goes down below the top of the nuclear fuel,
15 the fuel will overheat, and you don't have the same
16 protection that you had, and it can release
17 radioactive material.

18 You know, one hopes it doesn't go beyond
19 that. My experience with these things is that it
20 generally, as the situation generally worsens,
21 officials are relating, and that seems to be true in
22 all countries. People tend to get a bit defensive.

23 These plants are licensed to a standard
24 which is lower than an 8.9 earthquake, you know,
25 let's say 100 miles away where it occurred here.

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1 The situation they're encountering is probably
2 beyond what they prepared for or what they
3 engineered for. And I know, for example, we have
4 earthquake problems here in California. The two
5 plants we have here are certainly not licensed to a
6 standard to withstand an earthquake of this size.

7 (CLIP CONCLUDED)

8 MR. DAMON: Okay, so let's get going.
9 Could you just say your name, please?

10 NEIL SHEEHAN: Yes, it's Neil Sheehan.
11 I'm a spokesman for the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory
12 Commission.

13 MR. DAMON: And first, I understand
14 there are restrictions, but what kind of help does
15 the U.S. NRC have that it could offer the Japanese,
16 or indeed is offering?

17 NEIL SHEEHAN: We did send two experts in
18 the area of Boiling Water Reactors to Tokyo. They
19 arrived yesterday. They are advising the U.S.
20 ambassador to Japan. They are providing technical
21 assistance to the ambassador and to our counterpart
22 agency in Japan, and they're also keeping us
23 apprised of developments taking place at the
24 reactors in the north of Japan.

25 MR. DAMON: Is that because of your

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1 concerns about what's happening in Japan, or that
2 this may affect the United States?

3 NEIL SHEEHAN: Well, it would be both.
4 Obviously we want to keep very close tabs on any
5 developments involving the reactors in the north of
6 Japan. We are very concerned with the safety of
7 U.S. reactors. We'd like to learn exactly what's
8 taking place at those plants, and then look to that
9 for future changes at U.S. reactors if necessary.

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11 We are also looking to provide any
12 support we can to the Japanese regulators. We have
13 a very good working relationship with NISA, the
14 Nuclear and Industrial Safety Agency in Japan, and
15 we would certainly be looking forward to supporting
16 them in any way that we can.

17 MR. DAMON: What is the level of
18 preparedness in California? Is there any nuclear
19 installation that could withstand an earthquake of
20 this size on the west coast of the U.S.?

21 NEIL SHEEHAN: Well, we're obviously
22 still gathering information about what's taken place
23 in Japan. There have been seismic analyses done for
24 all of the U.S. nuclear power plants when they're
25 designed. Certainly they have to undergo a rigorous

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1 earthquake assessment.

2 And more recently, we've been taking a
3 fresh look at the new data that is now available on
4 seismic threats for U.S. plants, and we're still in
5 the process of working through that information.

6 MR. DAMON: What about the point then
7 made by Mr. Gilinsky that two reactors in California
8 are simply not up to that specification?

9 NEIL SHEEHAN: We don't have any evidence
10 of that at this point.

11 MR. DAMON: He knows what he's talking
12 about, doesn't he?

13 NEIL SHEEHAN: I'm not going to
14 countermand what Mr. Gilinsky said. I'll simply
15 tell you that we have confidence at this point that
16 the U.S. reactors are capable of withstanding
17 seismic events.

18 MR. DAMON: Help us understand, if you
19 will, what's going on inside those reactors. The
20 coolant level dropped. They pump in seawater
21 because they run out of the deionized water that
22 would normally be there. What's going on now?

23 NEIL SHEEHAN: We're not in the position
24 to comment on what exactly is taking place with
25 respect to the Japanese reactors. The Japanese have

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1 their own regulatory agency that's been engaged in
2 this and is -

3 MR. DAMON: Sure, what I was asking from
4 you was more of a kind of physic lesson, really.
5 You know, if you pump the seawater, salt and also
6 boric acid, I think, is in the mix, to try and soak
7 up some of the neutrons, what's actually going on
8 inside a reactor vessel when that is in there?

9 NEIL SHEEHAN: Well, we've had no
10 experience in the U.S. as far as using seawater to
11 try to deal with a reactor event. Typically, that
12 would be an effort at the, kind of the end of the
13 sequence where you would, you'd seek to inject boron
14 into a reactor to try to stop the fissioning
15 process.

16 But again, we're not familiar with all
17 the details of what exactly they're doing in Japan,
18 so we wouldn't be able to knowledgeably discuss
19 that.

20 MR. DAMON: I do understand that, but
21 has it been done before?

22 NEIL SHEEHAN: It has not been done at
23 any of the U.S. reactors where they sought to inject
24 borated water into the core.

25 MR. DAMON: Has it been piloted? Has it

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1 been perhaps modeled at least in computers what
2 happens when you put saltwater into a nuclear
3 reactor?

4 NEIL SHEEHAN: That is - it's not
5 something that's ever been considered by U.S.
6 reactors to use seawater, but certainly all of the
7 plants have as an option the ability to use boron,
8 inject boron into a reactor. But typically, that
9 would be a last step effort to try to shut down the
10 reactor.

11 MR. DAMON: Last step sounds like last
12 desperate step. I don't want to add too much, you
13 know, journalistic tension into this, but it is - we
14 are at the stage where we don't know what's going to
15 happen next?

16 NEIL SHEEHAN: Well, again, we're not
17 involved directly in responding to that event. All
18 I can tell you is that typically when you're using
19 boron to shut down the fissioning process taking
20 place in the reactor, you've tried some other
21 approaches and they've not been successful.

22 MR. DAMON: Very good talking to you.
23 Thanks for being so candid. Thanks a lot.

24 NEIL SHEEHAN: Sure, you're welcome.

25 MR. DAMON: Bye.

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1 NEIL SHEEHAN: Goodbye.

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3 NEIL SHEEHAN: Public Affairs?

4 JEFF KOWALCZIK: Hi, this is Jeff
5 Kowalczyk with the NRC. I'm the rep down at the
6 USAID right now.

7 NEIL SHEEHAN: Okay.

8 JEFF KOWALCZIK: And there was a request
9 to kind of join forces for public, public outreach,
10 and the reports that we put out for the group here.

11 And I was going to try to figure out who was coming
12 on at - first of all, who's coming on at seven, or
13 if you guys are running eights or 12s, and -

14 NEIL SHEEHAN: Yeah, go ahead. It would
15 be Scott Burnell who's coming on at 8.

16 JEFF KOWALCZIK: Okay, okay. And then
17 I'm trying to figure out, do you guys have an opt
18 center email account or do you have just - are you
19 working off of personal email?

20 NEIL SHEEHAN: Boy -

21 (Laughter)

22 JEFF KOWALCZIK: I'm asking the hard
23 questions.

24 NEIL SHEEHAN: No, no, no, the reason I
25 say that, I'm down from our office in Region I

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1 filling in.

2 JEFF KOWALCZIK: Oh, okay.

3 NEIL SHEEHAN: So - but there is an ops
4 center email, just - let me just find it.

5 JEFF KOWALCZIK: Okay, no problem.

6 NEIL SHEEHAN: Yeah. But, I mean, I've
7 been just using my own.

8 JEFF KOWALCZIK: Sure.

9 NEIL SHEEHAN: Hold on. Let's see, it
10 looks like os - hold on one sec. There's a number
11 here os - or an email address, O-S-T-O 2 H-O-C.

12 JEFF KOWALCZIK: Okay.

13 NEIL SHEEHAN: There's also an email
14 address operations center bulletin, but I don't
15 think that's - no, you don't want that.

16 JEFF KOWALCZIK: No. Yeah, I can ask -
17 I'm trying to - I was just trying to -

18 NEIL SHEEHAN: Well, you know, you can
19 just send it to OPA - let me see - OPA.Resource too.

20 JEFF KOWALCZIK: Okay. Are you guys
21 checking that inbox?

22 NEIL SHEEHAN: Yeah.

23 JEFF KOWALCZIK: Regularly?

24 NEIL SHEEHAN: Yes.

25 JEFF KOWALCZIK: Okay, I'll copy that on

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1 for now and make sure that they call you guys as
2 well if they're going to do any, you know, any sort
3 of press releases or anything like that. So, I'll
4 figure out exactly what they're looking to do and
5 then make sure they either call or email, so -

6 NEIL SHEEHAN: Okay.

7 JEFF KOWALCZIK: And that's - is that
8 just OPA.Resource@nrc.gov?

9 NEIL SHEEHAN: Yes.

10 JEFF KOWALCZIK: Okay, I'll have them do
11 that then.

12 NEIL SHEEHAN: All right.

13 JEFF KOWALCZIK: Okay, thank you, sir.

14 NEIL SHEEHAN: Sure, bye.

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NEIL SHEEHAN: Public Affairs?

ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, Neil, it's Eliot Brenner.

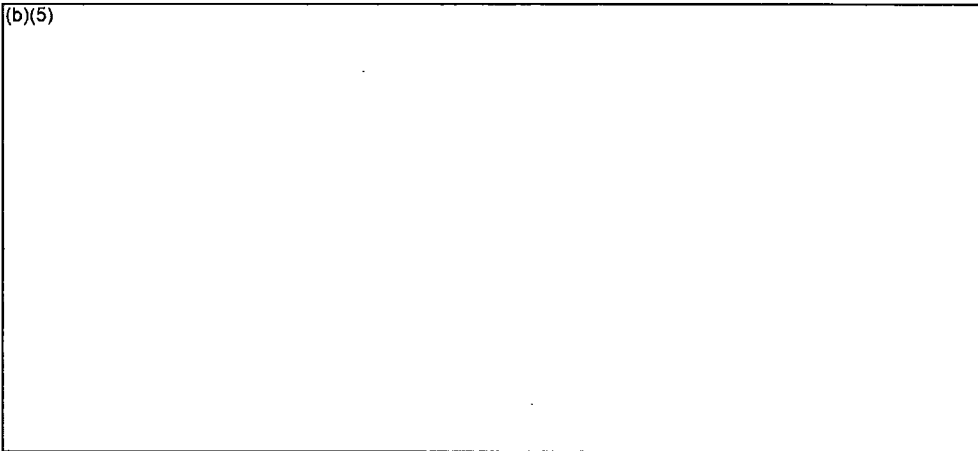
NEIL SHEEHAN: Hey, Eliot.

ELIOT BRENNER: Question on this request for assistance.

NEIL SHEEHAN: Yeah?

ELIOT BRENNER: Was it to the NRC specifically, or was it to the U.S. Government for broader assistance than the NRC?

NEIL SHEEHAN: Well, a bit of both. They



Apparently they pump seawater into a pond where they mix in the boron, and then they pump it into the reactor. They're apparently running into some challenges with that pumping.

ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, all of the requests

1 are related to nuclear issues, but the requests have
2 gone to different pieces of the U.S. Government?

3 NEIL SHEEHAN: Yeah, I think we were
4 trying to coordinate a call with all of the
5 different players to make that happen.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, I don't want to go

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9 NEIL SHEEHAN: Right.

10 ELIOT BRENNER: Although I do want to -

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15 briefly.

16 NEIL SHEEHAN: Yeah, no, I think that's
17 true. And they're also talking to GE and seeing
18 what, now that they have this formal request, to see
19 whether or not GE can offer some insights too, so.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, good job putting
21 that piece together. Yeah, I'll be in there in
22 about 10 minutes -

23 NEIL SHEEHAN: Yeah.

24 ELIOT BRENNER: - be in there shortly.

25 NEIL SHEEHAN: Okay. Yeah, I mean,

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5 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, yeah, that is a
6 thought, okay.

7 NEIL SHEEHAN: Yeah.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: I'll be there in a few
9 minutes.

10 NEIL SHEEHAN: Okay, yeah, bye.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Bye.

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3 NANCY: Congressional Affairs, this is
4 Nancy.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, it's Eliot.

6 NANCY: Hi.

7 ELIOT BRENNER: Where is Becky?

8 NANCY: Up in the Chairman's office.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, thanks.

10 NANCY: Uh huh.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Bye.

12 NANCY: Bye.

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KATINA: Chairman (unintelligible)

Office, Katina.

ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, Patty, it's Eliot.

KATINA: I'm Katina.

ELIOT BRENNER: Katina, my apologies.
I'm looking for Becky. Is she there?

KATINA: Becky is actually in the office
with the chairman.

ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

KATINA: I believe they're on a phone
call.

ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, why don't you have
her call me at the following number when she gets
off, 301-816-5107.

KATINA: Okay, that was 301-816-5107?

ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, ma'am.

KATINA: Okay, I'll have her give you a
call.

ELIOT BRENNER: And I apologize for the
confusion.

KATINA: That's okay, Eliot.

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KATINA: You're good.

ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)

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KATINA: Have a good one.

ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, buh-bye.

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ELIOT BRENNER: Eliot Brenner.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Hi, Mr. Brenner?

ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah?

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: The Chairman would like to speak with you.

ELIOT BRENNER: I'm right here.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay, hold one moment. I'm connecting.

CHAIRMAN JACZKO: Go ahead.

ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, it's Eliot. (b)(5)

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CHAIRMAN JACZKO: (b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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CHAIRMAN JACZKO: (b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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CHAIRMAN JACZKO: Yeah, yeah, I'm sorry.

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CHAIRMAN JACZKO: (b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER:

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CHAIRMAN JACZKO: Sure.

ELIOT BRENNER: - than to go above him.

CHAIRMAN JACZKO: Stand by. Let me give you his phone number.

ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

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CHAIRMAN JACZKO: Yeah.

ELIOT BRENNER: -

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CHAIRMAN JACZKO: Exactly.

ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah.

CHAIRMAN JACZKO: Now, I will give him your office number?

ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah.

CHAIRMAN JACZKO: Okay.

ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, and it is obviously very short notice. It's about the 12:30 break, you know, so he calls back right away.

CHAIRMAN JACZKO: Yeah.

ELIOT BRENNER: I know he's busy, but -

CHAIRMAN JACZKO: Will do.

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ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, thanks.

CHAIRMAN JACZKO: Bye.

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unable to answer the phone right now. In fact, your
best bet is to leave me an email. Please send me an
email to (b)(6). Again, you're better
off sending me an email than leaving a voicemail.
Please email me at (b)(6)

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3 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Public Affairs?

4 ELIOT BRENNER: Eliot.

5 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Hi, Eliot.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Call Holly. Tell her I
7 need to know where the Q&A document is stored.

8 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: It's not in the -

9 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, nevermind.

10 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: You got - okay, you
11 got it now?

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3 RAYANNE: This is Rayanne, NRC Public
4 Affairs.

5 DIANE: Hey, Rayanne. It's Diane
6 Frankie (phonetic).

7 RAYANNE: Hey.

8 (Laughter)

9 RAYANNE: - is on the phone.

10 (Laughter)

11 DIANE: That's how I'm talking at this
12 point.

13 RAYANNE: Yeah.

14 DIANE: Can you ask him to give me a
15 call?

RAYANNE: Sure.

16 DIANE: Thanks.

17 RAYANNE: Uh huh, bye.

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3 IVONNE: Scott?

4 SCOTT: Yes?

5 IVONNE: It's Ivonne. I've got (b)(6)

6 (b)(6) on the line.

7 SCOTT: Mm-hmm.

8 IVONNE: He's working with - it's
9 another reporter working with (b)(6).

10 SCOTT: Mm-hmm.

11 IVONNE: I'm transferring you.

12 SCOTT: Hey - the - hmm.

13 IVONNE: What?

14 SCOTT: Can you hold on for just a
15 moment? I need to finish another call.

16 IVONNE: Sure.

17 SCOTT: I'll be right back.

18 IVONNE: Okay.

19 SCOTT: Okay, go ahead and transfer it.

20 IVONNE: Okay.

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3 MALE PARTICIPANT: Do you want to do
4 that on a recorded line?

5 ELIOT BRENNER: No. No - oh, it is.
6 Have we got any unrecorded lines around here?

7 MALE PARTICIPANT: There's one in the
8 liaison team room. Otherwise we can do it -

9 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Office of Public
10 Affairs?

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, it's Eliot.

12 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Hi.

13 ELIOT BRENNER: Listen, what are the
14 arrangements for the phone call?

15 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: You - you know, it
16 was - I thought it was sent to you, but I guess
17 maybe not. I'm sending it to you. 3:00.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: I know it's 3:00.

19 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: And I am sending
20 you the bridge line number and the pass code right
21 now.

22 ELIOT BRENNER: Thank you very much.

23 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: No problem.

24 ELIOT BRENNER: Bye.

25 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Bye.

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ELIOT BRENNER:Hey, it's Elliot.

SCOTT: And Scott.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Scott's on. Is
Elliot on?

SCOTT: He is.

ELIOT BRENNER:Okay, Region I, you there?
Region I?

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Present.

ELIOT BRENNER:II.

MALE PARTICIPANT: We're here.

ELIOT BRENNER:III.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Present.

ELIOT BRENNER:IV.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: All of me is here.

ELIOT BRENNER:Where the hell is the rest
of you?

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: (b)(6)

ELIOT BRENNER:Oh, that's this week.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: (b)(6)
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ELIOT BRENNER:I for some reason thought
it was the following week.

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MALE PARTICIPANT: He has got great timing.

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MALE PARTICIPANT:

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ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah,

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FEMALE PARTICIPANT: While we're on the subject, Beth was going to e-mail Roger or Joey about helping to back up Laura. Did that happen?

MALE PARTICIPANT: It did, and we agreed.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yes, thank you guys. I got about 12 media calls that I need to return --

ELIOT BRENNER: Only 12? I got about 2 or 3 hundred. All right, let me run down what we're going to do.

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I want to read to you the main points that the Chairman made today at the (b)(5) for those of you who did not see it.

And for those of you who did see it, it

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Point one, the type of design, and the nature of this accident.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Hey, Eliot, are you going to send these to us?

ELIOT BRENNER: You know what? I can do that. I have four or five - yeah, I got four or five main points that the Chairman made. I will email them around to everybody.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: We can tack them on top of those updated talking points.

ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah - I'm sorry, updated what? Did I miss something?

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Updated talking points were just sent to you by me.

ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, I'm sorry. I am looking at so many bits of information. You would have sent this to me since when?

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: You're breaking up.

ELIOT BRENNER: When did you send me these updated talking points and from whence did they come?

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: These are the talking points that we had been using that had not

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1 been updated since Saturday.

2 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

3 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: I updated them to
4 reflect - okay, they were updated to reflect the
5 press releases that have gone out since then -

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

7 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: - (b)(5)

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9 (b)(5) So -

10 ELIOT BRENNER: Right.

11 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: - I was thinking
12 you would tack on what -

13 ELIOT BRENNER: Do I need to look at
14 that?

15 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yes, right, it went
16 to you.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: I see nothing - wait a
18 minute. I see two messages from Holly, "Re: would
19 be helpful to get talkers from," okay. Is that what
20 I am looking at, an attached document?

21 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Correct.

22 ELIOT BRENNER: All right. Now, is this
23 document ultimately going to be put on Share Point
24 or whatever the - Web ESE?

25 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Correct, and also I

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1 would send it to all the regions.

2 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, all right. I see
3 this. I'm scanning it. (b)(5)

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5 (Beeping)

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Who joined?

7 VIKA: This is Vika (phonetic).

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Hi, welcome. To
9 summarize for you, (b)(5)

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12 What have I missed?

13 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: (b)(5)

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15 ELIOT BRENNER: Well, you can do some
16 local television.

17 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: I'm not interested
18 in doing local television.

19 ELIOT BRENNER: Then don't do local
20 television. Do all of this on the phone. (b)(5)

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23 And actually, I think it's a good thing

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5 tomorrow.

6 Okay, questions for Eliot?

7 VIKA: We're getting a lot of land
8 specific information, and just more specific, such
9 as, "Are you telling me that your design basis takes
10 into account tornados and earthquakes?"

11 ELIOT BRENNER: To which you can answer,
12 "Yes." You know the answer. Every plant -

13 VIKA: You didn't hear the rest of my
14 question. The rest of the question is, "You're
15 telling me that these two things are being
16 considered. Are the two of them being considered at
17 the same time such as what happened in Japan with an
18 earthquake and a tornado - and a tsunami?"

19 SCOTT: Hey Vika, it's Scott. The short
20 answer is, "Yes."

21 VIKA: Okay.

22 SCOTT: I mean, if a plant -

23 ELIOT BRENNER: And let me -

24 SCOTT: If a plant is designed to deal
25 with both an earth - I'm sorry, with an earthquake

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1 and a tsunami, the presence of one does not
2 eliminate a need to be able to deal with the other
3 one.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: The other point I want to

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10 It was, "We always pay attention for any
11 additional information that allows us to improve the
12 safety of reactors in the United States. And like
13 we have in other cases, we will examine the
14 information that is produced here and see what, if
15 any, relevance it has to the protective regime in
16 the United States."

17 DAVE: Eliot, this is Dave. I've
18 already had about three or four questions like that
19 today. And of course we've been saying it all
20 along, so it's very helpful that you said that.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: Right, right.

22 MALE PARTICIPANT: We've all been saying
23 that.

24 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: - taking a step
25 back and look at it once it's over.

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1 ELIOT BRENNER: Right, so when you -
2 exactly. We did that with the 2004 tsunami. We
3 have done that - we did that with the prior Japanese
4 earthquake.

5 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: We did it with
6 Chernobyl and TMI.

7 ELIOT BRENNER: Exactly. So, you can
8 take that tact. Now, Diane, I need to know, is
9 there a reason that you would need Neil back in the
10 region Thursday or Friday?

11 DIANE: Other than I didn't have time to
12 eat today?

13 (Laughter)

14 MALE PARTICIPANT: Join the crowd.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: This is a built-in weight
16 loss program.

17 DIANE: Yeah, there's nothing specific
18 about Thursday and Friday, so, no.

19 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

20 DIANE: I would like him to come back,
21 but, no.

22 (Laughter)

23 ELIOT BRENNER: All right. In case I get
24 a wild hair to grab anybody else, Joey, are you
25 free?

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1 JOEY: I actually have plans on Friday
2 through the weekend.

3 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

4 MALE PARTICIPANT: I'm not available
5 Thursday, but any other time - Wednesday evening
6 through Thursday I'm not available, but I'm
7 available Friday through the weekend.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: All right.
9 Administratively I think I'll just hold Neil here if
10 we have a need to stay around the clock through the
11 rest of the week, (b)(5)

12 (b)(5)

13 Okay, next question -

14 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Eliot, let me ask a
15 question, (b)(5)

16 (b)(5)

17 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

18 (b)(5)

19 (b)(5)

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21 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: I think it was sent
22 to me.

23 MALE PARTICIPANT: You mean (b)(5)

24 (b)(5)

25 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, (b)(5)

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1 MALE PARTICIPANT: I forwarded that to
2 Holly and Brenda and company and asked them to
3 append it onto the existing -

4 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Have you signed off
5 on it, Eliot?

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Stand by. Mr. Rule
7 (phonetic), how the hell are you? Can you call that
8 up on your screen? (b)(5)
9 (phonetic).

10 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Are you talking to
11 us?

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, whoever has got it.

13 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Whoever has got
14 what?

15 ELIOT BRENNER: Is Brenda on the phone?

16 BRENDA: I am, Eliot.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: Do you have from Scott
18 the draft language?

19 BRENDA: I do.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

21 (b)(5)

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24 (b)(5)

25 BRENDA: There are two names, Dan what?

1 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

2 It's in the language that was sent to you.

3 BRENDA: I haven't had a chance to -

4 ELIOT BRENNER: It was transmitted at
5 2:15 from Scott. It's a - it's -

6 BRENDA: I saw it, but I have not had a
7 chance -

8 ELIOT BRENNER: It is addressed - it is
9 subject, "Addition to latest press release."

10 BRENDA: Okay, what - where - I'm sorry
11 -

12 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

13 (b)(5)
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15 BRENDA: Okay.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: - (b)(5)

17 (b)(5)
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19 (b)(5)

20 BRENDA: Yes, will do. Now that we have
21 backup I can breathe more freely. Okay, but, since
22 nobody else is jumping in, let me ask another
23 question, Eliot. (b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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BRENDA: Okay.

ELIOT BRENNER: The only people I want out there quoted are NRC Public Affairs people. Now -

BRENDA: I guess, I'm supposed to be getting quoted, right? I'm getting quoted all over the place having answered questions.

ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

BRENDA: Okay, good.

ELIOT BRENNER: You, I trust.

BRENDA: Okay, good.

ELIOT BRENNER: You're a good filter.

BRENDA: But they're - you're right,

(b)(5)

ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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BRENDA: Yes, I'm just letting you know what kinds of questions we've been getting.

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ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah.

BRENDA: I know what the answers are.

ELIOT BRENNER: Not a surprise.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay, to clarify,

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ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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FEMALE PARTICIPANT: I understand.

VIKA: I have a quick question. Do we have any more information about (b)(5)

ELIOT BRENNER: No, I don't.

VIKA: Okay.

ELIOT BRENNER: That's one of the trust me things. All right, if there's nothing else, I'm going to start wading through a bunch of calls. I know I need to send you guys the main points that the Chairman made, and then you can use those. (b)(5)

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FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Send them to Holly.

SCOTT: Yeah.

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1 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: She'll throw them
2 out to everybody.

3 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, all right. I'm
4 going to move on to that, and then answering
5 questions that I have piled up here. I think
6 everybody is doing one hell of a job. The Chairman
7 is very, very pleased at how this is going from the
8 Public Affairs perspective, and I am too. (b)(5)

9 (b)(5)

10 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Oh, thanks, because
11 I hadn't thought about that.

12 (Laughter)

13 MALE PARTICIPANT:

14 (b)(5)

(b)(5)

15 (Laughter)

16 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, yeah. And so -

17 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: You may not know,
18 but you have access to YouTube and Twitter now as of
19 yesterday.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: Who does?

21 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Everybody does.

22 ELIOT BRENNER: Great.

23 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: I saw the email.

24 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: You can get on
25 YouTube and Twitter. The second thing I wanted to

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1 bring up is we, OPA, have gotten some support to
2 answer phones and other things, which is much
3 needed.

4 I might suggest that if you guys can get
5 permission from your, I don't know, somebody, RA, to
6 get somebody to at least help take messages, it
7 might take some, you know, at least you can go to
8 the bathroom once or twice a day.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: Also, a question for
10 Roger.

11 ROGER: Yes?

12 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)
13 (b)(5)
14 (b)(5)
15 (b)(5)

16 (Laughter)

17 ROGER: More or less.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, thank you very
19 much. We appreciate your assistance.

20 MALE PARTICIPANT: (b)(5)
21 (b)(5)
22 (b)(5)
23 (b)(5)
24 (b)(5)

25 MALE PARTICIPANT: Well, thank you so

1 much.

2 MALE PARTICIPANT: We can always count
3 on (b)(5)

4 MALE PARTICIPANT: Yes, of course.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: All right, I'm jumping
6 off the call now. Thanks everybody for getting in
7 here.

8 MALE PARTICIPANT: I'm out too.

9 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Thank you.

10 MALE PARTICIPANT: Thanks everybody.

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3 (RECORDED MESSAGE PLAYS)

4 (b)(6) Hello, you've reached (b)(6)
5 (b)(6) (phonetic) of the (b)(6). This
6 is the week of March 14th. I'm in the office all
7 week, but apparently not at my desk. Leave a
8 message and I'll return your call as soon as
9 possible, or if you need to reach me urgently -

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3 (b)(6) : (b)(6).

4 ELIOT BRENNER: Hi, this is Eliot Brenner
5 at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

6 (b)(6) : Hi, how are you?

7 ELIOT BRENNER: I probably missed your
8 deadline. I've been swamped with calls. I'm trying
9 to -

10 (b)(6) : Really?

11 ELIOT BRENNER: - work my way through
12 them. You had two questions.

13 (b)(6) : Yes.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: "What kind of
15 calculations are federal supercomputers capable of
16 performing to gauge the risks posed by the Japan
17 nuclear crisis plus containment options?" You want
18 to describe the scenarios. The federal
19 supercomputers are human beings with extensive
20 expertise in boiling water reactors -

21 (b)(6) : Okay, okay, I -

22 ELIOT BRENNER: - fuel and containment.

23 (b)(6) : I just wanted to know what
24 tools you were using, and -

25 ELIOT BRENNER: We are using decades of

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1 experience -

2 (b)(6): Okay, okay.

3 ELIOT BRENNER: - by professionals,
4 technical professionals.

5 (b)(6): So you aren't plugging
6 into NNSA's computing resources?

7 ELIOT BRENNER: No, we talk with the
8 NNSA, but this is the sort of the thing where if you
9 know how a situation is unfolding, you're going to
10 know how fuel behaves.

11 (b)(6): Right, right. You're
12 there for the immediate short term repercussions.

13 ELIOT BRENNER: Right.

14 (b)(6): They're looking way out
15 into the future in some respects.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: I have no idea what
17 they're doing. I haven't talked to them.

18 (b)(6): Oh, okay. I can talk to
19 them. I'm - okay.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: I'm just - yeah. I'm
21 just telling you that this - our judgments are based
22 on decades - I mean, hundreds and hundreds and years
23 of experience amongst the staff in dealing with
24 nuclear materials.

25 (b)(6): Okay, got it.

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ELIOT BRENNER: Okay?

(b)(6): Thanks for clarifying.

ELIOT BRENNER: You're welcome.

(b)(6): Okay.

ELIOT BRENNER: Buh-bye.

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3 (b)(6): (b)(6) (phonetic).

4 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, (b)(6), it's Eliot
5 Brenner at the NRC in Washington.

6 (Laughter)

7 (b)(6): Hey.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: You and I haven't talked
9 in next to forever, so I figured, I was sitting
10 here, I'd call up and bullshit.

11 (b)(6): Okay.

12 (Laughter)

13 ELIOT BRENNER: What's going on? What
14 can I do for you dude?

15 (b)(6): Oh, I don't know. I'm - I'll be
16 honest with you, I'm - frustration and probably
17 post-traumatic stress syndrome.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: God, I hope you're not
19 pissed at us.

20 (b)(6): No, it's - well, sort of, but not
21 really. I mean -

22 ELIOT BRENNER: Well, should I - you
23 know, should I fire somebody or -

24 (b)(6): No.

25 ELIOT BRENNER: - a public flogging or?

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1 (b)(6) No, no, no.

2 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

3 (b)(6): I was concerned about the press
4 release that you guys put out yesterday that had a
5 headline that said, you know, basically that there's
6 no threat here, but it just didn't have any
7 information in it. I mean, it didn't have any
8 information about, you know, these are the -

9 ELIOT BRENNER: Let me tell you what I
10 can tell you.

11 (Laughter)

12 ELIOT BRENNER: You're not alone. I
13 think CNN has been trying to FOIA every document
14 that's crossing our desks, and that's something that
15 we'll deal with later. I mean -

16 (b)(6): Yeah, no, I understand.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)

18 (b)(6) The judgment that we have made is
19 based on expert analysis of the type of reactor and
20 the way the accidents have unfolded.

21 That allows us to make what we believe
22 to be a sound judgment about the amount of radiation
23 that will a) get into the air, b) its relative
24 toxicity, and c) how much of it might make its way
25 by air currents, at reasonably low levels I would

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1 point out, 6,000 miles west - excuse me, east. I
2 can't get my damn directions straight.

3 (b)(6): Right, and I guess what I'm
4 suggesting is that it would have been really great
5 if the news release had numbers for each of those in
6 the news release, guesstimates, whatever you want to
7 call them -

8 ELIOT BRENNER: No, we -

9 (b)(6): - with an explanation of -

10 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah -

11 (b)(6): - what they were.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: In a perfect world, that
13 would be something nice, but this is a - this is not
14 a, you know, calculation in which numbers were put
15 into a supercomputer and it spit something out the
16 back end.

17 (b)(6): Right.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: This is analysis by
19 people with decades and decades of experience with
20 these particular types of reactors, and a full
21 understanding of the behavior of these materials.

22 (b)(6): And I understand that. Believe
23 me, I really do, because I - I mean, you know, I've
24 been doing this for 35 years. However, the public
25 does not have that background, and when they see

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1 things like this, they freak, as I've seen
2 repeatedly dealing with both Katrina and the oil
3 spill.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: Mm-hmm.

5 (b)(6): And when, you know, generic
6 statements come out like this one, without
7 specifics, it leads to huge amounts of speculation
8 by the public, that I'm sure you guys are getting,
9 and, you know, lengthy FOIAs from CNN.

10 (Laughter))

11 ELIOT BRENNER: I got to tell you, you're
12 going to FOIA a pile of paper -

13 (b)(6): I'm not.

14 (Laughter)

15 ELIOT BRENNER: - with scratchings all
16 over the floor, which are probably now in a trash
17 bin somewhere.

18 (b)(6): Right. Well, and I understand
19 that, I'm just - my frustration is that I've, you
20 know, this is the, you know, the third one of these
21 events, and fortunately I was not involved in Haiti
22 or I probably would have been frustrated with that
23 one as well.

24 But, this is the third one of these that
25 I've seen where this exact same sort of stuff is

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1 happening, and it's - you know, I just continue to
2 see it being problematic. We're, you know, we are
3 dealing repeatedly with concerns by the public here
4 in south Louisiana about what their exposures were
5 to toxics in the air from the oil spill -

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Mm-hmm.

7 (b)(6): - very similar to what, you know,
8 what - which could have easily been allayed if just
9 basic information were put out there at the very
10 beginning, which it was not.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Now, the unfortunate part
12 is that the raw information is unintelligible to all
13 but those who are totally steeped -

14 (b)(6): Right.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: - in this kind of stuff.
16 And raw information, I mean, it's just gobbledygook
17 to, hell, to me. I got to go back and ask people to
18 translate this stuff to me.

19 (b)(6): Right. Well, and I understand
20 that, and I, you know, I'll tell you, I do that for
21 a living.

22 (Laughter)

23 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah. All right, listen,
24 I got a data dump. Look at your facts. You're
25 going to have all the (b)(6) You figure it out.

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1 (b)(6): Okay.

2 ELIOT BRENNER: I'm teasing.

3 (Laughter)

4 (b)(6): Okay. Oh, darn, I was hoping -

5 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, yeah, yeah. Your
6 point is taken. There's not much I can do about it.

7 (b)(6): Okay.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: But I sympathize.

9 (b)(6): Okay.

10 ELIOT BRENNER: Thank you, sir.

11 (b)(6): Okay, thank you.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: I hope we don't have to
13 talk again, and I don't mean that disrespectfully.

14 (Laughter)

15 (b)(6): No, no, no, I understand, and I
16 appreciate the fact that you called.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

18 (b)(6): I really do.

19 ELIOT BRENNER: Take care.

20 (b)(6): Thank you.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: Buh-bye.

22 (b)(6): Bye.

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3 ELIOT BRENNER: - remember what Holly's
4 direct number is. I'll take a crapshoot here.

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6 IVONNE: Public Affairs, Ivonne
7 speaking.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Ivonne, it's Eliot.

9 IVONNE: Hey, (indiscernible, possibly

10 (b)(6)

11 ELIOT BRENNER: I was trying to guess at
12 what Holly's phone number was.

13 IVONNE: It's 8203. Do you want her?

14 ELIOT BRENNER: No, I'll dial it.

15 IVONNE: Okay.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: I apologize.

17 IVONNE: Listen - that's okay.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: How's the war going?

19 IVONNE: Listen, now that I have you on
20 the phone, I - okay, I have - because remember, I
21 have been forwarding some requests for stuff -

22 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah.

23 IVONNE: - to you and Scott.

24 ELIOT BRENNER: Right.

25 IVONNE: But as I do it, I put stuff in

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1 this document.

2 ELIOT BRENNER: Where is the document?

3 IVONNE: It's in the (b)(5)

4 ELIOT BRENNER: And what's it labeled?

5 IVONNE: The name is - it's under the -
6 now I moved it to the (b)(5).

7 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

8 IVONNE: It's called, "Media interview
9 requests for Chairman."

10 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, good.

11 IVONNE: Okay, now -

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Excellent.

13 IVONNE: I have it open, so if you can't
14 access it -

15 ELIOT BRENNER: That's fine.

16 IVONNE: - you know, tell me. Okay, and
17 do you want me to transfer you to Holly?

18 ELIOT BRENNER: If you would, I'd
19 appreciate it.

20 IVONNE: One moment, please.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: Thank you, ma'am.

22 HOLLY: Hey, Eliot.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, question.

24 HOLLY: Mm-hmm.

25 ELIOT BRENNER: Have we relayed to our

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1 original people the Q&A, the big thing that we had
2 here?

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8 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, I'm going to make a
9 command decision. Share it with our people in the
10 field.

11 HOLLY: Okay.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

13 I want them equipped. I don't want them, you know
14 -

15 HOLLY: I understand.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

17 (b)(5)

Yes, they

18 can show it to them, but I don't want anybody

19 (b)(6)

20 HOLLY: Okay -

21 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

22 (b)(5)

23 HOLLY: So send it to the regions. They
24 can use it to speak from.

25 ELIOT BRENNER: They can use it to speak

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1 from. It goes nowhere. It does not go out of the
2 agency. (b)(5)

3 HOLLY: All righty.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay?

5 HOLLY: Now, I understand there was
6 another set of Q&As that had a parallel path. I
7 don't know what is the deal with those.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: What I did, I asked Rob
9 to try and work on some of those and append them to
10 the bottom of this document. The problem is, you
11 know, we got too many people working on it. You
12 know the problem.

13 HOLLY: Yes. Now - okay, so I do not
14 have both of the - Chairman's Q&As and the ones that
15 you have Rob working on. Do you want me to marry
16 those up and send those to the regions?

17 ELIOT BRENNER: You can.

18 HOLLY: Okay.

19 ELIOT BRENNER: The Chairman's Q&As are
20 the ones that are dated yesterday and are in the
21 folder.

22 HOLLY: Yes, yes, oh, I can get those.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

24 HOLLY: And I knew which ones you were
25 talking about because Rob showed me what he did,

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1 which I actually thought were quite good.

2 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

3 HOLLY: I just didn't know -

4 ELIOT BRENNER: Just stick that stuff on
5 the bottom.

6 HOLLY: Okay, will do. Can you look at
7 the blog post real fast?

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, have you sent it to
9 me?

10 HOLLY: Yeah.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, stay on the phone
12 with me. (b)(6)

13 (b)(6)

14 (b)(5)

15 (b)(5)

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17 HOLLY: Okay.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: "Harrington, re:
19 additional information, latest press release.
20 Harrington, please review and approve blog post."
21 Especially egregious and totally bogus.

22 (Laughter)

23 HOLLY: Okay. All righty.

24 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

25 (b)(5)

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HOLLY: I know. (b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER: Okay. Okay, that's good.

HOLLY: Okay.

ELIOT BRENNER: Thank you.

HOLLY: Now, wait, while I have you -

(Laughter)

HOLLY: All right, (b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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HOLLY: Okay, because I was thinking if

(b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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(b)(5) If one person can shoot two things, that's fine, otherwise, just get me some stills to put up.

HOLLY: Okay, all right, because I've also got us working on being able to put video up.

ELIOT BRENNER: Right.

HOLLY: So, that would be good. And I'm - at some point you and I are going to talk about staffing. I'm going to keep Brenda here until 6:30.

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1 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

2 HOLLY: And we've got Christine for
3 tomorrow as well.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: Great.

5 HOLLY: So we've got some good backup,
6 and I've also got a few other feelers out for some
7 other staff to help us.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

9 HOLLY: So we'll talk later.

10 ELIOT BRENNER: All right, thanks.

11 HOLLY: Mm-hmm, bye.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Buh-bye.

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4 (b)(6): - (b)(5) this is (b)(6)

5 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, it's Eliot Brenner
6 at the NRC. Can I talk to a (b)(6)?

7 (b)(6): Sure, hang on one second.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Thank you.

9 (b)(6): Hello?

10 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, (b)(6), it's Eliot
11 Brenner at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

12 (b)(6): How are you, sir?

13 ELIOT BRENNER: Oh, fair to middlin'. I
14 was with one of the - some of the exhausted looking
15 people sitting in the chairs on the side -

16 (Laughter)

17 ELIOT BRENNER: - bemused at how the
18 White House briefing room has not changed in the 20
19 years since I left UPI.

20 (b)(6): Oh, there you go, there
21 you go, same old, same old place.

22 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, it's just
23 (indiscernible, possibly "how I want them"), (b)(5)

24 (b)(5)

25 (b)(6): That's true. So, my

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1 question for you, sir, is I had read somewhere that
2 there were 20 perhaps power plants being considered.

3 ELIOT BRENNER: There are -

4 (b)(6): I want to make sure I use
5 the language properly.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Sure. That we are
7 actively consider - we actually have 18 applications
8 in front of us, but -

9 (b)(6): Okay.

10 ELIOT BRENNER: - we are actively
11 considering 12 -

12 (b)(6): Okay.

13 ELIOT BRENNER: - which propose the
14 construction of up to 20 individual new reactors.

15 (b)(6): Up to 20, so, okay,
16 actively considering 12.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: And some folks have said,
18 "Hey," you know, over the past few years, "just let
19 our application sit and rot for a while."

20 (b)(6): Right. Okay, so you're
21 actively considering 12 applications for up to 20
22 new reactors in the U.S.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: That's correct.

24 (b)(6): Okay, I just wanted to
25 make sure I got that right.

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1 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, there are three
2 that are close, and by close, I mean within six to
3 nine months of reaching the end of the process and
4 the decision point.

5 (b)(6): Okay, all right. Well, I
6 appreciate your help and -

7 ELIOT BRENNER: No problem.

8 (b)(6): - I think I'll get my
9 language correct then.

10 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, great.

11 (b)(6): Many thanks.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Take care.

13 (b)(6): Buh-bye.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: Bye.

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4 ELIOT BRENNER: Eliot Brenner.

5 DIANE: Hey, Eliot, it's Diane.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Diane, it's Eliot.

7 DIANE: How are you?

8 ELIOT BRENNER: We haven't talked in a
9 while, what's up?

10 DIANE: Actually, I was looking for
11 Scott.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: He is -

13 DIANE: But I'll tell you what's up.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah.

15 DIANE: Arnie Gunderson and his cohorts
16 are telling everybody that this is a - this is a
17 Mark 1 containment problem, and they're not strong
18 enough, and they - you know, they shouldn't have
19 been licensed to begin with, and I simply don't have
20 a response to the Mark 1 containment stuff.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: I would say, "Mr.
22 Gunderson is entitled to his opinion. We have
23 decades worth of experience with these," something
24 like that.

25 DIANE: All right.

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1 ELIOT BRENNER: And, "If we had any
2 concerns," you know, "we inspect these plants on a
3 daily basis, and if we have any concerns, we would
4 act on them. Ipso facto, the plants are still
5 operating.

6 (Laughter)

7 ELIOT BRENNER: I mean, (b)(6)

8 -

9 DIANE: Ipso facto, got it.

10 (Laughter)

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Any nuclear person knows
12 that the roof of a BWR will blow off if you over-
13 pressurize it.

14 (Laughter)

15 DIANE: Hey, do you really want a list
16 of everybody we talk to?

17 ELIOT BRENNER: No, just give me kind of
18 a generic.

19 DIANE: Okay.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: I don't even - I don't
21 care what you've said, just kind of show me the
22 breadth of who you talk to.

23 DIANE: Okay.

24 ELIOT BRENNER: All right?

25 DIANE: Yep.

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ELIOT BRENNER: Thank you, ma'am.

DIANE: Thank you, sir.

ELIOT BRENNER: Bye.

DIANE: Bye.

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4 BETH: Hello, you've reached Beth
5 Jambers (phonetic) with the Nuclear Regulatory
6 Commission's Office of Public Affairs. How may I
7 help you?

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Wow, what an
9 introduction.

10 (Laughter)

11 BETH: Hi.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: I am absolutely convinced
13 this is a thoroughly professional organization.

14 BETH: Awesome.

15 (Laughter)

16 ELIOT BRENNER: You know, at some point I
17 should probably ask you about doing Twitter. I'm
18 not sure I can deal with it now.

19 BETH: Okay.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: And how in the heck do I
21 advertise that, "Follow the NRC on Twitter."

22 BETH: Would we be setting up an actual
23 account then?

24 ELIOT BRENNER: Say that again.

25 BETH: Would we - are you talking about

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1 setting up an actual account for the agency?

2 ELIOT BRENNER: No - yeah, for the
3 agency. BETH: For the agency, okay.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: But listen, we'll deal
5 with that later. I need to talk to Brenda because I
6 need to have her tell me who to call for something.

7 BETH: Okay, hold on a second. I'll
8 transfer you.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: Thank you, ma'am.

10 BRENDA: Hi, Eliot.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, I got an admin
12 question I need to ask.

13 BRENDA: Okay.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: The question is, who do I
15 ask it to? (b)(5)

16 (b)(5)

17 (b)(5)

18 BRENDA: I don't know the answer to that
19 question.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: Do you know where to go?

21 BRENDA: I would - there's a part of me
22 that says HR, but then there's a part of me that
23 says, not OIS, but -

24 ELIOT BRENNER: Call John -

25 BRENDA: - CFO. John Walker?

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ELIOT BRENNER: John Walker, and see if

he can give an answer. (b)(5)

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BRENDA: Okay.

ELIOT BRENNER: And for the greater good
of the -

BRENDA: Agency.

ELIOT BRENNER: - (b)(5)

(b)(5)

BRENDA: Right.

ELIOT BRENNER: See what you can find
out.

BRENDA: Okay.

ELIOT BRENNER: Thanks.

BRENDA: I will do that. Buh-bye.

ELIOT BRENNER: Bye.

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3 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: (b)(5) this
4 is (indiscernible, possibly "someone").

5 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, it's Eliot Brenner
6 over at the NRC.

7 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Hi, thanks so much
8 for giving me a call.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah.

10 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: So, today -

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Was that (b)(5) question?

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13 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: No, it was my
14 question during the briefing.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: Oh, I saw (b)(5) sitting in
16 the back. I thought -

17 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yeah, well, I just
18 - (indiscernible, possibly (b)(5) is doing a
19 piece specifically on, you know, obviously since,
20 you know, a concern within the United States, even
21 though we're going to use the sound of, you know,
22 saying that it's not as far as our reactors, the
23 differences between the Japanese plants and the
24 United States plants for a piece tonight.

25 And I tried to get out at the briefing

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1 saying, you know, "What are the differences in
2 safety terms between what they have and what we
3 have, if there is any differences?"

4 ELIOT BRENNER: Let me try and explain
5 this to you.

6 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay.

7 ELIOT BRENNER: And I'll try to make it
8 in layman's terms.

9 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay, and I'm just
10 going to take notes, but -

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Sure.

12 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: - I won't quote
13 you. This is for background.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: For background.

15 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: And I'm an ex-reporter,
17 so.

18 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay, thank you.

19 ELIOT BRENNER: Been there, done that.
20 I've sat in that briefing room a lot. In the broad,
21 generic sense, their Mark 1 BWRs and ours are
22 similar.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Uh huh.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: They're - every nuclear
24 plant is slightly different than the next one. Not
25 every, but most, because little fine tunings are

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1 done during construction.

2 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Right.

3 ELIOT BRENNER: So the plants are
4 similar, but not necessarily identical.

5 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: And we are not going to
7 second guess or publicly criticize the way that they
8 are dealing with this particular crisis.

9 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay.

10 ELIOT BRENNER: This is a serious
11 situation.

12 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: And is there
13 anything that you guys can say, imagining what our
14 piece will be, you know, that - is there some
15 information I can give to the correspondent as far
16 as ways that the United States ones might be a
17 little stronger for the types of, you know,
18 disasters that we might be preparing for?

19 ELIOT BRENNER: I'm not sure I'm
20 following your question.

21 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay. So, setting
22 aside the Japan tragedy and the threat it might
23 pose, nuclear -

24 ELIOT BRENNER: Right.

25 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: - issue, aside to

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1 the United States -

2 ELIOT BRENNER: Exactly.

3 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: We're looking at,
4 you know, the United States' own nuclear power
5 program.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Right.

7 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: And our power
8 plants and the safety policy on, you know, on the
9 books right now as far as that, they want to compare
10 the Japanese, you know, safety for their nuclear
11 plants and the United States and say, "Do we have
12 better safety standards? Do we have more, you know,
13 more protocols to call for this?" Is there more -

14 ELIOT BRENNER: Right, let me kind of
15 walk you through what we can tell you. First off,
16 we're not going to criticize the way the Japanese
17 operate. They've got decades and decades of
18 experience with this particular type of reactor.
19 They have a huge cadre of people who are very
20 experienced professionals.

21 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yeah.

22 ELIOT BRENNER: The nuclear community
23 worldwide is actually very small, and they talk to
24 each other constantly to learn lessons from one
25 another.

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1 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Mm-hmm.

2 ELIOT BRENNER: Now, as the Chairman
3 pointed out today, we always look to see if there's
4 more that can be known and understood about both
5 reactors and natural phenomena like tsunamis and
6 earthquakes.

7 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Mm-hmm.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: And we are constantly
9 looking at our system of overseeing the operation of
10 nuclear plants to see if there are any improvements
11 that can be made. The follow-on question would be,
12 are there any improvements that - excuse me, I need
13 to write down a phone call. You can't hear it, but
14 it's ringing in my ear.

15 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay, do you need
16 to -

17 ELIOT BRENNER: No, I don't need to -

18 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Do you want me to
19 hold?

20 ELIOT BRENNER: No, I don't need to take
21 it. That's okay.

22 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Oh, okay.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: It's one of my staffers.

24 (b)(6)
25 (b)(6) Where

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1 the hell was I? We -

2 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: You said you were
3 looking to see if there were any improvements.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: Right, exactly. We
5 always look at any incident, no matter where it is,
6 to see whether it generates information that would
7 help us improve the way that we oversee the
8 operation of reactors.

9 Now, let me make sure - I want to parse
10 something for you. Both in Japan and in the United
11 States, reactors are privately owned -

12 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Right.

13 ELIOT BRENNER: - but regulated by a
14 government entity.

15 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Right.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: So, we set the rules. We
17 are always looking to see, is there information that
18 would help us improve safety and security?

19 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: And so, you
20 wouldn't compare those regulations by the government
21 entity between Japan and the United States?

22 ELIOT BRENNER: No, no.

23 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: I can tell them
24 that, okay. Not going to get into that.

25 ELIOT BRENNER: No, we're not going to

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1 compare and contrast because, you know, how would we
2 feel if the Japanese pointed a finger at our system?

3 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay, okay. And is
4 there something as far as, obviously the Chairman
5 was pretty direct in saying Americans, you know,
6 need not worry. We're obviously looking at the
7 regulations in the books and constantly updating
8 them if need be.

9 But, is there anything else that you
10 guys could offer up in terms of knowing that we're
11 doing a piece tonight about the safety of our own
12 nuclear plants?

13 ELIOT BRENNER: Right, I mean, that's
14 sort of it.

15 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: We have - let me give you
17 a little background on our system. Every nuclear
18 plant in the United States has full-time NRC
19 inspectors looking at the plant day in and day out.

20 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Mm-hmm.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: Their offices are at the
22 plant. They live in the communities around these
23 plants. So, the NRC has a very visible full-time
24 presence at these reactors.

25 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay.

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1 ELIOT BRENNER: Now, I do not know what
2 the Japanese system is. I haven't a clue. But, we
3 take the oversight of these plants very seriously.

4 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Uh-huh.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: And have a very - we have
6 an exceptionally robust regulatory system, one that
7 is, in fact, copied around the world. A lot of
8 countries send their people to the United States to
9 study the way the NRC does its regulation.

10 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Do you know - you
11 mentioned that obviously Japan has been a leader and
12 has some of the best experts on this, but do you
13 know -

14 ELIOT BRENNER: I can't tell you what
15 Japanese people have been here.

16 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: I'm certain they have.

18 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay.

19 ELIOT BRENNER: You know, we have
20 exchange visits, you know, with the Japanese a lot.
21 I was in Japan 15 months ago talking with my
22 counterparts about communication and visiting
23 Japanese nuclear plants.

24 In fact, the day before this accident, I
25 had the press secretary for one of the Japanese

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1 regulators in my office talking about this very kind
2 of thing.

3 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Mm-hmm. And before
4 - this was how long ago?

5 ELIOT BRENNER: I'm sorry?

6 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: This was how long
7 ago?

8 ELIOT BRENNER: This was last Thursday.

9 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Last Thursday, wow.
10 I'm in Friday.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, I should have
12 knocked wood.

13 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yeah, seriously,
14 oh, my goodness. You know -

15 ELIOT BRENNER: And another little
16 tidbit, last week, the NRC ran a three-day
17 conference that attracted 3,400 people from the U.S.
18 and about 30 countries. Japan was among them. Some
19 Japanese regulators were here when the earthquake
20 struck, and we lent them our facilities to
21 communicate with their agency.

22 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Mm-hmm, okay.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: Now, that's more than
24 you'd ever want to know.

25 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: No, that - I mean,

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1 that helps my background to understand -

2 ELIOT BRENNER: Right, did you guys get
3 our B-roll?

4 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: I believe so.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

6 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: I'll follow up with
7 the -

8 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6) and I were dealing -
9 were talking about it.

10 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: So you should have it.

12 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Well, then, yes.
13 I'm just - actually to discuss the scripts from the
14 reporter, (b)(6), who's working on this piece
15 tonight about this.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

17 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: He's doing it from
18 the San - outside the San Onofre -

19 ELIOT BRENNER: San Onofre.

20 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Onofre.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: Otherwise known as SONGS.

22 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: That's much easier
23 to pronounce. So, just reviewing that and, you know
24 - okay, that makes sense. And I'll give our little
25 background conversation to him.

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1 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, that's great.

2 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: So, I'll make sure
3 that he gets that. And thank you again for calling
4 me, and I'll definitely follow up if there's
5 anything else that comes -

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Sure, thanks very much.

7 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Thanks, take care.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Buh-bye.

9 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Bye.

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4 (b)(6): Hi, this is (b)(6)

5 Please leave a message at the tone. If you wish to
6 send a fax, please do so at (b)(6). Thanks.

7 (RECORDING ENDS)

8 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6), Eliot

9 Brenner, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Rockville,
10 Maryland. I got a relayed email request from a
11 producer for your show for somebody to go on. I'm
12 sorry, but we are a tad busy, and as much as we
13 would like to be able to help you, we can't right
14 now. Please keep us in mind for a future
15 opportunity, and thanks for checking. Buh-bye.

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4 (b)(6) : Hi, this is (b)(6) with

5 (b)(6). Please leave me a message.

6 (RECORDED MESSAGE ENDS)

7 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6) this is Eliot
8 Brenner at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission in
9 Rockville. You had called earlier to Susan Lloyd.
10 I deal with all media stuff. Frankly, I would
11 consider it highly unlikely that we would do
12 anything off to the side after the hearing.

13 So, hang on, let me read you a note
14 here, yeah, I don't think we'd be doing anything off
15 to the side during the hearing. If we do, I'll try
16 to remember you. I would just strongly encourage
17 you to pick up the pool feed or be at the hearing,
18 because that's - it's much easier for us to deal
19 with this all at once. Talk to you later, bye.

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3 ELIOT BRENNER: NRC Public Affairs.

4 IVONNE: Hey, Eliot, it's Ivonne.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, Ivonne, it's Eliot.

6 IVONNE: Hey, I just got an email, and
7 you were CCed, in reference to the Share Point
8 access on the development of the tsunami fact sheet
9 that they're doing, FAQs related to what's occurring
10 in Japan.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, well, nobody should
12 get too (b)(6) carried away.

13 IVONNE: Well, that's why I'm calling,
14 because I know - well, the reason why they included
15 it, I see all these people are all NRR people. I
16 guess they're putting contributions together. Since
17 I'm the liaison, they automatically make sure I'm in
18 the loop for anything that they do, NRR stuff. But
19 you're on this email, so.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, there's a lot of
21 people over here trying to get access to the Q&As
22 that we control. The staff here is trying to set up
23 a Share Point site. (b)(5)

24 (b)(5) -

25 IVONNE: Okay.

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1 ELIOT BRENNER: - (b)(5)

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5 IVONNE: Okay, I'm just telling you that
6 I got it, so I just want to make sure, you know.
7 I'm not doing anything with it.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah.

9 IVONNE: I just was like, "Okay, what is
10 this?" And okay, because NRR is creating it, so
11 NSIR and OPA has access to contribute to this site.

12 (b)(5)

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14 ELIOT BRENNER: Why don't we deal with
15 this tomorrow?

16 IVONNE: Okay, all right.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: Because it is not
18 something that has to be dealt with right now.

19 IVONNE: Okay, all right, no problem,
20 sir.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: Thanks.

22 IVONNE: Okay, buh-bye.

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ELIOT BRENNER: NRC Public Affairs,
Brenner.

IVONNE: Hi, Eliot, it's Ivonne.

ELIOT BRENNER: Yes?

IVONNE: Holly asked me to ask you (b)

(b)(5)

ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, but we don't have
to do that now.

IVONNE: No, but we can pursue that?

ELIOT BRENNER: You can pursue that.

IVONNE: Do you - okay, well.

ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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IVONNE: But they should have one.

ELIOT BRENNER: Well, (b)(5)

will have one.

IVONNE: Okay.

ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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IVONNE: Okay.

ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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(b)(5)

But look around, see

what you can find.

IVONNE: Okay.

ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

IVONNE: All right.

ELIOT BRENNER: Bye.

IVONNE: Bye.

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3 MR. MILLMAN: Ira Millman.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: Eliot Brenner, Nuclear
5 Regulatory Commission.

6 MR. MILLMAN: Hello, Eliot, how are you?

7 ELIOT BRENNER: I am just fine.

8 MR. MILLMAN: Good.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: I realize we have not
10 satisfied everybody.

11 MR. MILLMAN: Yeah.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: But, how can I put some
13 grease on the wheel?

14 MR. MILLMAN: By doing something with me
15 tomorrow afternoon.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)

17 (b)(6)

What time do you need

18 it?

19 MR. MILLMAN: Well, either I could come
20 over there sometime in the morning, I live in

21 (b)(6)

I mean, we could do that, or anytime - I
22 get in at 2:00, our show goes on at 6:00, so anytime
23 between then and then.

24 ELIOT BRENNER: Let me see here. I need
25 to leave here by 2:30. We can do this by phone,

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1 right?

2 MR. MILLMAN: We can. I can't do it by
3 phone until I get in here at around 2:00.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, I'm just trying to
5 think logistics. What - tell me what it is that you
6 need us to say.

7 MR. MILLMAN: Well, I mean, it was the
8 thing about lending Japan assistance, how you guys
9 are monitoring it.

10 ELIOT BRENNER: Sure.

11 MR. MILLMAN: And it's, you know, it's
12 basically the simple thing of letting the people in
13 Japan, and China, and around the world, that's our
14 goal -

15 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah.

16 MR. MILLMAN: - to tell them what the
17 United States is doing in support of them.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay. You say you live
19 in (b)(6)

20 MR. MILLMAN: I do.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: Let's see, can you - it
22 may require killing a little bit of time here. I
23 can do the interview.

24 MR. MILLMAN: Okay.

25 ELIOT BRENNER: I can't give you the

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1 Chairman, but -

2 MR. MILLMAN: That's okay.

3 ELIOT BRENNER: But if you can tolerate
4 having an old wire service hack talking to you -

5 MR. MILLMAN: Hey, they're the best.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, what's it to ya?

7 (Laughter)

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Do you know where we're
9 located?

10 MR. MILLMAN: I take the Metro from
11 White Flint every day, so.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, what time works for
13 you?

14 MR. MILLMAN: Probably around, you know,
15 11 or so, or -

16 ELIOT BRENNER: All right, let me - hang
17 on a second. Let me pull up my calendar tomorrow.
18 Well, I got a hearing prep. How about noon?

19 MR. MILLMAN: You got it.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, come to - our
21 office is - you know that big, tall building?

22 MR. MILLMAN: Yeah.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, you have to go -
24 you can't approach it from Rockville Pike. You can
25 approach it from Marinelli.

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1 MR. MILLMAN: Okay.

2 ELIOT BRENNER: And there's an entry at
3 the back corner of the building where you can go up
4 to a guard post.

5 MR. MILLMAN: Okay.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Call my office from
7 there, and we are - my office is on the 16th floor.
8 Somebody can come down and get you. I will meet you
9 in my office at approximately noon.

10 MR. MILLMAN: All right. What's your
11 extension or -

12 ELIOT BRENNER: My main number is 301-
13 415-8200.

14 MR. MILLMAN: Okay.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: And we can go into my
16 office and close the door -

17 MR. MILLMAN: Right.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: - and you can roll some
19 tape, and we'll do a little stuff, and then I'll
20 have to get back into the fray.

21 MR. MILLMAN: I understand. I am sorry
22 that I sent that tone of email, but it kind of -

23 ELIOT BRENNER: That's all right.
24 Listen, I'd rather talk to you guys than - (b)(6)

25 (b)(6)

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4 MR. MILLMAN: Boy, that's the job of a
5 reporter, isn't it?

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, yeah, and he's
7 telling me, "I'm fair and balanced," and all of this

8 (b)(6)
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10 (Laughter)

11 ELIOT BRENNER:

(b)(6)

12 (b)(6)

13 MR. MILLMAN: Yeah, no, I got you. It
14 wouldn't be on mine either.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, listen, I'm happy
16 to do that. Come to our desk at noon, and if I'm
17 not available, then I will give you one of our other
18 people to do the interview.

19 MR. MILLMAN: Okay. Is there any
20 possible - does the room where you monitor such
21 things make any noise?

22 ELIOT BRENNER: No.

23 MR. MILLMAN: Okay.

24 (Laughter)

25 ELIOT BRENNER: I'm sorry, there are no

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1 teletypes in the background.

2 MR. MILLMAN: Damn.

3 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, it's -

4 MR. MILLMAN: You remember long nails on
5 the wall too, so.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: I do, (b)(6).

7 (Laughter)

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Have you - did you work
9 for UPI?

10 MR. MILLMAN: No, but I - I'm that old.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, yeah.

12 (Laughter)

13 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)

14 (b)(6)

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17 MR. MILLMAN: Uh-huh.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: And I knew that someday I
19 was going to slip and impale the back of head on one
20 of those things.

21 MR. MILLMAN: I'm sure there are a
22 number of people who did that.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: Probably.

24 MR. MILLMAN: I'm sure of that.

25 ELIOT BRENNER: Probably. All right,

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1 noon at - somebody will meet you down by the guard
2 desk, and we'll get you up to our office.

3 MR. MILLMAN: Thanks, Eliot, I
4 appreciate it.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: You're welcome, no
6 problem.

7 MR. MILLMAN: Take care, buh-bye.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Buh-bye.

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5 (phonetic) at (indiscernible, possibly (b)(6)

6 (b)(6). Please leave a message, and I will

7 get back to you as soon as possible. Thank you.

8 MACHINE: At the tone, please record
9 your message. When you have finished recording, you
10 may hang up, or press one for more options.

11 (RECORDED MESSAGE ENDS)

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, (b)(6) it's Eliot.

13 I'll try your cell. Talk to you later, bye.

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3 (RECORDED MESSAGE STARTS)

4 (b)(6): Hello, you have reached the
5 desk of (b)(6), Human Resources Assistant with
6 the (b)(6) Program.

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3 (RECORDED MESSAGE STARTS)

4 RECORDING: Hi, you have reached the
5 USAID Press Office. In order to expedite media
6 inquiries and requests, please send an email
7 including your deadline to
8 USAIDpressofficers@usaid.gov. Again, that's
9 USAIDpressofficers@usaid.gov. Thank you.

10 (RECORDED MESSAGE ENDS)

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3 (b)(6): This is (b)(6).

4 ELIOT BRENNER: It's Eliot.

5 (b)(6): Hello?

6 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6), it's Eliot.

7 (b)(6): Hey, how are you?

8 ELIOT BRENNER: I'm fine, but you've got
9 to explain to me, what is with your telephone?

10 (b)(6): What do you mean, "What is with
11 my telephone?"

12 ELIOT BRENNER: I don't hear it ring, I
13 hear music, (b)(6)

14 (Laughter)

15 (b)(6): Why, that's just what I told it
16 to do.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: I see, okay. You know -

18 (b)(6): (b)(6)
19 (b)(6)

20 ELIOT BRENNER: Well, thank you very
21 much. I just wasn't sure if I dialed an 800 number.

22 (Laughter)

23 (b)(6): Well, I knew that you might be
24 having a tough day today, so -

25 ELIOT BRENNER: It's been interesting to

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1 say the least. I've been going full bore since
2 Friday morning.

3 (b)(6): Wow.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: And we're making
5 preparations to run around the clock through the
6 rest of the week.

7 (b)(6): Are you going to go over there?

8 ELIOT BRENNER: No, no, in fact, I was
9 specifically told, "No, you can't go."

10 (Laughter)

11 (b)(6): Is somebody going over there?

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, yeah, well, we
13 pulled a guy out of Atlanta, but he's a professional
14 staffer, not a PR guy.

15 (b)(6): Yeah.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: And we were talking about
17 finding a communicator over there, and I was talking
18 with our Chairman, and he said, "What do you think
19 of so and so?" And I said, "He's pretty good at
20 whatever," and then the boss says, "No, you can't
21 go."

22 (Laughter)

23 ELIOT BRENNER: So -

24 (b)(6): Did you want to go?

25 ELIOT BRENNER: Oh, hell, I wouldn't mind

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1 it, but I, you know, I've been to Tokyo enough to
2 see it, and -

3 (b)(6): Yeah, it'd be interesting, but
4 it'd be kind of crazy right now.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, yeah, if I'm going
6 to go over there, I'd rather do it at a time when
7 it's fun.

8 (b)(6): Right.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: So, I had the boss down
10 at the (b)(5) briefing room today, and -

11 (b)(6): You what?

12 ELIOT BRENNER: I took the boss to the
13 (b)(5) press office today.

14 NANCY: Okay, uh-huh.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: We did the White House
16 daily press conference.

17 (b)(6): Cool.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: So, I've been earning my
19 keep. (b)(6)

20 (b)(6)

21 (b)(6): Right.

22 ELIOT BRENNER: And so, I've been a
23 little behind there. I'm sitting in our bull pen
24 right now.

25 (b)(6) Well, I think you're going to

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1 stay there for a while, so if you feel like you need
2 to talk to me, just give me a call.

3 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, I appreciate that.

4 (b)(6)

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7 (b)(6): Oh, I hope so.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, because what I'd
9 like to do is come in on Saturday (b)(6)

10 (b)(6)

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12 (b)(6)

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13 (b)(6)

14 (Laughter)

15 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, this is a working
16 trip. I got to do something to justify my
17 existence.

18 (b)(6): Okay, we could do that.

19 (Laughter)

20 ELIOT BRENNER: All right. Listen, I'll

21 -

22 (b)(6): It's not called the atomic
23 museum anymore, it's now the nuclear science museum.

24 ELIOT BRENNER: I see, I see, okay.

25 (b)(6): Politically correct there.

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1 ELIOT BRENNER: All right. That's
2 certainly not me.

3 (Laughter)

4 (b)(6): I'm so glad to hear from you. I
5 can't believe you're calling in the middle of your -

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, listen, you know, in
7 the middle of all of this (b)(6) it's fun to
8 take a break every now and then.

9 (b)(6): Yeah, of course it is.

10 ELIOT BRENNER: So, always nice to talk
11 to you.

12 (b)(6): (b)(6)

13 (b)(6)

14 ELIOT BRENNER: Yep, I'm going to see
15 what I can do, and if worse comes to worse, (b)(6)

16 (b)(6)

17 (b)(6): There you go.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)

19 (b)(6)

20 (b)(6) There you go.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, so.

22 (b)(6) It's that simple.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: I'll do what I can,

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1 because I got to tell you, you know, given my
2 druthers, I'd just as soon be in (b)(6)

3 (Laughter)

4 (b)(6): Well, good. I don't know. (b)(6)

5 (b)(6)

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7 ELIOT BRENNER: Well, you know, sometimes
8 that's a good thing.

9 (b)(6): Sometimes that's a good thing?
10 I guess so.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah.

12 (b)(6): I guess so. Well, you get the
13 right message out there to all the folks that are
14 worrying that the world is going to blow up now -

15 ELIOT BRENNER: Right.

16 (b)(6): - and we're all going to get
17 sick, and -

18 ELIOT BRENNER: Here's my talking point,
19 "Don't panic. Okay, go ahead, it's time."

20 (Laughter)

21 (b)(6): Go ahead, it's time?

22 ELIOT BRENNER: I was being a little
23 facetious.

24 (b)(6): Oh, okay, okay.

25 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah.

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1 (b)(6): From what I can tell, this is a
2 slowly evolving thing, but -

3 ELIOT BRENNER: Oh, yeah, yeah. Thank
4 God nukes go slowly.

5 (b)(6): Yeah, but -

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Hang on a - (b)(6), hang
7 on a second.

8 (b)(6): Okay.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: Sorry, I was doing work.

10 (b)(6): The crisis period is over
11 though, isn't it?

12 ELIOT BRENNER: No.

13 (b)(6): No, okay.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: No, they haven't - they
15 got - well, the top blew off the second reactor
16 either yesterday or today, and they're having a
17 problem. What they're trying to do is pump seawater
18 into a pit, and then mix it with boric acid so it's
19 got a neutron absorber in it, and then siphon that
20 water down into the reactors. And -

21 (b)(6): So, where is the belt? That was
22 what I did. We did all these experiments trying to
23 make sure that if you had a melt, that it wouldn't
24 be in the middle, so that when you started to pump
25 coolant back in, you wouldn't be freezing a big plug

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1 in the middle of the reactor.

2 ELIOT BRENNER: You know, that's too
3 technical for me.

4 (Laughter)

5 (b)(6): Oh, okay. But it was just like,
6 imagine, you know, you got this big thing, cylinder
7 right?

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

9 (b)(6): And it could either start to
10 melt from the bottom, the top or the middle. If it
11 starts to melt in the middle, and then you cool it
12 off, you immediately freeze that plug in the middle,
13 and then you can't get any coolant down to what's
14 below it.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: Oh, okay, I see what
16 you're saying. I see what you're saying.

17 (b)(6): That's what we do some
18 experiments on.

19 ELIOT BRENNER: Sure, pump from the
20 bottom.

21 (b)(6): Yeah, pump from the bottom or -

22 ELIOT BRENNER: It may not necessarily be
23 that easy, but -

24 (b)(6): Yeah.

25 ELIOT BRENNER: All right, listen, I got

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1 to run.

2 (b)(6): Okay, it's so good to hear from
3 you. Take care and know that I'm thinking about,
4 okay?

5 ELIOT BRENNER: All right, thanks a lot.
6 Good to hear you.

7 (b)(6): Bye.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Buh-bye.

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FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Hey, sir.

ELIOT BRENNER: Eliot.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Thank you for calling me. I had about 30 reporter calls that I wasn't able to add them into the (indiscernible, possibly "T&T") obviously because they were -

ELIOT BRENNER: What is this note about, "CNO is trying to describe why he thinks SONGS can withstand; he's using numbers of ground acceleration."

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: It was sent there as an FYI. I just got that.

ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yes, he is.

(Laughter)

ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)

(b)(6)

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Oh, really?

ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)

(b)(6)

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Uh-huh.

ELIOT BRENNER: So -

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: I just shared that

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1 information with you. (b)(5)

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6 ELIOT BRENNER: Do I really care?

7 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: No.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Does he really care?

9 Okay, now, let me get back to the chase.

10 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yes.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, I want you to stay
12 and answer reporter questions.

13 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Oh, thank God.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: Do I need to call a judge
15 and beg off for you?

16 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: No, I mean, I
17 called Beth about this earlier today, and she
18 thought I should go and try to handle calls, but
19 after seeing the volume today, I just don't see it's
20 worth that to go down there and have to - not be
21 able to manage it.

22 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah.

23 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: I can call the -
24 no, I met that judge at the RIC, (b)(6)

25 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)

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1 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yeah.

2 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah.

3 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: That's what it is.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: You gotta -

5 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: So, do you want to
6 call him or -

7 ELIOT BRENNER: I'll call him.

8 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: - if you want, I
9 can call him. I can call him.

10 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, you call him. Tell
11 him you've spoken with me and that I really need you
12 in the office answering questions and being
13 available for interviews.

14 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Sure.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

16 (b)(5)

17 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay. And then
18 also just as a head's up, so we can keep track of
19 some of the bigger media that's calling me, I have
20 the L.A. AP reporter, so I just gave you all that
21 head's up that he had reached out to us, to do a
22 long-going story, and he's going to send me some
23 questions.

24 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, I saw that. Remind
25 me about it tomorrow -

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1 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay.

2 ELIOT BRENNER: - so that we'd be sure we
3 have somebody touch base with him.

4 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay, and then (b)(6)
5 just called me.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Who is it?

7 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: (b)(6)

8 ELIOT BRENNER: From where? What's the
9 number?

10 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: (b)(6) do you want to
11 call her back?

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Well, what's the number?

13 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Oh, she's out in
14 California, (b)(6) She has called out to our
15 residents.

16 (Laughter)

17 ELIOT BRENNER: By chance.

18 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yeah.

19 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, it sounds like the
20 (b)(6) office you said?

21 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Uh-huh.

22 ELIOT BRENNER: Why don't you sound her
23 out, see what she's after, but I don't know what -
24 find out what kind of piece -

25 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: I don't think she's

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1 trying to do an interview, yeah.

2 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, find out what kind
3 of piece they're doing, and then take it under
4 advisement, and we'll see what we do with it.

5 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay, yeah, I told
6 her I'd coordinate with you all. I'm pretty sure
7 she said it was related to one of the plants out
8 there. I can't remember if it was Diablo or SONGS
9 because I have to call her back. We had a bad
10 connection.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: I think you can handle
12 it. I'm not sure I would put -

13 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)

15 (b)(6)

16 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: (b)(6)

17 (b)(6) So, I mean, if you're fine with me
18 talking to her -

19 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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22 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: We have (b)(6)

23 (b)(6)

24 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

25 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: He's savvy.

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1 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, I think they're
2 going to be going after a seismic angle.

3 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: I think so too, and
4 I have that com plan that I've been using today that
5 was very helpful.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Com plan?

7 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Some - you know,
8 our seismic group helped us on Saturday to update
9 that communications plan.

10 ELIOT BRENNER: I'm sorry, she helped on
11 what?

12 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: The Diablo Canyon
13 seismic issues with our -

14 ELIOT BRENNER: Oh, yeah, yeah, yeah,
15 somebody walked in to me and said, "Hey, I need to
16 see the tsunami com plan." So I stood up, and I
17 pulled a folded up piece of paper out of my hip
18 pocket, and I said, "This is it," and it just had a
19 bunch of phone numbers on it.

20 (Laughter)

21 ELIOT BRENNER: So, I said, "Look, I'm
22 winging this. I've done this forever."

23 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yeah.

24 ELIOT BRENNER: So, all right. Call
25 (b)(6), tell him I really need to have you at the

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1 office, and that I owe him a favor.

2 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay.

3 ELIOT BRENNER: Thank you, ma'am.

4 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay, thank you.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: Buh-bye.

6 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Bye.

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ELIOT BRENNER: Eliot Brenner.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Hi, Eliot. Hold on one second. I'll put you through to the Chairman.

ELIOT BRENNER: Thank you.

CHAIRMAN: Hey, Eliot?

ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, sir.

CHAIRMAN: Can you keep an eye out, or maybe you can double back with

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ELIOT BRENNER: Mm-hmm.

CHAIRMAN: (b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER: I'm not sure I've seen

it. (b)(5)

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3 CHAIRMAN: Yeah, that's likely exactly
4 what it is.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah.

6 CHAIRMAN: (b)(5)

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15 ELIOT BRENNER: Well, yeah, I'm on the
16 lookout, and I've talked with (b)(6) Frankly, what
17 (b)(6) sent back to me, (b)(5)

18 (b)(5)

19 (b)(5)

20 CHAIRMAN: That's it. That's it, yep.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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23 CHAIRMAN: (b)(5)

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2 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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4 CHAIRMAN: (b)(5)

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6 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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8 CHAIRMAN: (b)(5)

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11 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay. But the they
12 you're talking about -

13 CHAIRMAN: (b)(5)

14 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

15 (b)(5)

16 CHAIRMAN: (b)(5)

17 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

18 CHAIRMAN: (b)(5)

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20 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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CHAIRMAN: Yes, that all came from the NRC staff.

ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, yes, (b)(5)

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(b)(6) (b)(5)

CHAIRMAN: Yes.

ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

CHAIRMAN: (b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, well, I'm going to turn that into English (b)(5) (b)(6)

CHAIRMAN: Perfect, (b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, yeah, that's not a problem. I can take care of that.

CHAIRMAN: Yeah, and then - good, so I'm

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ELIOT BRENNER:

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ELIOT BRENNER:

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CHAIRMAN:

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ELIOT BRENNER:

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CHAIRMAN:

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ELIOT BRENNER: No.

CHAIRMAN:

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ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

CHAIRMAN:

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10 ELIOT BRENNER:

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12 CHAIRMAN: Exactly.

13 ELIOT BRENNER: Got it, got it.

14 CHAIRMAN: Exactly.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: I'm good. I got it taken
16 care of.

17 CHAIRMAN:

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22 ELIOT BRENNER:

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25 CHAIRMAN: Yes, exactly.

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ELIOT BRENNER: Got it. It's done.

CHAIRMAN: Okay, thanks, Eliot.

ELIOT BRENNER: Sure.

CHAIRMAN: Appreciate it.

ELIOT BRENNER: Bye.

CHAIRMAN: Bye.

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FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Hello?

ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, it's me.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yes?

ELIOT BRENNER: It'll probably be another hour or two before I get out of here. It's going from bad to worse.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yeah, I've got CNN on right now.

ELIOT BRENNER: All right, okay. Just thought I'd let you know.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: (b)(6)

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ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)

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FEMALE PARTICIPANT: (b)(6)

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ELIOT BRENNER: Well, okay.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: (b)(6)

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ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: (b)(6)

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ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: (b)(6)

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ELIOT BRENNER: All right.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: (b)(6)

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ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, okay.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay?

ELIOT BRENNER: Bye.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Bye.

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FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Office of Public
Affairs.

JOSH: Hey, it's Josh. Did Eliot make
it back over there?

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yeah.

JOSH: Can I talk to him real quick?

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Yeah, hang on.

ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, sir?

JOSH: Hey, it's Josh. At that place we
went today -

ELIOT BRENNER: Hang on just a second,
I'm sorry. I got a little problem with my phone.
Go ahead, I'm sorry.

JOSH: (b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER: No, I'm going to be back

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

JOSH: Yeah, I'm looking at your email,
and I haven't gotten to it. But do you remember?

1 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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4 JOSH: (b)(5)

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8 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah -

9 JOSH: Okay, I'll see you in a bit.

10 ELIOT BRENNER: Give me about three
11 minutes to get back -

12 JOSH: Yep, sure.

13 ELIOT BRENNER: - so I can pull the
14 transcript.

15 JOSH: Sure, sure, sure. If you have an
16 extra charger?

17 ELIOT BRENNER: Do I have an extra
18 charger?

19 JOSH: For a microport, that would be
20 awesome.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: You know what? I might.
22 Have you got something with a USB - yes, the answer
23 is yes. I've got to stop at my car.

24 JOSH: No, no, no, don't go to your car.
25 Come on back.

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1 ELIOT BRENNER: No, no, I've got an
2 adapter in the car.

3 JOSH: I'll find something.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: It's on the way.

5 JOSH: Okay.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Bye.

7 JOSH: All right.

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3 (b)(6) : Hello, (b)(6).

4 ELIOT BRENNER: Eliot Brenner.

5 (b)(6) : Hey, Eliot. How are you
6 doing man?

7 ELIOT BRENNER: I'm a little busy today,
8 but I just got an email that you had left a message
9 for me.

10 (Laughter)

11 (b)(6) How are you hanging in
12 there buddy?

13 ELIOT BRENNER: Well, you know, I'm on
14 day four of 15-18 hour days.

15 (b)(6) : Oh, geez.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: With no end in sight.
17 But I got a good team, so.

18 (b)(6) : Well, that's good. Well, I
19 thought of you immediately when all of a sudden they
20 used the word nuclear, so.

21 (Laughter)

22 ELIOT BRENNER: Well, listen, I'm sitting
23 here watching the Japanese Prime Minister say, "Now,
24 I don't want anybody to panic, but-"

25 (b)(6) : Right.

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1 (Laughter)

2 (b)(6) Right. Well, there was
3 something on CNBC about, I guess, two hours ago or
4 something, where the guy in Singapore or whatever
5 was freaking out because the - I guess the person at
6 the EPA or whatever just wasn't saying what he
7 thought they should say.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah, there's a real
9 problem here is that we're all in crisis mode, and
10 we can't leave our desks long enough to go out and
11 talk to people. And I was able to get our Chairman
12 up on the White House podium today, which was good
13 for the agency, but this is - you know, plane
14 crashes, they're over and done with in 12 hours.

15 (b)(6): Right, right, right.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: Except for the
17 recriminations and the, "Now where was that air
18 worthiness directive, and had it been complied
19 with?"

20 (b)(6): Yeah.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: Here, nuclear things
22 unfold very slowly, which means there's a lot more
23 time for the wackos to get on the air and make your
24 life miserable.

25 (Laughter)

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1 (b)(6): Oh, man.

2 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah.

3 (b)(6): Well, I just wanted to
4 offer a hey, we're thinking about you out here, and
5 good luck.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Thank you.

7 (b)(6): And when this gets all
8 over, I want - (b)(6)

9 (b)(6)

10 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah. Hey, do you know

11 (b)(6)

12 (b)(6): I do.

13 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

14 (b)(6): Yeah.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)

16 (b)(6)

17 (b)(6): Oh, okay.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: And I hadn't talked to
19 him in a while, so just tell him you and I talked
20 last night, the night before.

21 (b)(6): I will definitely do that.

22 And once this kind of slows down, I'll shoot you an
23 email. (b)(6)

24 ELIOT BRENNER: Absolutely. And if
25 you'll pardon me, I must go back to the crisis.

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(b)(6): Okay, take care, Eliot.

ELIOT BRENNER: See you, man.

(b)(6): Bye.

ELIOT BRENNER: Bye.

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3 (b)(6) Hello, it's (b)(6)

4 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6) this is Eliot
5 Brenner at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

6 (b)(6): Hi there, Eliot. How are you?

7 ELIOT BRENNER: Pretty good. Listen, you
8 left a message on our voicemail a while back asking
9 for the Chairman for (b)(6), and I can't do that, but I
10 did want to get back to you.

11 (b)(6): Oh, well, I appreciate that. I
12 actually spoke with Holly probably about an hour ago
13 about that -

14 ELIOT BRENNER: Yeah.

15 (b)(6): - request. I don't think I left
16 any voicemails or anything.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: Oh, okay, all right.

18 (b)(6): Is he not doing any interviews
19 at all?

20 ELIOT BRENNER: He's not doing anything
21 in the morning. Listen, we are still locked up in
22 our ops center.

23 (b)(6) Okay.

24 ELIOT BRENNER: And at some point we got
25 to get a little sleep.

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1 (b)(6): Yeah, no, of course, I
2 understand, okay.

3 ELIOT BRENNER: So, I mean, we've been
4 doing this about 18 hours a day, most of us, for
5 four days now, and it's - it's beginning to wear a
6 little thin.

7 (b)(6): No, I'm sure it is. I've
8 certainly been in that situation before. I know
9 it's no fun. And you guys are under much more
10 pressure than we ever are, so.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Well, it's - yeah, it's a
12 little interesting when you're on the end, the
13 responsible end, and I don't mean that irreverently.

14 (b)(6): No, no, no, of course.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

16 (b)(6): I completely understand.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: All right.

18 (b)(6): Well, I hope it's okay if I'm in
19 touch again tomorrow -

20 ELIOT BRENNER: Absolutely, keep checking
21 with us. You know, things may change.

22 (b)(6): Okay.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: A bunch of your other (b)(6)
24 producers are talking to me about, you know, "Can we
25 get your guys in Tokyo? Can I blah, get this, get

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1 that?"

2 (b)(6): Right, right.

3 ELIOT BRENNER: I must - you know, I'm
4 going to have the phone numbers of every booker in
5 America by the time this is done.

6 (b)(6): Yeah, I'm sure you probably
7 will.

8 (Laughter)

9 ELIOT BRENNER: All right.

10 (b)(6): Hey, so, what's the best way to
11 stay in touch with you, Eliot?

12 ELIOT BRENNER: 8200 is really the best
13 way.

14 (b)(6): Okay.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: During the day, I've got
16 people who are manning my phones, and monitoring the
17 incoming, and keeping me apprised of what's going
18 on.

19 (b)(6): Okay.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: And at night, we've got
21 the phone up on voicemail, but we check it pretty
22 regularly.

23 (b)(6): Okay, all right.

24 ELIOT BRENNER: I don't want to give out
25 the phone at our working desks here in the command

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1 center, so.

2 (b)(6): Yeah, no, that's understandable.

3 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

4 (b)(6): Okay. Eliot, thanks a lot. I
5 hope you get some sleep tonight.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: So do I.

7 (b)(6): Okay.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Talk to you later.

9 (b)(6): Hang in there.

10 ELIOT BRENNER: Buh-bye.

11 (b)(6): Buh-bye.

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3 Conference call initiated.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: Eliot Brenner.

5 MALE PARTICIPANT: Hi, Eliot. I've got
6 a call for you from the State Department.

7 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

8 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Hello.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, it's Eliot Brenner.

10 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Hi, sir. Just a
11 moment. Acting Assistant Secretary Hammer and
12 Suzanne Basalla from Tokyo are on the line for you.

13 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay. Just yes, let me
14 put you up on the speaker.

15 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay.

16 JOSH BATKIN: Oh, no, we did that.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, Josh.

18 JOSH BATKIN: I got the Embassy coming
19 up on the line.

20 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Are we ready?

21 ELIOT BRENNER: We're here.

22 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay. Just a
23 moment. Adding Mr. Brenner.

24 SUZANNE BASALLA: Thank you.

25 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Would you like me

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1 to stay on the line or would you like me to drop?

2 MIKE HAMMER: Yes. No, please get off.
3 There's no need for you to stay.

4 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay. No problem.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: Can we have the
6 conversation stepped aside, please? Thank you. Go
7 ahead.

8 MIKE HAMMER: All right. Mike Hammer
9 from State Public Affairs, and you've got Suzanne
10 Basalla from Embassy Tokyo. (b)(5)

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20 Does that
work for you?

21 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes. Walk me through
22 this. I've got a document that's just about done.

23 MIKE HAMMER: Right.

24 ELIOT BRENNER: I need, I've got some
25 supporting data that I want to have run into PDFs

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1 that I can attach to my document.

2 MIKE HAMMER: Right.

3 ELIOT BRENNER: But I can share with you
4 the text very quickly and easily.

5 MIKE HAMMER: Right.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: You don't need all of
7 this --

8 MIKE HAMMER: We don't --

(b)(5)

9 (b)(5)

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12 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

13 MIKE HAMMER: Because if you go and then

14 (b)(5)

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17 we're kind of in a really difficult circumstance.

18 So --

19 ELIOT BRENNER: Understood and we can,
20 you tell me how it works, how you want it to work.

21 MIKE HAMMER: What would be ideal would
22 be if, with you and Suzanne or Embassy Tokyo, if
23 you're just, you know, linked up and basically talk
24 and say, okay, we're hitting send now.

25 SUZANNE BASALLA: Yes.

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1 MIKE HAMMER: And then they're near-
2 simultaneous and, if there's some issue, then we
3 can, again, conference everybody in and walk through
4 it.

5 SUZANNE BASALLA: I think that would be

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16 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay. That sounds fine.

17 In about five minutes, I'm going to share around
18 what it is I have, as a courtesy, in draft, while my
19 people do the PDF conversion so that I can attach
20 the document. I will let you know when I am
21 prepared to go, and you --

22 SUZANNE BASALLA: Okay.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: You can then notify me
24 or whoever is sitting at this position --

25 SUZANNE BASALLA: Okay.

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1 ELIOT BRENNER: -- that you have pushed
2 your button.

3 SUZANNE BASALLA: Okay.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: We will then notify our
5 IT person, who is on standby, and release our
6 document.

7 SUZANNE BASALLA: Okay.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Now --

9 MIKE HAMMER: Terrific.

10 ELIOT BRENNER: -- I have one email,
11 Basalla, sbasallasi --

12 SUZANNE BASALLA: Yes, that's me.

13 ELIOT BRENNER: -- @state.gov. Is there
14 any other, (b)(5)

15 SUZANNE BASALLA: I --

16 MIKE HAMMER: (b)(5)

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21 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay. Do I --

22 SUZANNE BASALLA: (b)(5)

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1 people for their reference and so, I can bundle them
2 together when I forward it on.

3 ELIOT BRENNER: Sure. You will not
4 have, I don't expect by that point, the --

5 SUZANNE BASALLA: Raw data PDF?

6 ELIOT BRENNER: -- raw data PDF stuff.

7 SUZANNE BASALLA: Okay, that's fine.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Now, is the only person
9 with whom we need to coordinate the, and please
10 forgive me, I'm reaching the edge of my coherency --

11 MIKE HAMMER: No.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: -- the
13 basallasi@state.gov?

14 SUZANNE BASALLA: That should work, yes.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay. You --

16 MIKE HAMMER: If you wouldn't mind, if
17 you could, I'm having email trouble, but if you
18 could also email, I look to be receiving, so that's
19 at least a good thing. I'm at hammer, H-A-M-M-E-R,
20 M, as in Mike, A, @state.gov.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay. I'm going to send
22 you, and the two of you (b)(6), the language.
23 It'll be an attached Word document with Draft across
24 the top of it. You'll probably get it within about
25 five minutes, while we then continue on trying to

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1 attach documents to it.

2 SUSANNE BASALLA: Okay.

3 MIKE HAMMER: Okay, let's do it.

4 SUZANNE BASALLA: That sounds great.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: Then as I understand it,
6 pay attention. As I understand it, you will call us
7 with a verbal confirmation that you have transmitted
8 your document and we will follow.

9 SUZANNE BASALLA: Yes. I will call you
10 at the Ops Center and give you the verbal
11 confirmation that I'm transmitting and you will
12 follow.

13 ELIOT BRENNER: All right. Thank you
14 very much.

15 MIKE HAMMER: Terrific.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: We are on the same piece
17 of sheet music.

18 SUZANNE BASALLA: Awesome.

19 MIKE HAMMER: Terrific. Thanks.

20 SUZANNE BASALLA: I hope you get some
21 rest. Thanks for all your help.

22 ELIOT BRENNER: So do I. Thank you.

23 SUZANNE BASALLA: Thank you. Bye bye.

24 MIKE HAMMER: And, Suzanne --

25 SUZANNE BASALLA: Yes, sir.

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MIKE HAMMER: Thank you. Yes, before
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3 (Dial tone.)

4 (Phone rings.)

5 AUTOMATED MESSAGE: Hi. This is Laura
6 Brown from FAA Public Affairs. Please leave me a
7 message and I'll get back to you as soon as I can.
8 If you need to reach me on my cell phone, the number
9 is (b)(6) and my email is
10 laura.j.brown@faa.gov. Thanks. Bye.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Laura, it's Eliot.
12 Little bit busy, I think I told you. Had an
13 overnight query from (b)(6) as to whether we had --
14 we, the NRC, had communicated with the FAA regarding
15 meteorological, radiological conditions to provide
16 the FAA with any guidance on possible moving of
17 flight tracks. The answer is yes, but the
18 information that we provided did not suggest any
19 moving.

20 I'm -- send me a note or call me on either my
21 cell or 301-816-5107. I have not returned the call.

22 I just thought I'd tag up with you and make sure
23 you were aware. Talk to you later. Bye.

24 (Tape ends.)

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5 ELIOT BRENNER: NRC Public Affairs.

6 HOLLY: It's Holly.

7 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

8 HOLLY: A couple of things, do you have
9 a minute?

10 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

11 HOLLY: Whether you or Undine are
12 working on the Q&As, you know, that's going to be
13 the three-headed monster for us.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, I'm familiar with
15 it.

16 HOLLY: Yes. I think we need to merge
17 those three questions and just, within the document,
18 explain what the differences are.

19 ELIOT BRENNER: I don't know what three
20 questions you're talking --

21 HOLLY: Oh, I'm sorry. I thought I was
22 talking to Scott.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: No, you're talking to
24 Eliot.

25 HOLLY: Oh.

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1 ELIOT BRENNER: Scott's on the phone
2 with somebody from NBC.

3 HOLLY: Okay.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: Are you on your way in?

5 HOLLY: No, not yet.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

7 HOLLY: I just got a call about, from
8 Brenda, that I just wanted to clarify something with
9 Scott. So just --

10 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay. When he gets
11 done, I will ask him to call you on your cell, is
12 it?

13 HOLLY: Yes.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

15 HOLLY: Yes, we'll just get our arms
16 around the Q&A.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay. And I think
18 Undine is helping work on that this morning.

19 HOLLY: Correct. Yes, that was what she
20 was supposed to do. How are you doing?

21 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay for now.

22 HOLLY: Okay. All right.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: I tell you what, hang on
24 a second. Undine is here. Let me hand the phone
25 over to her.

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1 HOLLY: Sure, that would be great.

2 UNDINE SHOOP: Hey, Holly.

3 HOLLY: Hi, Undine. How are you?

4 UNDINE SHOOP: Good. What's up?

5 HOLLY: You are working on the Q&As,
6 correct?

7 UNDINE SHOOP: Yes.

8 HOLLY: Or at least one part of the
9 Q&As, correct?

10 UNDINE SHOOP: No. Actually, at this
11 point, I have answers to three. Sorry. Scott just
12 told me to shush. I have, right now OIP is working
13 on the Japanese requirements. I have the U.S.
14 requirements and I have answers to two of the other
15 ones and I'm just waiting on Region 4 to give me
16 back water band information, to give me the band.

17 HOLLY: Fine. So, you're working on the
18 four questions that I emailed you last night that
19 OTA requested as sort of top priority, correct?

20 UNDINE SHOOP: Yes. Yes.

21 HOLLY: Perfect. Okay. Now, what you
22 may or may not know is that there are two other sets
23 of Q&As.

24 UNDINE SHOOP: I've just become aware of
25 that, because I just came back from talking to

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2 HOLLY: Okay. One of them we developed
3 Friday night for the Chairman and they're kind of
4 referred to as like the Chairman's talking points.

5 UNDINE SHOOP: Okay.

6 HOLLY: And I've written on the top
7 something like, to talk from but not to distribute,
8 something to that effect.

9 UNDINE SHOOP: Okay.

10 HOLLY: Okay. And then there's another
11 set of talking points that Rob Taylor was working on
12 with other questions that OCA and others are
13 anticipating. So, there's a total of three sets of
14 Q&As.

15 UNDINE SHOOP: Okay.

16 HOLLY: And I think that the Q&As are
17 becoming unmanageable.

18 UNDINE SHOOP: Yes.

19 HOLLY: Okay.

20 UNDINE SHOOP: It sounds that way.

21 HOLLY: Right. So what I wanted you or
22 Scott to do is put all three of these documents into
23 one document.

24 UNDINE SHOOP: Okay.

25 HOLLY: And just delineate, you know,

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1 one, Chairman's Q&As, two, Rob Taylor's Q&As, three,
2 OCA's Q&As. You know what I'm saying? So we keep
3 them separate. We don't sort of merge them all, but
4 if they're in one document, we're not chasing around
5 three documents.

6 UNDINE SHOOP: Okay. Now, you don't
7 want to put them, group them together so we have,
8 like, all four questions together?

9 HOLLY: Not yet. Not yet.

10 UNDINE SHOOP: Okay.

11 HOLLY: That's our next step. Right now
12 we simply need to get those three documents into one
13 document. When Rob comes in, we're going to start
14 to see if he can start dividing them up into
15 something that makes sense. But for right now, we
16 need to keep them separate because they're separate
17 audiences.

18 UNDINE SHOOP: Okay. That's what I was
19 kind of wondering.

20 HOLLY: Okay.

21 UNDINE SHOOP: Because I saw that Rob
22 was also part of this and I didn't know who was
23 doing what and how we all fit together.

24 HOLLY: Right. So, that's it. There
25 are four different audiences. They've come in in

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1 different routes and they're being done by different
2 people. So, we need to keep them separate, but I'd
3 like to have them be one document. So, if you
4 and/or Scott would do that. I know Scott has all
5 three of them, so it might be just he does it.

6 And save it with a file that says something
7 like, you know, the Universe of Q&As or something to
8 that effect, you know. And have it saved in a bunch
9 of different places, including the G drive in the
10 Crisis Communication Folder, which you will not have
11 access to. But that's okay. That's okay. We'll
12 deal with that later.

13 UNDINE SHOOP: Yes, I know.

14 HOLLY: Okay. So, talk to Scott. Tell
15 him that, in order to get our hands around this,
16 Holly proposes merging them, not mushing them
17 together, but just one on top of another, so we've
18 got one document. Okay?

19 UNDINE SHOOP: Now, do you still need
20 the four questions for --

21 HOLLY: Yes.

22 UNDINE SHOOP: -- Borchardt going down
23 at 1:00 today?

24 HOLLY: Yes.

25 UNDINE SHOOP: Okay.

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1 HOLLY: So, your priority working on
2 those remains the same.

3 UNDINE SHOOP: Okay.

4 HOLLY: I'm really just talking about a
5 functional thing to help us get our hands around it.
6 Okay?

7 UNDINE SHOOP: Okay.

8 HOLLY: So, you continue to do what
9 you're doing, but I would like all three of those
10 documents to become one document.

11 UNDINE SHOOP: Okay.

12 HOLLY: Does that make sense?

13 UNDINE SHOOP: Yes, it does.

14 HOLLY: Okay. All right. Thank you.

15 UNDINE SHOOP: You're welcome.

16 HOLLY: All right. Talk to you later.

17 UNDINE SHOOP: Bye.

18 (Tape ends.)
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5 JOSHUA BATKIN: This is Josh.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: This is Eliot.

7 JOSHUA BATKIN: Hey.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

9 (b)(5) I'd like a little clarification.

10 JOSHUA BATKIN: Yes.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Were we intending to
12 attach any data?

13 JOSHUA BATKIN: Yes.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: All right.

15 JOSHUA BATKIN: So, same format as last
16 night. We would have the couple of pages of data
17 that supports our conclusion that the Japanese are
18 doing the right thing.

19 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay. Charlie, I need
20 the data that we've just run that validates our
21 opinion. I need it in a PDF so that I can attach it
22 to this very short little statement.

23 JOSHUA BATKIN: Yes.

24 ELIOT BRENNER: All right. I'll get it
25 as quick as I can.

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1 JOSHUA BATKIN: Okay. Did you talk to
2 (b)(5) ?
3 ELIOT BRENNER: I've sent email to him.
4 JOSHUA BATKIN: Okay.
5 ELIOT BRENNER: I copied you.
6 JOSHUA BATKIN: Eliot?
7 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.
8 JOSHUA BATKIN: (b)(5)
9 (b)(5)
10 ELIOT BRENNER: I made it clear that --
11 JOSHUA BATKIN: Okay.
12 ELIOT BRENNER: -- that, you know, check
13 my note to him. But, yes, I --
14 JOSHUA BATKIN: Yes, I don't know if I
15 was too short, but I don't mean to be, (b)(5)
16 (b)(5)
17 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.
18 JOSHUA BATKIN: Okay.
19 ELIOT BRENNER: I'll make sure he
20 understands that.
21 JOSHUA BATKIN: Okay.
22 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay. Bye.
23 JOSHUA BATKIN: And that's not, you
24 know, we're happy to come again tomorrow or
25 something.

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ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

JOSHUA BATKIN: (b)(5)

(b)(5)

ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

JOSHUA BATKIN: Okay.

ELIOT BRENNER: Bye.

(Tape ends.)

1 (CONFERENCE CALL INITIATED)

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3 (Dial tone.)

4 (Phone rings.)

5 (b)(5) : Please leave me a
6 message.

7 AUTOMATED MESSAGE: At the tone, please
8 record your message. When you have finished
9 recording, you may hang up or press one for more
10 options.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Hi. This is Eliot
12 Brenner at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission calling
13 with a message for Mr. (b)(5) (phonetic). I
14 hope I pronounced that correctly. We understand
15 your concern. I should tell you that our best
16 scientists have been crunching numbers and feel very
17 confident that no levels of radiation that would
18 result in any harm to Americans would reach U.S.
19 territory. We are putting out another press release
20 to that effect very shortly and will probably have
21 some of the raw data attached to it.

22 Thank you for your concern and I'm sorry we
23 didn't get a chance to chat. I apologize, I'm
24 rather busy today. Take care. Thanks for calling.
25 Bye bye.

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3 ELIOT BRENNER: Eliot Brenner.

4 LAURA BROWN: Hey, it's Laura.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey. How are you,
6 kiddo?

7 LAURA BROWN: Good. So, (b)(5) called
8 me this morning and --

9 ELIOT BRENNER: Did they?

10 LAURA BROWN: -- we had to prepare two
11 questions (b)(5) I
12 basically took the answers to those two questions
13 and turned them into a statement.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

15 LAURA BROWN: And basically said, here.
16 Let me go find it. But what, I'll read it to you
17 and I can send it to you, too, but hold on. Okay.
18 So, it says, we are actively coordinating with the
19 Japanese Civil Aviation Authority and other U.S.
20 Government Agencies working on this issue to
21 identify any potential hazards that Civil Aviation
22 posed by the damaged reactors at the, I don't know
23 how you say it, the Fukushima --

24 ELIOT BRENNER: The whatever.

25 LAURA BROWN: -- Fukushima, Fukushima

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1 Nuclear Power Plant.

2 ELIOT BRENNER: The (b)(6) reactor.

3 LAURA BROWN: Yes, right. The Japanese
4 Civil Aviation Authority has established flight
5 restrictions, keeping civil aviation flights well
6 away from the Fukushima facility. U.S. carriers
7 have indicated that they are complying with these
8 restrictions. There is no credible information
9 available at this point indicating the need for
10 further restrictions.

11 If the situation at Fukushima worsens and we
12 see credible indications that radiological hazards
13 to aviation exist beyond the flight restriction
14 areas already established by the Japanese Civil
15 Aviation Authority, the FAA is prepared to take air
16 traffic management measures, including the rerouting
17 of air traffic, in consultation with our Japanese
18 counterparts, to protect affected civil aviation.
19 If this scenario were to occur, we anticipate that
20 the U.S. carriers and other operators flying in the
21 affected air space would revise their flight
22 schedules.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: Would make the
24 appropriate course corrections.

25 LAURA BROWN: Yes, right. Exactly. So

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2 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, you can land in
3 Seoul just as easy as you can land in Tokyo.

4 LAURA BROWN: Yes. So, that's, you
5 know, all we're saying at this point.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

7 LAURA BROWN: (b)(5)

8 ELIOT BRENNER: That's good. I had not
9 gotten around to returning the call and I was going
10 to tag up with you before I did it.

11 LAURA BROWN: Here, I'll send it.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

13 LAURA BROWN: We had to send this to the
14 (b)(5) 5:00 last night, but I only gave it
15 to (b)(6) this morning.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, they were the only
17 ones who asked us, but I can tell them we've
18 consulted with the FAA and you can talk to them
19 about what their action is.

20 LAURA BROWN: There you go. I just sent
21 it to you.

22 ELIOT BRENNER: It'll arrive
23 momentarily. (b)(6)

24 LAURA BROWN: Oh, I bet.

25 ELIOT BRENNER: Unbelievable.

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1 LAURA BROWN: Yes, I heard your guy. I
2 got the transcript of the thing at the White House
3 yesterday.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)
5 (b)(6)

6 LAURA BROWN: Oh.

7 ELIOT BRENNER: Got one of these, you
8 know, energy efficient things that turns off the
9 lights. You walk in the room and you trip the

10 (b)(6)
11 (b)(6)
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13 LAURA BROWN: Oh, no.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: -- (b)(6)
15 (b)(6)

16 LAURA BROWN: Oh, no.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)
18 (b)(6) --

19 LAURA BROWN: Oh, no.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: -- (b)(6)
21 (b)(6).

22 LAURA BROWN: Oh, no.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)
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3 LAURA BROWN: What?

4 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)

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6 LAURA BROWN: (b)(6)

7 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)

8 (b)(6)

9 LAURA BROWN: Oh, really?

10 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)

11 LAURA BROWN: Oh, okay. (b)(6)

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

13 LAURA BROWN: Okay.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes. I'll catch you up

15 (b)(6)

16 LAURA BROWN: Okay.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: It's fun. I've made the
18 boss very happy.

19 LAURA BROWN: Good. Good. That's
20 always good.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)

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4 LAURA BROWN: That's funny. That's very
5 funny.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: I'll talk to you later.
7 Thanks a lot.

8 LAURA BROWN: Okay. Take care. Bye
9 bye.

10 ELIOT BRENNER: Bye bye.

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(Dial tone.)

(Phone rings.)

AUTOMATED MESSAGE: Hi, you've reached
Josh Batkin with Chairman Jaczko at the Nuclear
Regulatory --

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3 (Dial tone.)

4 (Phone rings.)

5 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: The (b)(5).

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, ma'am. This is the
7 Nuclear Regulatory Commission. I need to speak with
8 (b)(6) in (b)(5).

9 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: One moment.

10 ELIOT BRENNER: Thank you.

11 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: You're welcome.

12 (Phone rings.)

13 (b)(6): Hi, this is (b)(6)

14 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6) it's Eliot
15 Brenner.

16 (b)(6) Hey, how are you, sir?

17 ELIOT BRENNER: Well, vertical. That's
18 a good start for the day.

19 (b)(6): That's a great start.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)

21 (b)(6)

22 (b)(6) Yes, I know. I replied
23 back to you.

24 ELIOT BRENNER: Oh, I'm sorry. I didn't
25 see it. I apologize.

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(b)(6): Yes. No. Totally understand and agree. Yes, I just replied back --

ELIOT BRENNER: I got it.

(b)(6): -- thanking you guys for everything and just keep me posted on whenever you are ready to go.

ELIOT BRENNER: Yes. I'm trying to

(b)(6)

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(b)(6): Sounds good, brother.

ELIOT BRENNER: I'm sorry?

(b)(6): Sounds good, my man.

ELIOT BRENNER: Okay. All right.

(b)(6): All right. Bye.

ELIOT BRENNER: Let us go forth and do whatever the hell it is we do.

(b)(6): Thank you.

ELIOT BRENNER: See you, man. Bye.

(Tape ends.)

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3 (Phone rings.)

4 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Good morning.
5 Chairman Jaczko's Office.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: It's Eliot.

7 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Hello, Eliot.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)

9 (b)(6)

10 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

12 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: I will let him
13 know.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: And I need to talk to
15 Josh, if he can call me.

16 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: I think Josh might
17 be available right now.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: I'm sorry?

19 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: I think Josh might
20 be available right now, Eliot.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay. Great.

22 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Hold on one second.

23 (Pause.)

24 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Eliot, are you at
25 the Ops Center? He might just have to call you back.

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1 I'm sorry.

2 ELIOT BRENNER: That's fine.

3 FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: That's fine.

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3 ELIOT BRENNER: Desk, Brenner.

4 DIANE: Hey, it's Diane.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes. What?

6 DIANE: Hey, (b)(6) wants somebody to do a
7 live voice interview for their noon show, (b)(6)
8 (b)(6). I'm a little uncomfortable doing it.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: Then say no. How's
10 that?

11 DIANE: I didn't know whether someone
12 else wanted to do it.

13 ELIOT BRENNER: No, that's fine. You
14 know, I'm not going to push you into something
15 you're uncomfortable with. I've got Scott tied up at
16 that point and I sure as hell can't break away to do
17 it. So tell them thanks, but we really don't have
18 anybody available.

19 DIANE: Okay.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: If things slow down a
21 little, we would reconsider.

22 DIANE: Okay.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay?

24 DIANE: Yes. Thanks.

25 ELIOT BRENNER: Bye.

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3 ELIOT BRENNER: Public Affairs, Brenner.

4 DIANE: Hey, Eliot, it's Diane.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: Can you call me back in
6 about three minutes?

7 DIANE: Yes.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Bye.

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3 (Dial tone.)

4 (Phone rings.)

5 CATINA GIBBS: Chairman Jaczko's office,
6 Catina.

7 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, it's Eliot Brenner.

8 CATINA GIBBS: Hi. How are you?

9 ELIOT BRENNER: Is young Mr. Batkin
10 about?

11 CATINA GIBBS: One moment. Hold on.

12 (Pause.)

13 CATINA GIBBS: Eliot, he's in a meeting
14 at the moment.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: I'm sorry. What?

16 CATINA GIBBS: He's in a meeting.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

18 CATINA GIBBS: Can I have him call you
19 when he returns?

20 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes. Do you have a clue
21 when he's going to step out?

22 CATINA GIBBS: Out for the day, you
23 mean?

24 ELIOT BRENNER: No, step out of the
25 meeting?

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1 CATINA GIBBS: Well, no. He probably
2 will be back here around 11:30,11:45.

3 ELIOT BRENNER: 11:30 or 11:45. All
4 right. I'm going to act unilaterally. I can deal
5 with this later. Don't worry about it.

6 CATINA GIBBS: Okay. Because I could
7 shoot him an email, because he's always checking
8 that.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: Well, I sent him an
10 email.

11 CATINA GIBBS: Okay.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: And asked him to take a
13 look at something. So, tell you what, I'll hold off
14 a few minutes.

15 CATINA GIBBS: Okay. All right.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: If you see him walk by,
17 say, call Eliot.

18 CATINA GIBBS: Okay.

19 ELIOT BRENNER: Thanks.

20 CATINA GIBBS: Thank you.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: Bye.

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3 ELIOT BRENNER: Eliot Brenner.

4 CHRISTINE STEGER: Hey Eliot, it's
5 Christine Steger. How are you?

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Just fine.

7 CHRISTINE STEGER: Good. I was actually
8 calling for Scott. I just heard from Dave McIntyre.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

10 CHRISTINE STEGER: He's on his way. He
11 might be there a little bit after 11:30.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: That's okay.

13 CHRISTINE STEGER: Okay.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: That's okay. We'll
15 survive.

16 CHRISTINE STEGER: Okay, great.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)

18 (b)(6)

19 (b)(6)

20 CHRISTINE STEGER: That's all right.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay. Talk to you
22 later.

23 CHRISTINE STEGER: All right. Thanks,
24 Eliot. Bye.

25 (Tape ends.)

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4 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, it's Eliot. Stand
5 by just a second.

6 SUZANNE BASALLA: Okay.

7 (Pause.)

8 MARGARET DOANE: Hi, this is Margie
9 Doane.

10 SUZANNE BASALLA: Oh, hi. This is
11 Suzanne Basalla calling from Embassy Tokyo.

12 MARGARET DOANE: Yes.

13 SUZANNE BASALLA: And I appreciate your
14 comments on the press guidance and I wanted to talk
15 to you about it, because I think the way you

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24 MARGARET DOANE: Yes. You could --

25 SUZANNE BASALLA: I just wanted to see

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MARGARET DOANE:

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SUZANNE BASALLA: Yes.

MARGARET DOANE: --

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SUZANNE BASALLA: Yes. Maybe let's look

at that,

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3 MARGARET DOANE: (b)(5)

4 (b)(5) --

5 SUZANNE BASALLA: Yes. So, I
6 understand.

7 MARGARET DOANE: Okay.

8 SUZANNE BASALLA: So, from the

9 (b)(5)

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11 MARGARET DOANE: I see. I see.

12 SUZANNE BASALLA: -- wasn't so much

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18 MARGARET DOANE: But we don't have --

19 SUZANNE BASALLA: (b)(5)

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23 MARGARET DOANE: Yes. So, maybe we
24 should say that. (b)(5)

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SUZANNE BASALLA: Don't you have it?

MARGARET DOANE: So it says, (b)(5)

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SUZANNE BASALLA: Yes.

MARGARET DOANE: (b)(5)

SUZANNE BASALLA: Yes. (b)(5)

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MARGARET DOANE: Okay.

SUZANNE BASALLA: Maybe something like

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MARGARET DOANE: (b)(5)

(b)(5)

SUZANNE BASALLA: Yes. (b)(5)

(b)(5) Okay. Let's see. Where did you

put it. I'm sorry. (b)(6)

too.

MARGARET DOANE: No, no, no, please.

SUZANNE BASALLA: So, (b)(5) --

MARGARET DOANE: (b)(6) So --

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1 SUZANNE BASALLA: Wait, you can't be.
2 It's only 11:30 for you.

3 MARGARET DOANE: Yes, but I went to bed

4 (b)(6)

5 SUZANNE BASALLA: Oh, okay.

6 MARGARET DOANE: (b)(6)

7 SUZANNE BASALLA: (b)(5)

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12 MARGARET DOANE: Yes. You're right.
13 You're right. That does.

14 SUZANNE BASALLA: So the other thing is,

15 (b)(5) --

16 MARGARET DOANE: Maybe you could say
17 this. (b)(5)

18 (b)(5)

19 (b)(5)

20 SUZANNE BASALLA: Okay. Let me see

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23 (b)(5) --

24 MARGARET DOANE: No, because that
25 changes it.

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SUZANNE BASALLA: Yes.

MARGARET DOANE: He wants to get in the

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SUZANNE BASALLA: He sees it as a little
bit of a --

MARGARET DOANE: (b)(5)

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SUZANNE BASALLA: -- (b)(5)

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MARGARET DOANE: Okay. How about --

SUZANNE BASALLA: (b)(5)

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MARGARET DOANE: (b)(5)

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SUZANNE BASALLA: (b)(5)

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MARGARET DOANE: Okay. So, maybe --

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SUZANNE BASALLA: (b)(5)

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MARGARET DOANE: No, I understand. I understand. (b)(5)

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SUZANNE BASALLA: Yes.

MARGARET DOANE: Then, maybe, the next

(b)(5)

(b)(5)

SUZANNE BASALLA: Yes.

MARGARET DOANE: (b)(5)

SUZANNE BASALLA: (b)(5)

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MARGARET DOANE: And then period.

SUZANNE BASALLA: (b)(5)

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MARGARET DOANE: (b)(5)

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SUZANNE BASALLA: Yes. Somehow, I feel

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MARGARET DOANE: Okay. Okay.

SUZANNE BASALLA: (b)(5)

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You know?

MARGARET DOANE: That's absolutely opposite.

SUZANNE BASALLA: (b)(5)

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(b)(5) --

MARGARET DOANE: (b)(5)

(b)(5)

SUZANNE BASALLA: Yes. Yes. So, what about just --

MARGARET DOANE: Eliot can help us. He seems to be wide awake. Eliot.

SUZANNE BASALLA: Go ahead.

MARGARET DOANE: (b)(5)

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SUZANNE BASALLA: Suzanne.

MARGARET DOANE: Suzanne. And so, what

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SUZANNE BASALLA: Yes. I mean, can you go back and look at the original and, hello?

MARGARET DOANE: I'm sorry.

SUZANNE BASALLA: Yes, it's okay. What was your name again?

MARGARET DOANE: Margie.

SUZANNE BASALLA: Margie, sorry.

MARGARET DOANE: Yes.

SUZANNE BASALLA: So, Margie, can you --

MARGARET DOANE: Yes. Yes.

SUZANNE BASALLA: I mean, looking at the

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MARGARET DOANE: (b)(5)

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SUZANNE BASALLA: Yes.

MARGARET DOANE: Yes.

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SUZANNE BASALLA:

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MARGARET DOANE: Yes. Yes.

SUZANNE BASALLA: I like that, actually.

And then --

MARGARET DOANE: But we're looking at, Suzanne, if you put that back in --

SUZANNE BASALLA: Although --

MARGARET DOANE: Oh, Eliot says take out

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SUZANNE BASALLA: Okay.

MARGARET DOANE: And then leave that in and

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SUZANNE BASALLA:

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SUZANNE BASALLA: (b)(5)

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MARGARET DOANE: Exactly, and --

SUZANNE BASALLA: (b)(5)

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MARGARET DOANE: That's fine. That's perfect.

SUZANNE BASALLA: Okay.

MARGARET DOANE: Oh, brilliant. Good job.

SUZANNE BASALLA: All right. We'll try that. Okay.

MARGARET DOANE: (b)(5)

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SUZANNE BASALLA: Yes.

MARGARET DOANE: (b)(5)

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SUZANNE BASALLA: Okay.

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MARGARET DOANE: That's what we were

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SUZANNE BASALLA: Oh, I see. I see.

Yes.

MARGARET DOANE: And all we're trying to

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SUZANNE BASALLA: I see. Okay.

MARGARET DOANE: -- (b)(5)

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SUZANNE BASALLA: All right. All right.

Okay. Let me put it together. I think I might need

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(b)(5) then I'll follow-up on email.

MARGARET DOANE: Okay. If you want to

talk again, (b)(5)

SUZANNE BASALLA: Okay.

MARGARET DOANE: We're good with

whatever he wants to do.

SUZANNE BASALLA: Thanks for your help.

Thank you. Thanks for your help.

MARGARET DOANE: Okay.

SUZANNE BASALLA: Okay. Bye bye.

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1 MARGARET DOANE: Oh, just a second,
2 Suzanne. Here's Eliot one more time. Hey, good luck
3 over there.

4 SUZANNE BASALLA: Thank you.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey, Suzanne?

6 SUZANNE BASALLA: Yes.

7 ELIOT BRENNER: Listen, I've not heard
8 back from my Chairman about the release that I have,
9 but I have authority to act --

10 SUZANNE BASALLA: Okay.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: -- and beg forgiveness
12 later. So, you just let me know.

13 SUZANNE BASALLA: Okay.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: And --

15 SUZANNE BASALLA: Well, I've got a
16 'little bit more time to work this with Hammer and few
17 other people.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

19 SUZANNE BASALLA: But once I get it
20 done, I do want to get out of here and let people go
21 to bed.

22 ELIOT BRENNER: I understand that. You
23 just let me know when you have acted --

24 SUZANNE BASALLA: Okay.

25 ELIOT BRENNER: -- and I will act.

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SUZANNE BASALLA: Awesome. Thank you.

ELIOT BRENNER: Yes. Thank you.

SUZANNE BASALLA: Good night. Bye bye.

ELIOT BRENNER: Bye bye.

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(Phone rings.)

AUTOMATED MESSAGE: You have reached Dan
Wystyko (phonetic). You can either leave me a
message here or email me, dan, dot -

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3 ELIOT BRENNER: Eliot Brenner.

4 HOLLY: Hey Eliot, it's Holly.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey Holly, it's Eliot.

6 HOLLY: I am here in the office.

7 ELIOT BRENNER: Oh, you're in the
8 office?

9 HOLLY: Yes. And I am kind of figuring
10 out what is going on here and putting out any fires
11 that need to be put out and then I was going to touch
12 base with you and see how things are going there.

13 ELIOT BRENNER: Well, things are going
14 reasonably well. I have been instructed to leave and
15 get some rest, and to, if I want, be available for a
16 5:00 downtown at the downtown office, murder board.

17 HOLLY: I think that's a marvelous --

18 ELIOT BRENNER: And then to go home and
19 sleep, because the Chairman wants me at full speed
20 for the next two days.

21 HOLLY: Yes. That's great. I'm
22 thrilled.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: There are a number of
24 messages out there. One outstanding thing is I'm
25 going to ask Dave if he can work with Bill Ruland to

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1 spend a few minutes on the phone with (b)(6)
2 (phonetic) about BWRs on background.

3 HOLLY: Right.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: Scott is doing the VOA
5 interview. The rest of the stuff we're either
6 talking to on background, answering emails, or
7 calling and saying thanks but no thanks. Q&A is up
8 on SharePoint and has been shared around, and that's
9 about -- I had a little confusion on a number of
10 people traveling, so we updated a press release.

11 HOLLY: Okay.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: A lot of incoming email,
13 but you don't want to talk to them and I'm
14 responding, look, let them get on the ground and get
15 settled. Maybe we can do something. We don't have a
16 press person with them now.

17 Borchardt is on the Hill with Becky doing a
18 Senate staff briefing, (b)(5)

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21 HOLLY: Good. Good.

22 ELIOT BRENNER: I expect a full report
23 later --

24 HOLLY: Excellent. (b)(5)

25 (b)(5)

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1 ELIOT BRENNER: -- (b)(5)

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4 HOLLY: Okay. I've got the internal
5 call center on hold. It doesn't look like we're
6 getting that many public calls that we have to start
7 that up.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: The Chairman's office is
9 calling me. You want to stand by?

10 HOLLY: Sure.

11 (Pause.)

12 ELIOT BRENNER: I've got to come over to
13 the building to Josh.

14 HOLLY: Okay. Talk to me when you can.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay, bye.

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3 DAVID MCINTYRE: Public Affairs, Dave
4 McIntyre.

5 (b)(6): Hi, Dave. My name is
6 (b)(6). I'm the (b)(6) with
7 (b)(6) down here in (b)(6) and I
8 had two quick questions for you, if you've got a
9 second.

10 DAVE MCINTYRE: I'll try.

11 (b)(6): How many nuclear
12 plants are currently in development in the United
13 States?

14 DAVE MCINTYRE: Depends on what you mean
15 by in development.

16 (b)(6): Okay.

17 DAVE MCINTYRE: We have 12 applications
18 under review for a total of 18 new reactors.

19 (b)(6) Okay.

20 DAVE MCINTYRE: But none of them are in
21 construction yet.

22 (b)(6): Sure.

23 DAVE MCINTYRE: There's some
24 preparatory, like, groundwork being done down at your
25 Vogtle site down near you.

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1 (b)(6): Yes. Yes. Okay. 12
2 applications, 18 reactors. None currently in
3 construction. And I mean, I know the NRC functions
4 independently of, you know, the sort of federal
5 government as a whole.

6 DAVE MCINTYRE: Correct.

7 (b)(6): But, you know, with
8 the tide seemingly changing for a moment with the
9 political landscape so far as nuclear support is
10 concerned, do you see that sort of changing any of
11 the regulatory procedures that have been in place? I
12 mean, is there going to be --

13 DAVE MCINTYRE: Sure.

14 (b)(6): -- an additional slow
15 down while some of this stuff gets considered and we
16 learn some lessons from Japan, or are things going to
17 proceed sort of as they have?

18 DAVE MCINTYRE: Well, I think it's a
19 little too early to say for sure on that. We
20 certainly would, once the dust settles here, look at
21 whatever information we can glean from this situation
22 in Japan for any lessons learned that we can apply
23 here to improve our regulation and oversight. As to
24 the political environment, I really can't speculate
25 on that. It's up to the utilities whether they want

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1 to continue, and I guess Congress. But it's just too
2 early to say what the, I don't -- I'm trying to avoid
3 the word fallout here.

4 (b)(6) Yes. Yes. No. I
5 used that earlier and immediately was like, oh,
6 that's probably not the best word.

7 DAVE MCINTYRE: Yes.

8 (b)(6) No, I know what you
9 mean. Absolutely. Great. Well that's, I think
10 that's all I really needed.

11 DAVE MCINTYRE: Okay.

12 (b)(6): I was curious.

13 DAVE MCINTYRE: And I'm sorry. What is
14 your name and paper again?

15 (b)(6): It's (b)(6).

16 DAVE MCINTYRE: Okay.

17 (b)(6): (b)(6). And
18 the (b)(6) (b)(6), (b)(6).

19 DAVE MCINTYRE: Okay.

20 (b)(6): (b)(6). And, yes, I
21 mean as you mentioned, you know, we've got the Vogtle
22 Project in our neighborhood and so, you know,
23 whenever this stuff pops up, it's --

24 DAVE MCINTYRE: Sure.

25 (b)(6) -- usually of local

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1 interest. So, I'm just trying to figure that out. I
2 was, you know, looking at what Lieberman and Schumer
3 and them were talking about.

4 DAVE MCINTYRE: Yes.

5 (b)(6): Talking about stopping
6 building and I thought to myself, I don't think
7 anyone's actually building except, you know, the
8 pushing dirt around up there, I guess.

9 DAVE MCINTYRE: Right. And I mean,
10 we're pretty far along on some of those earlier
11 applications that I mentioned. So, I mean they might
12 have been referring to that. There is a hearing
13 tomorrow on the House side of Capital Hill where our
14 Chairman will be testifying and it was originally
15 supposed to be a budget hearing. But we're told it's
16 going to focus mostly on the impact from Japan, now.

17 So, you might want to check in for reports on that,
18 too.

19 (b)(6): Yes, absolutely. I'll
20 definitely tune in for that. Great, man. Thanks so
21 much again for your time and, yes, have a good day.

22 DAVE MCINTYRE: Thanks. You too.

23 (b)(6): Thanks.

24 DAVE MCINTYRE: Bye.

25 (Tape ends.)
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3 DAVE MCINTYRE: Public Affairs, Dave
4 McIntyre.

5 HOLLY: Hey, Dave, it's Holly. Is Rob
6 there?

7 DAVE MCINTYRE: Yes.

8 HOLLY: Can I chat with him?

9 DAVE MCINTYRE: Sure. Rob, Holly needs
10 you.

11 ROB TAYLOR: Yes, ma'am.

12 HOLLY: Hello, dear.

13 ROB TAYLOR: Hello, dear.

14 HOLLY: Okay. You are the keeper of the
15 Q&As for now, is that correct?

16 ROB TAYLOR: That is my understanding.

17 HOLLY: Okay. That's --

18 ROBERT TAYLOR: And I got the email and
19 I'm just about to send a response. So, we were just
20 talking. Spiros was here and we were just talking
21 about the answer to that specific question. So, we
22 have a plan forward on that and Spiros is good with
23 it. So, I'm capturing that in an email back to
24 everybody.

25 HOLLY: Awesome. Okay. So, you are

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1 keeper of the Q&As until you are relieved of this
2 responsibility.

3 ROBERT TAYLOR: Absolutely, my ma'am.

4 HOLLY: So, if we get anything because I
5 just got something now from Nancy McNamara about
6 whatever. I'm going to send this to you. Anything
7 that we think needs to get added, I'm going to send
8 to you.

9 ROBERT TAYLOR: Okay. I will keep
10 adding them and let others cut them out when we don't
11 need them any more.

12 HOLLY: Exactly.

13 ROBERT TAYLOR: Okay.

14 HOLLY: Now, if you have any time to go
15 through that and pull into a separate document any
16 Q&As that might be used to respond to the public, I
17 don't know what's in the Q&As anymore. You know,
18 the, should I be taking KI. You know, anything that
19 we think that the public might ask. If we've got
20 anything in there, can you pull that into a separate
21 document and send it to me?

22 ROBERT TAYLOR: We can. We already have
23 a separate version that I just showed to Dave that
24 was his additional questions that we think might come
25 about and stuff like that. They were geared more

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1 towards, should I take KI, what should I do about my
2 children type of things.

3 HOLLY: Those are the questions that I
4 need. Do those have answers?

5 ROBERT TAYLOR: They all have draft
6 answers. If you, if somebody would be -- I don't
7 remember if you've already told me you like these,
8 but I was going to have Dave take a look at them
9 while he was sitting over here, unless you want me to
10 just send it and you take a look at them.

11 HOLLY: If Dave has time, ask Dave to
12 look at them.

13 DAVE MCINTYRE: Okay.

14 HOLLY: See if somebody from Protective
15 Measures needs to look at it. If there's anybody
16 else who needs to see it --

17 ROBERT TAYLOR: Good idea.

18 HOLLY: -- we need to pull together a
19 how do we respond to public inquiries and, if you
20 could do that and get that to me, I'm going to marry
21 it up with what Undine is doing and we'll be good.

22 ROBERT TAYLOR: Okay.

23 HOLLY: Okay. Thank you.

24 ROBERT TAYLOR: Hold on. Hold on. Dave
25 wants to talk to you. Holly?

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1 HOLLY: Yes. Okay.

2 DAVE MCINTYRE: Hi, I just had another
3 call from the WHO saying that our voice mail, as of
4 Tuesday, says 8200 is not accepting questions.
5 Hello?

6 HOLLY: That's ridiculous. I'll track
7 it down.

8 DAVE MCINTYRE: All right. Thanks.

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3 (Dial tone.)

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5 BRENDA: Public Affairs.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Eliot.

7 BRENDA: Eliot, Brenda.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Two things.

9 BRENDA: Yes.

10 ELIOT BRENNER: David is sending you a
11 press release. It needs to go out immediately.

12 BRENDA: Okay.

13 ELIOT BRENNER: And second, may I speak
14 with Holly?

15 BRENDA: Yes, you may. Hold on.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

17 (Pause.)

18 HOLLY: Hey.

19 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey.

20 HOLLY: We've got a problem. We've got
21 two problems. Let me do the easy one first. (b)(6)

22 (b)(6)

23 ELIOT BRENNER: Thank you, but no.

24 HOLLY: Okay. I will call him back
25 personally and tell him that.

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1 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)

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3 HOLLY: Okay. Fine. I will call him.
4 Okay. We've had both the Washington Post and NHK
5 from Japan asking the PDR, our public document room,
6 for documents on microfiche that have to do with Mark
7 I containment failure.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: We'll get to them in due
9 course.

10 HOLLY: Okay. So --

11 ELIOT BRENNER: If they can produce them
12 -- Mark I containment failures?

13 HOLLY: Correct.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(6)

15 The document room can process that in the normal
16 course of business. We're not going to --

17 HOLLY: Okay. Let me finish. It's a
18 1985 report that's on microfiche --

19 ELIOT BRENNER: That's fine. Let them
20 find it.

21 HOLLY: -- that we have to find for them
22 and give to them. That's how that works. They're
23 legacy documents. They can't get them.

24 ELIOT BRENNER: Right.

25 HOLLY: They're technically public.

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1 ELIOT BRENNER: Right.

2 HOLLY: But they don't have public
3 access to them and what normally happens --

4 ELIOT BRENNER: Right. We will make
5 every effort. We can't guarantee timely delivery.
6 How's that?

7 HOLLY: That's fine. What normally
8 happens is it goes to NRR for review. So, we can do
9 that. (b)(5)

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12 ELIOT BRENNER: What would they be
13 reviewed for, do you know?

14 HOLLY: SUNSI.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: Well, we can't sidestep
16 SUNSI.

17 HOLLY: Right. We can't sidestep that.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: Right.

19 HOLLY: (b)(5)

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22 ELIOT BRENNER: Not necessarily, but
23 this is no different than a plane crash and, in a
24 plane crash, reporters are going to go back into the
25 record and track the history of a particular

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1 aircraft, all of its maintenance, and those records
2 are going to have to be generated and generally
3 generated quickly. Now, airplanes are different.
4 They're more computerized. And so, this is exactly
5 the same thing. If they can find the document, we
6 will make every effort to get it scrubbed quickly,
7 but we can offer no guarantees.

8 HOLLY: Fine. I'm going to call the PDR
9 and I'm going to say handle this as you would
10 normally handle it, explaining to the caller that,
11 you know, that there's a process and it might take a
12 little while.

13 ELIOT BRENNER: Right.

14 HOLLY: And leave it at that.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: That's good.

16 HOLLY: Fine.

17 ELIOT BRENNER: Now, I need to tell you
18 something and I will brief David on it as well. The

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HOLLY: I understand.

ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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HOLLY: I've got you.

ELIOT BRENNER: Okay?

HOLLY: All right. Now, I did notice a press release going around that was draft, draft, draft (b)(5) I'm assuming that is not going anywhere, is that correct?

ELIOT BRENNER: It says something about recommending --

HOLLY: Yes.

ELIOT BRENNER: -- (b)(5)

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HOLLY: Yes.

ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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HOLLY: (b)(5)

ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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HOLLY: Okay.

ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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HOLLY: Right.

ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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HOLLY: (b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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HOLLY: (b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

HOLLY: (b)(5)

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ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

HOLLY: -- if anywhere.

1 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

2 (b)(5) Now, I am beginning to run out of
3 steam. I am going to finish up things here. (b)(5)

4 (b)(5)

5 (b)(5)

6 (b)(5) After that, I'm going home. I am
7 not coming in probably at all tomorrow because I will
8 be with the Chairman.

9 HOLLY: Right. Okay. Yes, I was
10 planning on working 15 hours tomorrow. So, yes.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Well --

12 HOLLY: I mean I'm coming in in the
13 morning, but I don't know. My staffing's weak in the
14 late evening, so --

15 ELIOT BRENNER: Things may slow down. I
16 think I'm going to ask Beth to come home Thursday so
17 that she's available Friday. We really have very
18 limited options for the weekend right now, unless we
19 get some help.

20 HOLLY: Yes. I've got Glenn and Mindy
21 helping out. Mindy's going to fill in for Yvonne all
22 day tomorrow because Yvonne is out tomorrow.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

24 HOLLY: I haven't spoken to Glenn, but I
25 can plug him in as a writer and I've got Amy

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1 Bonaccorso coming over here to help us with phone
2 calls.

3 ELIOT BRENNER: Good.

4 HOLLY: And I've got one other person
5 that somebody found with PR experience, so I might
6 plug her in with Dave or Scott to answer minor, low-
7 level media questions.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: That's good. Most of
9 that's going to be, no, I'm sorry. We are not doing
10 any television.

11 HOLLY: Yes.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Which doesn't rebound
13 well for us, but --

14 HOLLY: I've got a 3:30 SQL call, where

15 (b)(5)

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17 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

18 HOLLY: I've got our state liaisons
19 joining me on that call.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

21 HOLLY: We've got a 4 o'clock call or
22 I'll sit on it with the Ops Center staffing.

23 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

24 HOLLY: (b)(5)

25 (b)(5)

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1 have to do.

2 ELIOT BRENNER: Right.

3 HOLLY: Okay. So, that's all. I kind
4 of was hoping maybe we'd do a conference call with
5 the regions.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: You can do that. I
7 can't do it.

8 HOLLY: Okay.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: If you can pull it off.

10 HOLLY: Okay. All right. We need to do
11 a little care and feeding. I don't know. Do we want
12 to swap, send Neil back and send Diane down for the
13 weekend?

14 ELIOT BRENNER: I think we can get by on
15 the weekends with just us. Let's visit that Thursday
16 morning.

17 HOLLY: Okay. In my past experience, it
18 would be really good if I could give everybody one
19 day off this weekend.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, sure. Why don't
21 you talk to Diane and see if she's available. She
22 doesn't necessarily have to work a night shift. I'm
23 not sure we'll do that this weekend.

24 HOLLY: Right. Right.

25 ELIOT BRENNER: But see if she's

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1 available to come in and spell.

2 HOLLY: Okay.

3 ELIOT BRENNER: David, have you sent
4 that press release to Brenda? Okay. I'd sent (b)(6) a
5 note just saying, you can refer to it in the past
6 tense. Okay.

7 HOLLY: All right.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Why don't you check with
9 Diane and see if she can --

10 HOLLY: I will.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: -- pull a day or so this
12 weekend?

13 HOLLY: Okay.

14 ELIOT BRENNER: Thanks.

15 HOLLY: Thank you.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: Bye.

17 (Tape ends.)

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1 (CONFERENCE CALL INITIATED)

2 File No. 0%CQ%IF_04165094

3 ELIOT BRENNER: Eliot Brenner.

4 LAURA BROWN: Hey, Eliot, it's Laura
5 again.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Hey.

7 LAURA BROWN: Hey, sorry to bother you,
8 but I just talked to our guys who are dealing with
9 this radiation stuff.

10 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes.

11 LAURA BROWN: (b)(5)

12 (b)(5)

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15 ELIOT BRENNER: Sure.

16 LAURA BROWN: -- they thought your guys
17 on the ground were going to be sending something this
18 morning. They're doing a telcon with the airlines at
19 2:00. Apparently, Lufthansa has announced that
20 they're screening flights coming out of Japan for
21 radiation.

22 ELIOT BRENNER: I heard. We got a query
23 and I don't know from whence it sprang. Bear with me
24 just a second. I need to forward an email. I was
25 saving a document and saved it wrong and I was giving

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3 LAURA BROWN: Oh, no.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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8 (b)(5)

Okay. Now, where were we?

9 LAURA BROWN: So, Lufthansa screening
10 people. We're talking to the airlines at 2:00 for an
11 operations telcon, operator telcon, and they're
12 apparently starting to panic, because they've heard
13 that Lufthansa's doing screening. They're wondering
14 if they should be doing screening.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: That's people coming out
16 of Japan --

17 LAURA BROWN: Yes.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: -- or arriving in the
19 U.S.?

20 LAURA BROWN: Yes. Coming out of Japan.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: All right. Let me see
22 if I can find one of my health physicist people. Is
23 that what you need?

24 LAURA BROWN: Well, the thing is, I
25 think they're frustrated on two counts. One is,

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1 apparently nobody's willing to come out and say, to
2 us anyway, here's what's acceptable. Here's not.
3 Here's what the plume is. Here's what's in the
4 plume, therefore --

5 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes. Yes. Yes. We're
6 not --

7 LAURA BROWN: Two plus two equals four.

8 ELIOT BRENNER: Right. Right. And
9 we're literally just fixing to push a release out the
10 door saying we've studied the data and we believe the
11 Japanese evacuation recommendations are sound. But
12 we're not addressing, you know, what's in the plume
13 and where.

14 LAURA BROWN: Right.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: It's really a Japanese
16 plume. It's not an American plume.

17 LAURA BROWN: Right, but you know, I
18 realize that, but if they're US. I don't know if

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23 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, I was going to say,
24 what is it you're looking for from us?

25 LAURA BROWN: Well, my operations

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1 people, who are dealing with the airlines in this,
2 are looking for somebody to tell them what the
3 contamination area is and where the predicted plume
4 is going, based on latest reports from your team on
5 the ground.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes. Now, my team on
7 the ground is two guys.

8 LAURA BROWN: I know. I know.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: I'm looking at two guys.

10 LAURA BROWN: I read the transcript of
11 that thing yesterday.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes. Working out of the
13 Embassy. None of my people -- we've sent nine or ten
14 other people there. None of them are on the ground
15 yet.

16 LAURA BROWN: Oh, really?

17 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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20 LAURA BROWN: Okay.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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23 LAURA BROWN: (b)(5)

24 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

25 LAURA BROWN: Yes.

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1 ELIOT BRENNER: And that's what we're
2 make --

3 LAURA BROWN: (b)(5)

4 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

5 (b)(5)

6 LAURA BROWN: Okay.

7 ELIOT BRENNER: Now, I can put a health
8 physicist on the phone, but I don't know what --

9 LAURA BROWN: I don't think that's going
10 to do any good.

11 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay.

12 LAURA BROWN: I mean --

13 ELIOT BRENNER: I mean I can say avast
14 that we've made no such recommendation.

15 LAURA BROWN: Okay.

16 ELIOT BRENNER: But it's not really my
17 bailiwick.

18 LAURA BROWN: Okay. Well, that's
19 helpful. All right.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: I'd say go to EPA.

21 LAURA BROWN: EPA?

22 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, or (b)(6) Hey,
23 David --

24 LAURA BROWN: What about DOE?

25 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, or DOE. If an

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1 airline wanted some reassurance about whether to
2 screen people or not or where the plume is going,
3 would we send them to DOE? Yes. Tell you what, hang
4 on. Let me find you a phone number and an email.

5 LAURA BROWN: Okay.

6 ELIOT BRENNER: Because DOE owns the
7 labs that are doing the simulations.

8 LAURA BROWN: Okay.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: Let's see here.

10 LAURA BROWN: There was three DOE prep
11 people on one of the email chains last night, but --

12 ELIOT BRENNER: That's not my phone, is
13 it? (b)(5)

14 (b)(5)

15 LAURA BROWN: Oh gee, for what?

16 ELIOT BRENNER: We're doing a hearing
17 tomorrow morning.

18 LAURA BROWN: Oh God, on this?

19 ELIOT BRENNER: And in the afternoon.

20 LAURA BROWN: Oh, my God.

21 ELIOT BRENNER: Yes, with press in
22 between.

23 LAURA BROWN: Oh, no.

24 ELIOT BRENNER: Pray for me.

25 LAURA BROWN: You need to get some

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1 sleep.

2 ELIOT BRENNER: Okay. Yes, I know.
3 Well, I'll talk to you later. Okay.

4 LAURA BROWN: Okay.

5 ELIOT BRENNER: Dan.leistikow@hq.doe.gov. Let me put the phone down
6 for a second.

8 LAURA BROWN: Okay.

9 (Pause.)

10 ELIOT BRENNER: (b)(5)

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22 Okay. I'll have somebody back in my
23 main office check it for typos, but we're good. Go
24 to bed. I agree. Bye bye.

25 David, that press release can go to

1 Brenda with instructions to get it out the door
2 immediately.

3 DAVID MCINTYRE: Oh, okay.

4 ELIOT BRENNER: It's the one labeled
5 Revised Radiation Update. I'm going to close out of
6 it.

7 Okay. His phone number is (b)(6)

8 LAURA BROWN: Okay.

9 ELIOT BRENNER: And let me give you one
10 other name.

11 LAURA BROWN: Okay.

12 ELIOT BRENNER: Stephanie Mueller, M-U-
13 E-L-L-E-R. Same kind of address.

14 LAURA BROWN: Right. Got it. Okay.

15 ELIOT BRENNER: And same phone number.

16 LAURA BROWN: Okay. All right. Thanks
17 a lot.

18 ELIOT BRENNER: Sure.

19 LAURA BROWN: Okay. Bye.

20 ELIOT BRENNER: Bye bye.

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2 File No. 0%QK-F604165094

3 ELIOT BRENNER: Desk, Brenner.

4 HOLLY: Actually, I needed to talk to
5 Dave. I've got somebody who might be able to help
6 him today.

7 ELIOT BRENNER: Dave, can you pick up
8 the line? Does it work that way? I don't think it
9 does. Let me hand the phone over.

10 HOLLY: Okay.

11 DAVID MCINTYRE: Yes, dear.

12 HOLLY: Let me put you on hold for one
13 second.

14 (Pause.)

15 HOLLY: Hey, when Eliot leaves, you're
16 going to have a space there. I'm going to send you a
17 Susan Wittick from OCA.

18 DAVID MCINTYRE: Okay.

19 HOLLY: She has a degree in
20 communications and public relations.

21 DAVID MCINTYRE: Okay.

22 HOLLY: And I don't know what you'll
23 have her do, but you'll have an extra body to answer
24 the phone or run errands or answer the media or --
25 bring her up to snuff, because what we're going to do

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1 is use her maybe to do some minor, low-level media
2 inquiries.

3 DAVID MCINTYRE: Okay.

4 HOLLY: If you feel comfortable with
5 that, once you kind of chat with her.

6 DAVID MCINTYRE: Okay.

7 HOLLY: Is that okay?

8 DAVID MCINTYRE: Sure.

9 HOLLY: So, you'll be kind of doing a
10 little training, so that we can use her for the rest
11 of the week.

12 DAVID MCINTYRE: Okay.

13 HOLLY: Okay. Thanks.

14 DAVID MCINTYRE: All right. Thanks.

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3 SUSAN WITTICK: Ops Center, Public
4 Affairs.

5 BRENDA: Hi, is this Undine?

6 SUSAN WITTICK: No Brenda, it's Susan.

7 BRENDA: Oh hi, Susan. How are you?

8 SUSAN WITTICK: What can I do for you?

9 BRENDA: What are you doing over there,
10 girl?

11 SUSAN WITTICK: I'm not knowing what I'm
12 doing yet, but I'm trying.

13 BRENDA: Okay.

14 SUSAN WITTICK: Who are you looking for?

15 BRENDA: Nobody. I got my answer.

16 SUSAN WITTICK: Oh.

17 BRENDA: They just sent me an email.

18 SUSAN WITTICK: Okay.

19 BRENDA: All right. Thanks.

20 SUSAN WITTICK: All right. Sure. Bye.

21 BRENDA: Bye.

22 (Tape ends.)
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3 SUSAN WITTICK: Ops Center, Public
4 Affairs.

5 WILLIAM RULAND: Yes. Can I speak to
6 Dave McIntyre, please?

7 SUSAN WITTICK: One moment. May I say
8 who's calling?

9 WILLIAM RULAND: Bill Ruland.

10 SUSAN WITTICK: I'm sorry?

11 WILLIAM RULAND: Bill Ruland.

12 SUSAN WITTICK: Thank you. One moment.

13 (Pause.)

14 ROBERT TAYLOR: Hey Bill, it's Rob
15 Taylor. Dave's in the ET Room right now.

16 WILLIAM RULAND: Okay.

17 ROBERT TAYLOR: Can I have him get back
18 to you?

19 WILLIAM RULAND: Well, I was told I was
20 supposed to call somebody from Platts and I needed
21 some background about what he wanted to say to me.

22 ROBERT TAYLOR: Oh, I thought Scott
23 Burnell was coordinating that for you. Have you
24 talked to Scott?

25 WILLIAM RULAND: No. I'll talk to

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1 anybody.

2 ROBERT TAYLOR: Try calling Scott at
3 8204. I think he's 8204. My understanding was he
4 was coordinating that for you.

5 WILLIAM RULAND: 415-8204?

6 ROBERT TAYLOR: Yes, sir.

7 WILLIAM RULAND: Thank you.

8 ROBERT TAYLOR: Bye.

9 WILLIAM RULAND: Bye.

10 (Tape ends.)

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5 number now. Welcome. Please enter your pin
6 followed by the pound sign. Your out-of-office
7 greeting is currently on. Press one to leave it on.
8 Press two to turn it off. You have three new
9 messages. Press one one to listen to new -- the
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14 message. Press 5 to hear information about the
15 message. Press 7 to delete the message -- message
16 deleted.

17 (b)(6) Hi, my name is (b)(6)

18 (b)(6) I'm an independent reporter with a

19 (b)(6) If you

20 can, please give me a call at (b)(6) And I

21 was hoping to get a comment from Mr. McIntyre.

22 Thank you. Have a good day, bye.

23 AUTOMATED MESSAGE: End of message.

24 Message deleted.

25 (b)(6): Hi. My name is (b)(6).

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1 (b)(5) and I'm
2 doing a project on nuclear energy and I was
3 wondering if you know if any of the power plants in
4 Ohio, nuclear power plants in Ohio, Perry or the
5 Davis-Besse, allow a tour. I can ask questions
6 about it for my research project. So, just call me
7 back at (b)(6). Thanks. Bye.

8 AUTOMATED MESSAGE: End of message.

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10 the message -- message deleted. No more unheard -

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HOLLY HARRINGTON: Public Affairs, Holly
Harrington.

(b)(6): Yes. My name is (b)(6)

(b)(6) and I had a
question about traveling to Japan at this time.

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HOLLY HARRINGTON: I'll interrupt. As
far as we aware --

(b)(6): Yes.

HOLLY HARRINGTON: -- the State
Department has not issued any travel advisories.

(b)(6): Okay. No travel
advisories.

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1 HOLLY HARRINGTON: To my knowledge.

2 (b)(6): Okay.

3 HOLLY HARRINGTON: So, I mean, if you
4 want to verify that, I would do one of two things.
5 I would either contact the airline itself --

6 (b)(6): Right.

7 HOLLY HARRINGTON: -- or I would contact
8 the State Department.

9 (b)(6): Okay. (b)(6)

10 (b)(6) and we've
11 done just a little bit of research on like
12 microsieverts and so forth and we know what they are
13 in Tokyo and it seems very, very minimal, you know,
14 your exposure right now, but who knows what could
15 transpire over there. So, okay. So, as far as
16 radiation levels, I mean, you can't comment on that?

17 HOLLY HARRINGTON: We're the Nuclear
18 Regulatory Commission.

19 (b)(6): Okay. Okay.

20 HOLLY HARRINGTON: We're responsible for
21 the nuclear power plants in this country.

22 (b)(6): Right.

23 HOLLY HARRINGTON: We are working with
24 other federal agencies to assess and monitor what's
25 happening, but we would not be the ones issuing any

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1 sort of travel advisories --

2 (b)(6): Okay. Okay.

3 HOLLY HARRINGTON: -- based on
4 radiation. So --

5 (b)(6): Okay.

6 HOLLY HARRINGTON: I don't know what
7 else to tell you.

8 (b)(6): Okay. Yes. Okay.

9 Well, thank you anyway.

10 HOLLY HARRINGTON: You're welcome.

11 (b)(6): Bye bye.

12 HOLLY HARRINGTON: Bye bye.

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(CONFERENCE CALL INITIATED)

MS. WITTICK (phonetic): Operations
Center, Public Affairs.

MR. DUDEK: Hi. This is Michael Dudek
and Joe Anderson and Rebecca, down here at USAID.
To whom am I speaking?

MS. WITTICK: My name is Susan Wittick
and I'm assisting today.

MR. DUDEK: Hi, Susan. Is Scott or
Holly there?

MS. WITTICK: Can I -- neither of them
are here. Oh, wait a minute. Scott is coming back
as we speak.

MR. DUDEK: Fantastic.

MS. WITTICK: Okay. Just a moment.

(PAUSE)

MR. BURNELL: Good morning, Scott
Burnell.

MR. DUDEK: Hi, Scott. It's Michael
Dudek and Joe Anderson and Rebecca down here at
USAID.

MR. BURNELL: Hey Mike.

MR. DUDEK: Hey. Rebecca, could you
repeat what you just told me?

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REBECCA: Yeah. Hey, Scott. I just

(b)(5)

MR. BURNELL: Yes?

REBECCA: But, long story short, they're

(b)(5)

(b)(5) --

MR. BURNELL: We -- we are aware. We are fully aware.

REBECCA : Oh, you knew?

MR. BURNELL: Yes.

REBECCA: (b)(5)

(b)(5)

MR. BURNELL: Oh, believe me, their

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1 statement references us, so we know.

2 REBECCA: That's what I'm talking about
3 , brother.

4 MR. DUDEK: Scott, do you know who's
5 going to be tied into that 2:00 Congressional
6 briefing?

7 MR. BURNELL: I do not know.

8 MR. DUDEK: We need the names.

9 MR. BURNELL: I do not know. Mike, I --
10 I am not in a position to answer the question right
11 now.

12 MR. DUDEK: I understand that.

13 MR. BURNELL: Okay.

14 MR. DUDEK: Thank you.

15 MR. BURNELL: Thanks. Bye.
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MR. BURNELL: Operations Center, Public
Affairs.

BRENDA: Hey Scott, it's Brenda.

MR. BURNELL: Yes.

BRENDA: Need a little bit of
confirmation on this press release. I can go ahead
and publish it now.

MR. BURNELL: I'm not quite there yet.

BRENDA: Okay. It's -- okay. It is all
ready to go.

MR. BURNELL: Yes.

BRENDA: All you have to do is let me
know when.

MR. BURNELL: Yes.

BRENDA: And I do have one more
questions for you.

MR. BURNELL: Yes?

BRENDA: In sending it, I am waiting the
traditional 15 minutes for this, since all of these
events have been happening.

MR. BURNELL: I haven't yet gotten
guidance from Elliot (phonetic) on that.

BRENDA: Okay.

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MR. BURNELL: I will e-mail him.

BRENDA: Okay.

MR. BURNELL: (b)(5)

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BRENDA: Okay. Thanks Scott.

MR. BURNELL: All right.

BRENDA: Bye.

MR. BURNELL: Bye.

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MR. MCINTYRE: This is Dave McIntyre in
the NRC Office of Public Affairs.

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FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Hello. Is this
Mike?

MR. DUDEK: Yes. This is Michael.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Do you know what?
I'm on another line. Can I call you right back?

MR. DUDEK: Yes, you can.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Is it 5100? Is
that the right --

MR. DUDEK: It looks like 5107.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: 5107?

MR. DUDEK: Yes.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Okay. I'll do that
then. Thanks.

MR. DUDEK: Okay. Byes.

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Bye Bye.

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MR. FARMER: Hi. This is Bob Farmer,
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MS. CARR: Hi. This is Alice Carr
(phonetic) with FEMA Public Affairs. I am not
available --

MR. DUDEK: Hey, Alice, it's Michael.
I'm calling -- and we're with the NRC. But I just
thought I'd catch you at your desk and talk to you
about this strategic plan and the PUP1 (phonetic)
roll out.

It is -- it's not critical that we talk
today. So, if we don't touch base today, we'll talk
tomorrow. And so that's it. I will -- I'll try you
later on. Okay. Bye.

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MS. QUINN: Hi. This is Tracy Quinn
(phonetic), in the Office of National Security
Coordination. I am not available to answer your
call at this time.

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CAROL: (Inaudible)

MR. WIDOMSKI: Hey Carol, it's Michael
again.

CAROL: Hi.

MR. WIDOMSKI: Do you have the main
number for the Security Office. I'm not getting an
answer from Jeff and I think that somebody else down
there can tell me if he's gone for the day or
something.

CAROL: Okay. I'm checking. I certainly
will try to get it. Hold on.

MR. WIDOMSKI: Okay.

(LONG PAUSE)

CAROL: Okay.

MR. WIDOMSKI: Okay.

CAROL: What have we got here? (b)(6) --

MR. WIDOMSKI: Yes?

CAROL: (b)(6)

MR. WIDOMSKI: (b)(6)

CAROL: Yes.

MR. WIDOMSKI: Okay. Let me try -- I
sent him an e-mail. So let me just -- let me try
this number and see if I can get somebody down

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1 there.

2 CAROL: Okay.

3 MR. WIDOMSKI: Okay. Thanks.

4 CAROL: All right.

5 MR. WIDOMSKI: All right. Bye bye.

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MS. AMES: You have reached Harriett Ames (phonetic). I am not available to take your call at the present. But please leave your name, number, along with a detailed message. And I will return your call shortly. Thank you and have a great day.

MR. WIDOMSKI: Hi Harriet. This is Michael Widomski calling, Deputy Director of Public Affairs. Was transferred to you. Not sure of you're the right person or if you can help me out. I'm looking for the Security Office. Been sent over to NMSS and all the Nuclear Regulatory Commission help out on some press stuff that they're doing. And we're trying to get our badge -- my badge synched up with theirs. And so they need to talk -- their security officer needs to talk to somebody in FEMA's security office. If you can give me a buzz on my cell, (b)(6) Let me know who that would be. I would appreciate it. Again, (b)(6) -- no, I'm sorry, (b)(6) It's Michael Widomski. Thanks. Bye.

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ALICE: Public Affairs, This is Alice.

MR. WIDOMSKI: Hey Alice, this is Michael.

ALICE: Hey Michael.

MR. WIDOMSKI: Yes. I just wanted to touch base with you, real quick. Because I'm not -- I'm probably not going to be there the rest of the week and through the weekend. I'll be over at -- over at the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ALICE: Okay.

MR. WIDOMSKI: Outside of Scope

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MS. WHITTAKER: Susan Whittaker

(phonetic) speaking.

MR. WIDOMSKI: Hey Susan, it's Michael.

MS. WHITTAKER: Yes.

MR. WIDOMSKI: So I've left a couple of messages and -- and an e-mail. But I -- I haven't heard from the person over at our security office, now that I've got the right person.

MS. WHITTAKER: Okay.

MR. WIDOMSKI: I -- I can give you a name. If they want to reach out directly to them. But I get a feeling, you know, it's going to be -- it's late in the day and so that I'm not sure if I'm going to get an answer for them. So do you want me to just wait until I hear back from them, knowing that we may just go through the evening without having -- getting that taken care of? Which I am fine with. We just need to make sure people, you know, get signed in or whatever.

MS. WHITTAKER: Well, you know what? If you have the information, then I would say why don't I go ahead and pass along to the person --

MR. WIDOMSKI: Okay.

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1 MS. WHITTIKER: -- who's here and that
2 way, at least you and I are done.

3 MR. WIDOMSKI: Okay.

4 MS. WHITTIKER: And they can maybe
5 coordinate. And, who knows, maybe first thing
6 tomorrow morning, it will happen.

7 MR. WIDOMSKI: Okay.

8 MS. WHITTIKER: Before either of us even
9 come to work.

10 MR. WIDOMSKI: Great. Well the person I
11 have, his name is Jeffrey Bates. And so -- and I
12 believe the e-mail will be jeffery.bates@dsh.gov.

13 MS. WHITTIKER: DHS.GOV? Okay.

14 MR. WIDOMSKI: And the telephone number
15 is (202) --

16 MS. WHITTIKER: Okay.

17 MR. WIDOMSKI: 646 -

18 MS. WHITTIKER: Okay.

19 MR. WIDOMSKI: 3788.

20 MS. WHITTIKER: 3788? Okay.

21 MR. WIDOMSKI: Yes.

22 MS. WHITTIKER: And, as best you know,
23 he is not at his desk or responsive at this point?

24 MR. WIDOMSKI: Yes.

25 MS. WHITTIKER: But, I can go ahead and

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1 at least pass it along.

2 MR. WIDOMSKI: Yes. Like I said, I send
3 an e-mail and I -- I called and then send an e-mail.

4 So -- but I have not heard from him. And I had
5 another name, as well. But I'm not sure if that's
6 the right person. But I thought we'll start with
7 Jeff Bates. And he should be able to -- if he's not
8 the person, he's in the security office and he would
9 be able to put them in the right -- in touch with
10 the right person.

11 MS. WHITTAKER: Okay.

12 MR. WIDOMSKI: Okay?

13 MS. WHITTAKER: And, Michael, can you
14 spell your last name for me?

15 MR. WIDOMSKI: Sure, Widomski,
16 W-I-D-O-M-S-K-I.

17 MS. WHITTAKER: K-I? Wow. I was wrong
18 on three letters.

19 MR. WIDOMSKI: Oh, gosh. And then the
20 other person is Nancy Stills, S-T-I-L-L-S.

21 MS. WHITTAKER: Okay.

22 MR. WIDOMSKI: That's the other FEMA
23 person. Have you heard from her?

24 MS. WHITTAKER: I haven't.

25 MR. WIDOMSKI: Okay. All right. Well,

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1 that's weird. Okay.

2 MS. WHITTAKER: But, I mean, I am all
3 the way over here. So --

4 MR. WIDOMSKI: Maybe I'll -- oh, okay.
5 All right.

6 MS. WHITTAKER: You know, I'm in
7 Building One, so --

8 MR. WIDOMSKI: Okay. I don't know if
9 Paul had heard from -- oh, there's my phone now.
10 Someone is calling me.

11 MS. WHITTAKER: That might be here.

12 MR. WIDOMSKI: All right. Okay. Thank
13 you.

14 MS. WHITTAKER: Thank you.

15 MR. WIDOMSKI: All right. Bye bye.

16 MS. WHITTAKER: Bye bye.
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MR. WIDOMSKI: Hello, this is Michael
Widomski.

MALE PARTICIPANT: Is this our public
affairs?

MR. WIDOMSKI: Yes, it is.

MALE PARTICIPANT: All right. I've got
a (b)(6) reporter on the line.

MR. WIDOMSKI: Okay.

MALE PARTICIPANT: All right. Stand by.

MR. WIDOMSKI: Okay. Hello?

(b)(6): Hi there. It's (b)(6) at
(b)(6)

MR. WIDOMSKI: Hi, (b)(6), this is
Michael Widomski. How are you?

(b)(6): Hi Michael. Good. How are
you?

MR. WIDOMSKI: I'm fine, thank you.

(b)(6): Just checking in to see if
the Chairman is doing any morning show rotation
mentoring tomorrow morning.

MR. WIDOMSKI: Let me call for that.
Can you hold on one second?

(b)(6): Of course.

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1 MR. WIDOMSKI: Sure. Hold on. Thanks.

2 (PAUSE)

3 MR. WIDOMSKI: Is he doing any morning
4 shows tomorrow? The Chairman?

5 MALE PARTICIPANT: I'm not certain.

6 MR. WIDOMSKI: Well make certain.

7 MALE PARTICIPANT: I haven't heard back
8 from Elliot yet, what's going on out there.

9 MR. WIDOMSKI: (b)(6) I don't have
10 any visibility on it right now. Can I get your
11 number and give you a buzz back, once I find out?

12 (b)(6): Sure. (b)(6) --

13 MR. WIDOMSKI: Un huh.

14 (b)(6): (b)(6) -

15 MR. WIDOMSKI: (b)(6)

16 (b)(6): (b)(6)

17 MR. WIDOMSKI: (b)(6) And it's (b)(6)

18 -- what's the last name?

19 (b)(6): Mayo like (b)(6)

20 MR. WIDOMSKI: (b)(6) like (b)(6)

21 Okay.

22 (b)(6): Uh Hum.

23 MR. WIDOMSKI: And you're with (b)(6)

24 (b)(6)

25 (b)(6): Correct.

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1 MR. WIDOMSKI: And when are you looking
2 to -- when do you need an answer by?

3 (b)(6): Tomorrow morning -- tomorrow
4 morning in the 7:00 hour. I think he just did book,
5 sir.

6 MR. WIDOMSKI: Okay. All right. Let me
7 see -- let me see what I can find out and -- and
8 will give you a buzz back.

9 (b)(6): What's the number to get back
10 to me?

11 MR. WIDOMSKI: (b)(6)

12 (b)(6): Correct.

13 MR. WIDOMSKI: The best number here is
14 (301) --

15 (b)(6): Uh hum.

16 MR. WIDOMSKI: 816-5107.

17 (b)(6): And is that staffed all the
18 time?

19 MR. WIDOMSKI: Yes.

20 (b)(6): Okay.

21 MR. WIDOMSKI: There will be somebody
22 here all the time.

23 (b)(6): Okay. What was your last
24 name?

25 MR. WIDOMSKI: It's Widomski,

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1 W-I-D-O-M-S-K-I.

2 (b)(6): And are you with Public
3 Relations or --

4 MR. WIDOMSKI: Public Affairs. The best
5 guy and another good contact, I'd say, would be to
6 ask for David McIntyre.

7 (b)(6): David McIntyre?

8 MR. WIDOMSKI: Yep.

9 (b)(6): McIntyre? And that number,
10 the 301 number, I can call?

11 MR. WIDOMSKI: Yes. Same number.

12 (b)(6): Fabulous! Michael, thanks
13 for your help.

14 MR. WIDOMSKI: All right. Sure.

15 (b)(6): Thanks. Bye bye.

16 MR. WIDOMSKI: Bye.
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FEMALE PARTICIPANT: Good morning, or
good afternoon.

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3 MALE PARTICIPANT: Thank you for calling
4 FEMA's Office of External Affairs. Please listen
5 carefully to the following.

6 (RINGING)

7 KIARA: External Affairs.

8 MR. WIDOMSKI: Hey. This is Michael.
9 Is Brenda around? Is this Kiara (phonetic)?

10 KIARA: Yes. (b)(6)

11 (b)(6)

12 MR. WIDOMSKI: Well, Kiara, okay. Let
13 me ask you a question. I'm over at the NRC -- at
14 the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. Do you happen to
15 know who our security officer is at FEMA? Because
16 they're trying to get my badge matched up with
17 theirs over here. And so their security office
18 needs to talk to our security office.

19 KIARA: Oh, okay. Yes. I can --

20 MR. WIDOMSKI: I just need the name and
21 I just need their name and contact information so I
22 can pass that along.

23 KIARA: Okay. You all sure can contact
24 Jeff Bates.

25 MR. WIDOMSKI: What's his name?

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1 KIARA: Jeff Bates.

2 MR. WIDOMSKI: Jeff Bates? B-A-T-E?

3 KIARA: Uh hum.

4 MR. WIDOMSKI: B-A-T-E-S?

5 KIARA: Yea, Jeffrey.

6 MR. WIDOMSKI: Okay. What's his number?

7 KIARA: 3788.

8 MR. WIDOMSKI: 646?

9 KIARA: That's the security office, yes.

10 MR. WIDOMSKI: 3788?

11 KIARA: Mm, hum.

12 MR. WIDOMSKI: Okay. Let me -- all
13 right. I'll give them a buzz and ask them. So,
14 okay. Great. Thank you.

15 KIARA: Okay.

16 MR. WIDOMSKI: Bye bye.

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MR. BATES: Hello. You've reached Jeff
Bates at the Office of the Chief Security Officer.
I'm sorry. I am unable to answer --

FEMALE PARTICIPANT: A valid attendance
number has not been specified.

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3 MS. WITTICK: NRC, Susan Wittick
4 speaking.

5 MR. WIDOMSKI: Hey Susan, it's Michael
6 Widomski.

7 MS. WITTICK: Yes. Hi.

8 MR. WIDOMSKI: Hey, I have -- they
9 brought two laptops, so I have a laptop over here
10 for -- for Nancy.

11 MS. WITTICK: Okay.

12 MR. WIDOMSKI: I'm not sure where she's
13 -- what -- what -- what Holly has her doing now.
14 Should I call Holly directly? I'm not sure where
15 you're aware that sits.

16 MS. WITTICK: You know, she -- I'm -- I
17 think she may have gone home.

18 MR. WIDOMSKI: Oh, okay. Holly or
19 Nancy?

20 MS. WITTICK: Nancy.

21 MR. WIDOMSKI: Oh, okay. Okay.

22 MS. WITTICK: So do you want me to
23 double check that?

24 MR. WIDOMSKI: It doesn't matter. I --
25 just -- I -- it's -- it's sitting here. But I just

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1 thought if she needed it, you know, that -- that
2 it's here. But I just wanted to let Holly or you
3 guys know, upstairs that -- that it's here.

4 MS. WITTICK: You're here -- it's there,
5 and you're all set?

6 MR. WIDOMSKI: Yes. Yes. So -- so
7 that's the deal. Just passing on the info.

8 MS. WITTICK: Okay.

9 MR. WIDOMSKI: Okay. Thanks.

10 MS. WITTICK: I will pass it on.
11 Thanks.

12 MR. WIDOMSKI: All right. Bye bye.

13 MS. WITTICK: Bye bye.
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MR. WIDOMSKI: Public Affairs. This is Michael.

MALE PARTICIPANT: I've got another gentleman from another media outlet.

MR. WIDOMSKI: Another media outlet? Okay.

MALE PARTICIPANT: Stay on the line.

MR. WIDOMSKI: Public Affairs, this is Michael.

(b)(6): Hey Michael. This is (b)(6) with (b)(6). How are you?

MR. WIDOMSKI: Hi (b)(6) (b)(6)

(b)(6): Yep.

MR. WIDOMSKI: Un huh?

(b)(6): A quick question for you.

MR. WIDOMSKI: Okay.

(b)(6): Go ahead.

MR. WIDOMSKI: What's your last name again?

(b)(6) (b)(6)

MR. WIDOMSKI: (b)(6) Okay.

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1 (b)(6): Yes. I have a question for
2 you. I'm doing a story about Indian Point and
3 MSNBC.com, their investigative reporter, Bill
4 Dedman, has a story out claiming that Indian Point
5 is the reactor that is their Number three reactor.
6 It's the reactor with the highest grid grading in
7 the country. And they're citing some NRC -- and
8 they're citing the NRC, basically.

9 MR. WIDOMSKI: Un huh.

10 (b)(6): Actually, we're just trying
11 to make sure this report is true. Because Entergy,
12 the people who run Indian Point, are saying that
13 it's -- it's not true.

14 MR. WIDOMSKI: Yes. Actually, hold on.

15 Let me see if somebody can answer that. I -- I
16 recall seeing something like that a little while
17 ago. But hold on. Let me get some clarification.
18 Hold on.

19 (b)(6) Okay.

20 (PAUSE)

21 MR. WIDOMSKI: It's the guy from (b)(6)
22 (b)(6) calling me about Indian Point, saying that
23 there's a -- and I saw -- I think I saw this on your
24 website earlier, or I saw -- I saw a report
25 somewhere, saying that at Indian Point, the reactor

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1 is very -- is listed as the highest --

2 (b)(6) : So that's MSNBC?

3 MR. WIDOMSKI: Yes. Okay. They're --
4 he's -- he's talking about the MSNBC report. I
5 think he's looking for confirmation on that.

6 MR. TAYLOR: No. It's not -- no. It's
7 not a confirmation. I -- I can talk to him if you
8 wish.

9 MR. WIDOMSKI: Okay.

10 MR. TAYLOR: No. Don't -- don't --
11 don't release it yet.

12 (PAUSE)

13 MR. TAYLOR: Do you want me to take --
14 I'm trying to leave the ones that are bigger like
15 behind an AP. Do you want them? Or do you -- are
16 you comfortable with me calling him back?

17 MR. WIDOMSKI: I mean, you can call him
18 back. I mean, what -- but you should be going home,
19 Rob.

20 MR. TAYLOR: I wonder if they switched
21 the phone over to --

22 MR. WIDOMSKI: And it's referring them
23 to the HOO, to the operations center. And we
24 shouldn't -- we shouldn't have done that. Holly
25 must have left.

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1 MR. TAYLOR: (b)(6)

2 (b)(6)

3 MR. WIDOMSKI: Oh, shoot. It's not that
4 one. It's later.

5 MR. TAYLOR: Hi (indiscernible, possibly
6 Nels). My name is Rob Taylor with the --

7 MR. WIDOMSKI: Scott, why can't you ---

8 MR. TAYLOR: I'm returning your call, I
9 believe. He did? Wonderful.

10 MR. WIDOMSKI: Seismic, for the record.
11 Here it is.

12 MR. TAYLOR: Yes. I'll take care of
13 that.

14 MR. MCINTYRE: Oh, shoot. I don't know
15 what language your forwarded, because I don't have
16 it here, you -- I saw it.

17 (PAUSE)

18 MR. MCINTYRE: Oh, (b)(6) I'll have to
19 wing it.

20 MR. TAYLOR: I ain't winging anything.
21 I might even have to --

22 MR. MCINTYRE: Go ahead. Let's not
23 keep him waiting.

24 MR. TAYLOR: How are you with that?

25 MR. MCINTYRE: Go ahead.

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1 MR. TAYLOR: Not too bad. I understand
2 that you called?

3 MR. MCINTYRE: This is Dave McIntyre.
4 May I help you?

5 MR. (b)(6): Hi Dave. This is (b)(6)
6 (b)(6). How are you?

7 MR. MCINTYRE: I'm okay. What can I do
8 for you, (b)(6)?

9 (b)(6): I'm just calling. There
10 was a story that MSNBC.com posted today about
11 nuclear reactors and which ones are most at risk in
12 the United States. And they're claiming that Indian
13 Point Energy Center, they said Reactor number three,
14 is. And I just wanted to make sure that is correct
15 information. Because they're -- they're citing NRC
16 risk estimates that were provided to them.

17 MR. MCINTYRE: Yes. That's not -- we --
18 we don't rank plants like that. The information
19 that he's drawing his conclusions from, which we
20 would not agree with, was not meant to be -- to be
21 rankings. We evaluate each site independently,
22 according to its own characteristic and its own --
23 it's own -- the seismic activity in the area. I'm
24 sorry. I'm really kind of fried today. And it's --
25 it's just he's leaping to conclusions and over-

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1 simplifying. So we would not consider that list
2 valid.

3 (b)(6): You would say it's not
4 valid? So you'd say the reporter is wrong?

5 MR. MCINTYRE: Yes.

6 (b)(6): The ranking and the
7 reporter is wrong? Okay. Entergy was telling us
8 about four reports that were done for the NRC and
9 that, in one of those four reports, there plant did
10 come up at the top of one of these lists. Is that
11 something that you're familiar with?

12 MR. MCINTYRE: I'm afraid not.

13 (b)(6): Okay. That's something
14 that Entergy just told me in a live interview.
15 Okay. Do you know where -- how he's kind of put two
16 and two together here to get these estimates that
17 you guys say are not valid?

18 MR. MCINTYRE: I don't. I know that one
19 of my colleagues, who's not in the office any more
20 today, was working with that reporter and provided
21 him some information. Because we have been looking
22 at recently developed seismic data for the central
23 and eastern United States.

24 (b)(6) Yes.

25 MR. MCINTYRE: And how it might apply to

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1 all the various plants.

2 (b)(6): Yes.

3 MR. MCINTYRE: We did not, in any way,
4 imply that there was a -- a rank order to be derived
5 from that information.

6 (b)(6): Un huh.

7 MR. MCINTYRE: And it's -- that's just
8 not what we do. We look, you know, at the
9 individual sites and their virtues. And we are
10 confident that the plants are safe.

11 (b)(6): Yes. No. I get that part.

12 Is it true that, you know, the Indian Point is at a
13 one in 10,000 risk each year? Is -- is that
14 something the NRC provided to the reporter?

15 MR. MCINTYRE: Yes. I -- I -- I don't
16 know where that figure comes from. It could have
17 come from one of our reports. But I'm really not in
18 a position to comment on it.

19 (b)(6): So you're not sure if it's
20 right or wrong?

21 MR. MCINTYRE: Correct.

22 (b)(6): Okay. All right. Thank
23 you. I appreciate it.

24 MR. MCINTYRE: You're welcome.

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MS. WITTICK: Susan Wittick speaking.

MR. WIDOMSKI: Susan, it's Michael
Widomski.

MS. WITTICK: Hi, Michael. I think
Nancy's here. I was just about to go over.

MR. WIDOMSKI: Oh, okay. Well I have --
I have the name and number of the proper security
person.

MS. WITTICK: Oh. Okay. Great.

MR. WIDOMSKI: And somebody was going to
go over and ping him and say to expect a call.

MS. WITTICK: Oh. Great. Okay.

MR. WIDOMSKI: The name is J-Son, which
is J- --

MS. WITTICK: Okay.

MR. WIDOMSKI: S-O-N, as in son, like
Son of Sam.

MS. WITTICK: I've got it. I got it.
Okay.

MR. WITMSKI: Tyson, T-Y-S-O-N, at 202
646-1898.

MS. WITTICK: 1898?

MR. WIDOMSKI: Yes.

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1 MS. WITTICK: Okay.

2 MR. WIDOMSKI: And then just let him
3 know that it's Michael Widomski and Nancy Stills and
4 however they need to do that. So --

5 MS. WITTICK: Okay.

6 MR. WIDOMSKI: Okay. Great. Thank you.

7 MS. WITTICK: That sounds great. You're
8 welcome.

9 MR. WIDOMSKI: All right. Bye bye.

10 MS. WITTICK: Bye bye.

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3 MALE PARTICIPANT: Office of Center of
4 Public Affairs.

5 MALE PARTICIPANT: Transferring Voice of
6 America representative.

7 MALE PARTICIPANT: Understood. Hello.

8 MR. CRUISE: Hi. It's Christopher
9 Cruise of the Voice of America.

10 MALE PARTICIPANT: Hi, Christopher.

11 MR. CRUISE: Hey, could I get the
12 pronouncer on your Chairman's last name?

13 MALE PARTICIPANT: Jaczko? How do we --
14 how do we -- I'm asking one of our other guys. How
15 do we write out Yatsko in a pronunciation?

16 MALE PARTICIPANT: Yatsko? He's got to
17 go down to do the news case. But we'll go with
18 that, Yatsko?

19 MALE PARTICIPANT: It's Yatsko. Yes.
20 You're going to do it verbally, so it's just that.

21 MALE PARTICIPANT: Yes.

22 MALE PARTICIPANT: Okay. Yes. Yatsko.

23 MALE PARTICIPANT: Hey, thanks for your
24 help.

25 MALE PARTICIPANT: No problem.

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MALE PARTICIPANT: Okay. Bye bye.

MALE PARTICIPANT: Bye.

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(b)(6): Good day. It's (b)(6).

MR. SHEEHAN: Hey (b)(6), it's Neil Sheehan at the NRC.

(b)(6): Hey, how are you?

MR. SHEEHAN: Pretty good. How are you?

(b)(6): I'm great, thank you. Thanks for getting back to me.

MR. SHEEHAN: Sure. Yes. I may have a request in for Chairman Jaczko to be on (b)(6) (b)(6) tomorrow. It looks like he's not going to be able to -- to do that, unfortunately. He's got some other -- other things going on, right now, as I'm sure you know.

(b)(6): Sure.

MR. SHEEHAN: If that changes, we'll let you know. But, at this point, we would have to politely decline.

(b)(6): Okay. Fine. Well, thanks for getting back to me. Is he doing any other TV tomorrow morning?

MR. SHEEHAN: Sure. No. No, he's not.

(b)(6): Okay. He's just doing the White House briefing?

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1 MR. SHEEHAN: That's it, at the moment.

2 So if --

3 (b)(6): What time is that?

4 MR. SHEEHAN: Hold on one second. Does
5 anyone know when the White House briefing is? No.
6 I'm sorry. I'm not sure at the moment. If I -- If
7 I get a time on that, I'll let you know. But --

8 (b)(6): Okay. Don't worry about it.
9 Thanks for calling me back.

10 MR. SHEEHAN: Sure. No problem. Take
11 care.

12 (b)(6): Bye.

13 MR. SHEEHAN: Bye.

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3 MR. MCINTYRE: Public Affairs, McIntyre.

4 MALE PARTICIPANT: Transferring the
5 MSNBC representative to you.

6 MR. MCINTYRE: MSNBC is calling. Hello.
7 This is Dave McIntyre. May I help you?

8 MALE PARTICIPANT: Yes. Stand by. I'll
9 connect. Are you there?

10 MR. MCINTYRE: Yes.

11 MALE PARTICIPANT: So did you transfer
12 the call again? Hold on for a minute. Let me call
13 her back and I'll have to transfer again. Are you
14 at 5901?

15 MR. MCINTYRE: No. Why don't you try
16 5107? That will actually ring on all three phones
17 here.

18 MALE PARTICIPANT: Okay. 5107?

19 MR. MCINTYRE: Yes.

20 MALE PARTICIPANT: Why don't you go
21 ahead and -- oh, I think they hung up.

22 MR. MCINTYRE: Oh, good.

23 MALE PARTICIPANT: It's -- I'm sure
24 they'll call back.

25 MR. MCINTYRE: If they do, 5107. Okay.

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Thanks. Bye.

MALE PARTICIPANT: Good enough. Bye.

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3 MR. SHEEHAN: NRC Public Affairs.

4 MR. MCINTYRE: Hi Neil, it's Dave.

5 MR. SHEEHAN: Hey Dave.

6 MR. MCINTYRE: (indiscernible, possibly
7 Dalia's) phone wasn't in his car.

8 MR. SHEEHAN: Oh, geez.

9 MR. MCINTYRE: And I don't know where he
10 is. He said he'd meet me out here. Unless I came
11 walking up the stair where I'd said I'd go and I'm
12 where he said to go. I'll tell you what. I'm
13 wondering if it might have been his Blackberry. He
14 said his cell phone.

15 MR. SHEEHAN: Well, one and the same,
16 right. I think he's --

17 MR. MCINTYRE: Well, that's what I'm
18 wondering. Oh, there he is. I see him now.

19 MR. SHEEHAN: See him?

20 MR. MCINTYRE: Yes. I'll tell you what.
21 I'm going to turn -- I'm going to hang up and call
22 his Blackberry.

23 MR. SHEEHAN: Okay. Good idea.

24 MR. MCINTYRE: And -- and we'll see if
25 it rings. I should have thought of that when I was

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1 up there, damn it.

2 MR. SHEEHAN: Well, it's been a long
3 day.

4 MR. MCINTYRE: Yes.

5 MR. SHEEHAN: Yes. All right. Bye.

6 MR. MCINTYRE: Okay. Hold on.

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3 MR. SHEEHAN: Public Affairs.

4 MR. MCINTYRE: Hi. Elliot has it on
5 vibrate. So unless you heard a cricket chirping or
6 something.

7 MR. SHEEHAN: No. I have not -- it's
8 too noisy to hear anything in here anyway. So no.

9 MR. MCINTYRE:: Yes. I would think so.

10 MR. SHEEHAN: Yes.

11 MR. MCINTYRE:: So -- okay, so we're on
12 -- both on our way up to look for it now.

13 MR. SHEEHAN: All right. Bye.
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(CONFERENCE CALL INITIATED)

MR. SHEEHAN: NRC Public Affairs.

MS. MAYO: Hey there. Is Michael Widomski or David McIntyre there?

MR. SHEEHAN: No. Neither are here at the moment.

(b)(6): Oh. Maybe you can help me.

I called them earlier. I'm with (b)(6)

(b)(6) Wanted to see if the Chairman was doing morning show rounds tomorrow morning. And if there was a spot available for us.

MR. SHEEHAN: I will ask. I don't know the answer to that. Give me your name and number again? I'm sorry.

(b)(6): (b)(6)

MR. SHEEHAN: (b)(6) what?

(b)(6): (b)(6)

MR. SHEEHAN: Okay. Thanks. And what is -- and you're with (b)(6). What's your number there, (b)(6)?

(b)(6): (b)(6). I don't mind holding.

MR. SHEEHAN: Well, I wouldn't hold at this point. Because it's probably better if I give

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1 you a call back.

2 (b)(6): Okay. And if --

3 MR. SHEEHAN: But I'll check it -- I
4 will -- this is Neil Sheehan. I'm another public
5 affairs officer here.

6 (b)(6): Yes. Got it.

7 MR. SHEEHAN: All right?

8 (b)(6): So you'll give me a ring?

9 MR. SHEEHAN: Yes, will do.

10 (b)(6): Okay. Thank you.

11 MR. SHEEHAN: Okay. Bye.

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MR. SHEEHAN: Public Affairs.

ROB: Neil?

MR. SHEEHAN: Yes.

ROB: Hey, it's Rob.

MR. SHEEHAN: Hi Rob.

ROB: Hey, I -- Sally Hardy, right, when we were thinking of issuing a press release for the difference of opinion on the (indiscernible, possible Uni-Force Mat Seal Pool) --

MR. SHEEHAN: Okay.

ROB: We spun up a lady named Sally Hardy. There's a piece of paper --

MR. SHEEHAN: Yes. She -- she posts the press releases. Right.

ROB: Right. Her phone numbers are over on the left. I promised her when we knew what we were going to do, we would give her a call and let her know. Okay?

MR. SHEEHAN: Okay.

ROB: Could you call her, please? There's three phone numbers listed.

MR. SHEEHAN: Okay. Tell me exactly what we're asking her to do.

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1 ROB: We're --- we're -- she can stand
2 down.

3 MR. SHEEHAN: Oh, stand down. She's
4 sitting around waiting to her if we're going to post
5 what, the latest talking points?

6 ROB: No. A press release.

7 MR. SHEEHAN: And we're going to tell
8 her no need?

9 ROB: We're not planning to issue a
10 press release right now.

11 MR. SHEEHAN: What was it supposed to be
12 on?

13 ROB: This was the one going to be that

14 (b)(5)

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16 MR. SHEEHAN: Un huh?

17 ROB: -- we were going to come out and
18 say, you know, we've been shown numerous -- we're
19 pleased to find out that we had incomplete
20 information, you know. None-the-less, we still
21 recommend the 50.

22 MR. SHEEHAN: Okay.

23 ROB: So (indiscernible, possible LA had
24 it) envisioned and crafted in his mind. But we were
25 waiting on the information. And the information did

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1 not support issuing a -- a press release to retract
2 our -- or to change our previous position.

3 MR. SHEEHAN: Okay. All right. I'll
4 give her a call.

5 ROB: Just tell her to stand down.

6 MR. SHEEHAN: Yes. Will do.

7 ROB: Thank you, sir.

8 MR. SHEEHAN: Yep. Bye.

9 ROB: Bye bye.

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2 (CONFERENCE CALL INITIATED)

3 SALLY: Hello?

4 MR. SHEEHAN: Hi Sally, it's Neil
5 Sheehan, Public Affairs, NRC.

6 SALLY: Yes?

7 MR. SHEEHAN: Hey, I was just told to
8 give you a call that you could stand down as far as
9 this latest press release we were going to put out.
10 Apparently, that's not going to happen.

11 SALLY: Okay.

12 MR. SHEEHAN: All right?

13 SALLY: All right. Well, if you need me
14 later, just give me a call.

15 MR. SHEEHAN: Will do. Thanks a lot.

16 SALLY: Uh huh. Bye.

17 MR. SHEEHAN: Bye.
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2 (CONFERENCE CALL INITIATED)

3 MR. SHEEHAN: NRC Public Affairs.

4 MALE PARTICIPANT: I found it.

5 MR. SHEEHAN: You found it? Where was
6 it?

7 MALE PARTICIPANT: It had slipped down
8 behind -- between the seat -- the bottom of the seat
9 and the frame. The seat sits down real -- real low.
10 And it had dropped down.

11 MR. SHEEHAN: Oh. That's happened to me
12 before.

13 MALE PARTICIPANT: Yes.

14 MR. SHEEHAN: So anyway, good news.
15 Glad to hear you found it.

16 MALE PARTICIPANT: Yes. Yes. Thank
17 you. Talk to you later.

18 MR. SHEEHAN: All right. Bye.

19 MALE PARTICIPANT: Bye.
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MR. SHEEHAN: I think he was on CNN Today anyway. He was on CNN after -- after he did his lunch -- after he did his -- his Capitol Hill stint today.

(b)(5): Hello. You've reached (b)(5) at (b)(5). I can't take your call right now, but please leave a message and I'll get right back to you. In an emergency, you may please call my mobile number at (b)(6)

(b)(6) If you need to reach an AM staffer immediately, call our main number at (b)(6).

That number is staffed 24/7. Thanks.

MR. SHEEHAN: Hi (b)(5) Neil Sheehan from NRC Public Affairs. Wanted to make sure I got back to you. It looks, at this point, as though the Chairman would not be able to accommodate your request to do an interview tomorrow morning. If that changes, I'll certainly let you know. But, as of this hour, it looks like we wouldn't be able to support that. So feel free to check back if you'd like. I'm at 6 -- I'm sorry, I'm at (301) 816-5107. Thanks. Bye.

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RECORDED MESSAGE: Please enter mailbox number now. (Ping sound) Welcome. Please enter your PIN. (Pinging sounds). Your out of office greeting is currently -- you have pressed an unrecognized key. Please try again. Your out of office greeting is -- you have 18 new messages.

MR. FARMER: Oh, seriously, I have 18 new messages? How could that be? Is that right?

RECORDED MESSAGE: Press 11 to listen to new messages (pinging sound).

(b)(6): (RECORDED MESSAGE): Hello, Mr. Farmer, this is (b)(6) (phonetic). I'm calling from (b)(6). I'm following up on a request that we had and from (b)(6) and from (b)(6) to do an interview with Mr. Jaczko. If you'd give me a call back, that would be great. (b)(6). Thank you so much. We'd like to have him on live on the (b)(6) Thank you. Bye bye.

(b)(6): (REPLAY OF RECORDED MESSAGE): Hello, Mr. Farmer, This is (b)(6) I'm calling from (b)(6) I'm following up on a request that we had and from (b)(6)

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2 interview with Mr. Jaczko. If you'd give me a call
3 back, that would be great. (b)(6) Thank
4 you so much. We'd like to have him on live on the
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7 MESSAGE): Hello, Mr. Farmer, This is (b)(6)
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11 interview with Mr. Jaczko. If you'd give me a call
12 back, that would be great. (b)(6) Thank
13 you so much. We'd like to have him on live on the
14 (b)(6) Thursday morning. Thank you. Bye bye.

15 (b)(6): (RECORDED MESSAGE): Hi. My
16 name is (b)(6). I'm trying to reach Mr.
17 Brenner. I'm calling from (b)(6)
18 to follow up on a request to have Mr. Jaczko appear
19 on the (b)(6) tomorrow morning. Again, my
20 number (b)(6) I'd like to make
21 arrangements, if possible. Thanks so much. Bye
22 bye.

23 MS. (b)(6): (RECORDED MESSAGE): Hi.
24 This is (b)(6) calling -- calling back from
25 the (b)(6) I spoke with Stephanie about an

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1 hour ago. It's about 7:15 now. I just wanted to
 2 check and see if there's any movement on our request
 3 to interview the Chairman tomorrow morning on the
 4 (b)(6). I saw him on CNN just now and he was
 5 really strong. And we were hoping we might be able
 6 to work it out for 7:00 a.m. tomorrow morning on the
 7 (b)(6). If you could give me a call back either
 8 way, I'd appreciate it. I'm at (b)(6)
 9 Again, (b)(6) Thank you.

10 MS. (b)(6): (RECORDED MESSAGE PLAYED
 11 AGAIN): Hi. This is (b)(6) calling --
 12 calling back from the (b)(6). I spoke with
 13 Stephanie about an hour ago. It's about 7:15 now.
 14 I just wanted to check and see if there's any
 15 movement on our request to interview the Chairman
 16 tomorrow morning on (b)(6). I saw him on
 17 CNN just now and he was really strong. And we were
 18 hoping we might be able to work it out for 7:00 a.m.
 19 tomorrow morning on (b)(6). If you could
 20 give me a call back either way, I'd appreciate it.
 21 I'm at (b)(6) Again, (b)(6)
 22 Thank you.

23 MR. (b)(6): (RECORDED MESSAGE): Hello.
 24 I'm just a private citizen in (b)(6)
 25 (b)(6) I had a wild idea about trying to help

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1 these people in Japan how to cool off the reactors.

2 If you think you have the time to call me, I'm at
3 area code (b)(6) It's a wild idea. It's a
4 brain storm. But that's how things are -- are made
5 to work. I'd appreciate a return call. Thank you.

6 My name is (b)(6) (phonetic).

7 MS. (b)(6) : (RECORDED MESSAGE): Hi
8 there. It's (b)(6) at (b)(6)

9 Just checking in to see if Chairman Jaczko is doing
10 any interviews -- any live interviews tomorrow
11 morning. We did see that he did speak to reporters
12 at a stake out. We wanted to see if he was
13 available for a lengthier one-on-one. Please call
14 me. I'm at (b)(6) Thanks.

15 MR. (b)(6) : (RECORDED MESSAGE): Hello.
16 My name's (b)(6) I'm a veteran. I live in
17 (indiscernible, possibly (b)(6)

18 (b)(6) (b)(6) (b)(6)

19 (b)(6) Is there anyone considered delivery of dry
20 ice? It sounds like a delivery application of dry
21 ice to cool these reactors down and it would not
22 emit a limited emission of radiation into the
23 atmosphere. Is dry ice being considered? Because
24 there's no sure chance of getting all dry ice. I
25 know you all are a lot smarter than me. But it just

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1 makes some sense when you've got something that's
2 four or five thousand degrees, and I worked in
3 (b)(6) the military.

4 But, you know, it might be a
5 consideration to thing about something like this.
6 Well I appreciate it, you know. You guys are a lot
7 smarter than me. My number is (b)(6) But
8 that ain't no -- you know what I mean, it ain't no
9 thing about me. It's about making sure that
10 containment is contained. Thank you. Bye bye.

11 MR. FARMER: I keep getting calls from
12 people saying have you thought about dumping dry ice
13 into the reactors. (b)(5)

14 (b)(5)

15 (b)(6): (RECORDED MESSAGE): Hello.
16 My name is (b)(6) (phonetic). My phone
17 number is (b)(6) I have a sister who's
18 currently in Japan and she is hopefully going to fly
19 out next Tuesday, on the 22nd. And I'm just curious
20 what you guys are recommending she should do, once
21 she gets back into the States; what kind of
22 medication or what kind of a doctor she should go
23 to. We're very concerned about here. She lives
24 about (b)(6) from the (indiscernible, possibly
25 Dinichi Plant). And we're really concerned about

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1 radiation levels for her right now. If you could
2 please give me a call back. Thank you so much. And
3 once again, my name is (b)(6). Thank you.
4 Bye.

5 (MESSAGE REPEATED AS ABOVE)

6 (b)(6): (RECORDED MESSAGE): Hi.

7 This message is for someone in the press office. My
8 name is (b)(6). I'm following up on a message
9 that my colleague (b)(6) had left from (b)(6) on
10 behalf of (b)(6). I'm trying to find out
11 if someone could get in touch with me and let me
12 know if Greg Jaczko might be available to do an
13 interview with (b)(6) this evening. Please
14 contact me at (b)(6). Again, (b)(6) I
15 will be here through midnight eastern and I look
16 forward to hearing from you. Thank you.

17 MR. FARMER: Does this make any sense?

18 (b)(6): (RECORDED MESSAGE): Hi. My

19 name is (b)(6). I'm calling from (b)(6), the

20 (b)(6) Just following up on my request with

21 Mr. Brenner to have the Chairman here on (b)(6)

22 (b)(6) Please could you give me a call back?

23 Hopefully, we can have him appear on the (b)(6)

24 tomorrow morning. Thursday. My number is (b)(6)

25 (b)(6) I will be here all evening.

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1 MR. FARMER: Boy, they're persistent
2 too, you guys. (b)(6) must have left three messages.
3 (b)(6) left like five messages. These little
4 producers, it's all they do is try to scramble and
5 get -- no. It's fine. I'm saying it's the same
6 people, just leaving multiple messages. I'll just
7 have to get back to them.

8 Dave, you should go anyway, You've been
9 here a long time today.

10 (b)(6) (RECORDED MESSAGE): Hi.
11 This is (b)(6) (phonetic). I'm a reporter
12 for the (b)(6) in Guam. I just want an
13 update on the situation in Japan and I was told to
14 call this number. Please call me back at (b)(6)

15 (b)(6) Thanks again.

16 MR. FARMER: What time did you get in?

17 MR. MACINTYRE: Two.

18 MR. FARMER: Oh. Yes, you should still
19 go home. I know it's been a long day. I'll tell
20 you, I went home and fell asleep. That was like the
21 most I've had in four days. It felt great.

22 (b)(6): (RECORDED MESSAGE PLAYED
23 AGAIN): Hi. This is (b)(6) (phonetic). I'm
24 a reporter for the (b)(6) in Guam. I
25 just want an update on the situation in Japan and I

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2 at (b)(6) Thanks again.

3 MS (b)(6): (RECORDED MESSAGE): Hi.
4 My name is (b)(6) (phonetic) and I'm hoping
5 to talk to someone who can give me some information
6 about the two active nuclear plants in California
7 and, in particular, the Devil Canyon Plant which has
8 applied for relicensure. And just sort of generally
9 speaking, I'm hoping someone can call me on the
10 events in Japan and what is the NRC's process for
11 reviewing applications. Thank you, so much. You
12 can reach me -- I'll give you my cell phone number.

13 It's best. It's (b)(6) Again, (b)(6)
14 (b)(6) And I am calling on Wednesday evening. But
15 if you could give me a call first thing Thursday
16 morning, that would be great. Thank you so much.
17 Bye bye.

18 (b)(6) (RECORDED MESSAGE PLAYED
19 AGAIN): Hi. My name is (b)(6) (phonetic)
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5 Wednesday evening. But if you could give me a call
6 first thing Thursday morning, that would be great.
7 Thank you so much. Bye bye.

8 (b)(6): (RECORDED MESSAGE): Hello.
9 My name is (b)(6). My number is
10 (b)(6) And, if you could please call me, I
11 will appreciate it. (b)(6) It's in
12 relation to what's happening in Japan. Thank you.

13 (b)(6): (RECORDED MESSAGE PLAYED
14 AGAIN): Hello. My name is (b)(6)
15 (b)(6) My number is (b)(6) And, if you could
16 please call me, I will appreciate it. (b)(6)
17 (b)(6) It's in relation to what's happening in
18 Japan. Thank you.

19 (b)(6): (RECORDED MESSAGE): Hi.
20 My name is (b)(6) (phonetic). I'm a
21 reporter with (b)(6) newspaper out here in Guam.
22 And I was wondering what the trajectory of
23 radiation from Japan looks like now that the wind
24 has shifted. I was referred to you guys from NOAH
25 National Weather Service. I know our time

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1 difference is big. It's right before lunch here.
2 If someone could just give me a call back whenever
3 you get this, my number is (b)(6) Thank
4 you.

5 MR. (b)(6) (RECORDED MESSAGE): This
6 is (b)(6) (b)(6) Possible fraud on
7 the Japanese thing. Using (b)(6) tank,
8 which has over pressure and such, to mount a hose or
9 graphite or whatever.

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12 (CONFERENCE CALL INITIATED)

13 (b)(6): Early Show, (b)(6) speaking.

14 MR. SHEEHAN: Hi (b)(6). It's Neil
15 Sheehan from NRC Public Affairs.

16 (b)(6): Hi. How are you doing?

17 MR. SHEEHAN: Good. I'm pretty good.
18 How are you?

19 (b)(6): Good. What's going on?

20 MR. SHEEHAN: Nothing. I just wanted to
21 get back to you. I don't think the Chairman's
22 going to be available tomorrow morning,
23 unfortunately.

24 (b)(6): Okay. Is he doing anyone
25 else tomorrow?

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1 MR. SHEEHAN: No. Not that I'm aware
2 of.

3 (b)(6): Okay.

4 MR. SHEEHAN: No. But if it changes,
5 we'll certainly let you know.

6 (b)(6): Okay.

7 MR. SHEEHAN: But, at this point, we're
8 going to have to politely decline.

9 (b)(6): Okay. Do you know, should I
10 -- are you my best point of contact, then, kind of
11 for future requests going forward?

12 MR. SHEEHAN: You know, I would just
13 call the NRC Public Affairs main number.

14 (b)(6): Okay.

15 MR. SHEEHAN: We've got people working
16 around the clock.

17 (b)(6): Okay.

18 MR. SHEEHAN: And, you know, we're
19 checking voice mail on a regular basis. So I -- you
20 know, one of us will get back to you.

21 (b)(6): Okay. Okay. Fair enough.
22 I appreciate it.

23 MR. SHEEHAN: Sure. You're welcome.
24 Okay. Good-bye.

25 (b)(6): Okay. Bye bye.

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(b)(6): (b)(6), it's (b)(6).

MR. SHEEHAN: Hi (b)(6). It's Neil Sheehan at the NRC.

(b)(6): Hey, how are you?

MR. SHEEHAN: Pretty good. How are you?

(b)(6): I'm great, thank you. Thanks for getting back to me.

MR. SHEEHAN: Sure. Yes. I know you have a request in for Chairman Jaczko to be on the (b)(6) tomorrow. It looks like he's not going to be able to do that, unfortunately. He's got some other -- other things going on right now, as I'm sure you know.

(b)(6): Sure.

MR. SHEEHAN: If that changes, we'll let you know. But, at this point, we would have to politely decline.

(b)(6): Okay. All right. Well thanks for getting back to me. Is he doing any other TV tomorrow morning?

MR. SHEEHAN: Sure. Sure. No, he's not.

(b)(6): Okay. He's just doing the

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1 White House briefing?

2 MR. SHEEHAN: That's it, at the moment.

3 (b)(6) : What time is that?

4 MR. SHEEHAN: Hold on one second.

5 (PAUSE)

6 MR. SHEEHAN: No. I'm sorry. I'm not
7 sure at the moment. If I -- if I get a time on
8 that, I'll let you know. But --

9 (b)(6) : Okay, Don't worry about it.
10 Thanks for getting back to me.

11 MR. SHEEHAN: Sure. No problem. Take
12 care. Bye bye.

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(CONFERENCE CALL INITIATED)

(b)(6): This is (b)(6).

MR. SHEEHAN: Hi (b)(6). It's Neil Sheehan from NRC Public Affairs.

(b)(6): Hi. How are you?

MR. SHEEHAN: Pretty good. I think we spoke the other night.

(b)(6): We did. And I just wanted to get an update, because I know NRC has been making statements about -- you have provided an assessment of what's in Japan. And I just wanted to get like the most up-to-date information. I think I also sent an e-mail, just to get anything that I could for us here in Guam, about the situation in Japan and if there are any significant radiation leaks and what's kind of going on there.

MR. SHEEHAN: Well, our overall assessment hasn't changed, as far as potential impacts on either the U.S. mainland or Hawaii, the Territories. We still don't believe there are any releases that pose a harmful risk to -- to any U.S. Citizens, you know, again, on the mainland or in U.S. Territories.

(b)(6): Okay.

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1 MR. SHEEHAN: We did -- you know,
2 obviously, if you saw our latest press release, we
3 are recommending evacuations up to 50 miles from the
4 reactor for Americans located over there. We can't
5 tell the Japanese government what to do, obviously.

6 But it -- for Americans within that area, because
7 it is an evolving situation. The Japanese,
8 obviously, are working very hard to deal with you
9 know, multiple issues involving its reactors. And
10 we're continuing to monitor that very closely. But,
11 at this point, we don't see again any harmful risks
12 to U.S. citizens who are outside of Japan.

13 (b)(6) Okay. And then I'm just
14 wondering what the risks are right now with the
15 situation. I mean, I'm getting all my information
16 basically from other news organizations, the ATC&M.

17 MR. SHEEHAN: Uh hum.

18 (b)(6) So I was hoping to maybe just get
19 some more concrete information from you, as far as
20 what's actually going on there and how worried we
21 should be about the process. You know, the threat
22 of a melt-down. Is this already in the process?
23 Has there already been sort of a partial melt-down?
24 What would be the risks if there were a full melt-
25 down?

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1 MR. SHEEHAN: Well, I mean, again, there
2 are multiple problems that they're contending with
3 at those Japanese reactors. One having to do with
4 water -- water levels declining in the spent fuel
5 pools; concerns about damage to the containment
6 structures on several of the reactors; and we've got
7 a team over there of 11. They are basically working
8 very closely with our Japanese counterparts, the
9 Japanese regulators. We're working with the -- you
10 know, the company, itself. And we're trying to
11 provide as much technical assistance as possible.

12 So, you know, because it is evolving, we
13 can't give you kind of an up-to-the minute account
14 of exactly where things stand at the moment, other
15 than that they are busily trying to get water into
16 the -- certainly the Unit Four Spent Fuel Pool, and
17 -- and check on all the others as well. And we're
18 going to continue to follow that.

19 (b)(6): And I'm just wondering how long
20 could a situation like this go on? I mean, with --
21 I mean, how can this be brought under control? I
22 mean, is there like a threshold, after which it's
23 kind of -- there's nothing you can do?

24 MR. SHEEHAN: We're just going to have
25 to continue to monitor that. We wouldn't be able to

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1 give you, you know, a fixed date at which they'll be
2 out of this. Because, obviously, there's still a
3 tremendous amount of work they have to do to try to
4 bring the situation under control.

5 But we're going to -- we're going to
6 continue to keep close watch on it, as far as, you
7 know, radiation levels in the territories and the
8 rest of the U.S. We're working with our Federal
9 partners to monitor radiation releases from Japan.
10 that includes, you know, EPA certainly has that
11 network of monitors. They're able to keep a watch
12 on that. The military is in the vicinity of Japan
13 and so they are -- they are keeping a close watch on
14 radiation levels. And we're going to -- we're going
15 to continue to keep a close watch on that.

16 (b)(6): Well, do you have any numbers of
17 the radiation levels and how far they extend out
18 from Japan?

19 MR. SHEEHAN: On -- how far they extend
20 out? I mean, there's no -- at this point, what
21 happens is the concern is always in the immediate
22 vicinity of the plants.

23 (b)(6): Uh hum.

24 MR. SHEEHAN: That confirm that. That
25 the greatest concern is in the immediate vicinity.

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1 And so the Japanese government now, for several
2 days, has recommended up to 20 kilometers for
3 evacuations. And then, you know, they're taking --
4 they're looking at taking some action, even further
5 out than that. But, once you get off -- you know,
6 off of the island, itself, any radiation that's
7 being released disperses very quickly. It drops
8 off. There's dispersal. So, by the time it would --
9 -- would reach a location like Guam, you would only
10 be picking up, if anything, trace levels. That's --
11 that's what the models, at this point, indicate.

12 (b)(6): Okay. And are there any models,
13 as far as the likelihood of where it's going to go?

14 MR. SHEEHAN: Well, it changes. I mean,
15 that's -- that's the nature of this. You know, the
16 winds shift around; they may be blowing west to east
17 one day, and the next day, they may be blowing north
18 to south. So, if that's constant -- that's
19 something that's being constantly monitored. And
20 then they put together models. And then they will
21 make protective action recommendations, which is
22 what's already happened.

23 We looked at the information that was
24 available. And our -- or models and -- and
25 determined that, for U.S. citizens, there, it really

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1 made sense to evacuated out the 50 -- 50 miles.

2 (b)(6): And, I mean, are there any
3 situations in which you would -- you know, you would
4 want to evacuate more than that? I mean --

5 MR. SHEEHAN: Well, it's an -- it's an
6 evolving situation, is -- is what we would say at
7 this point. Obviously, they're contending with
8 multiple issues and, as the situation -- if the
9 situation changes, they could revise the protective
10 action recommendations.

11 (b)(6): Okay.

12 MR. SHEEHAN: All right?

13 (b)(6): So that kind of covers it for
14 right now.

15 MR. SHEEHAN: Okay. Well, by the way,
16 do you work with a (b)(6)?

17 (b)(6): No, I don't.

18 MR. SHEEHAN: You don't? A different
19 reporter from Guam? Okay. Sorry. I thought she
20 worked for (b)(6), as well.

21 (b)(6): No. I think she works -- there's
22 (b)(6) on Guam. So if you got another
23 call, it was probably the (indiscernible, possible
24 the (b)(6)). Does that sound familiar?

25 MR. SHEEHAN: All she said was she was a

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1 reporter from Guam. I wasn't sure if she was one of
2 your colleagues. But I'll give her a call.

3 (b)(6): Okay. Yes. No. There's nobody
4 there by that name.

5 MR. SHEEHAN: Okay. Thanks a lot. All
6 right. Bye.

7 (b)(6): Bye.

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2 (CONFERENCE CALL INITIATED)

3 (b)(6): Hello.

4 MR. SHEEHAN: Hi. I'm trying to reach

5 (b)(6).

6 (b)(6): Hi. Yes. This is (b)(6).

7 MR. SHEEHAN: Hi. This is Neil Sheehan
8 from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

9 (b)(6): Oh, hi. Hi. Thank you for
10 calling me back.

11 MR. SHEEHAN: You're welcome. Who are
12 you with, by the way?

13 JENNIFER: I'm with (b)(6) (phonetic)

14 (b)(6)

15 MR. SHEEHAN: Oh, okay.

16 (b)(6): Yes. A (b)(6) here in
17 Guam.

18 MR. SHEEHAN: Yep.

19 (b)(6): And yes, I was just wondering
20 what the latest is. Right now, I have to go -- we
21 were just getting forecasts from the National
22 Weather Service or whatever. But now I think they
23 said you have the lead. So I don't know if Guam
24 is facing any threat or whether we know.

25 MR. SHEEHAN: Well, we haven't seen any

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1 indication that would indicate that -- that Guam,
2 any of the territories or any other part of the U.S.
3 would be -- would experience any harmful effects
4 from the events going on in Japan.

5 (b)(6): Okay.

6 MR. SHEEHAN: You know, we're continuing
7 to monitor, you know, the levels of radioactivity
8 resulting from the Japanese reactor events. And
9 we're doing that with, you know, our other federal
10 agencies -- other federal partners. And EPA does
11 monitoring; the military has been doing monitoring;
12 Department of Energy has -- they're doing some
13 independent monitoring in Japan. We're continuing
14 to do dose modeling, based on what we know about the
15 radioactive releases there. And, based on -- based
16 on the results of the monitoring and the distance
17 between Japan and Guam and other parts of the U.S.,
18 we don't see any cause for concern, as far as
19 possible health effects -- harmful health effects.

20 The --

21 (b)(6): Okay.

22 MR. SHEEHAN: You know, typically, when
23 there's an accident involving a reactor, the most
24 significant effects are seen in the area immediately
25 around the reactor.

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1 (b)(6): Yes.

2 MR. SHEEHAN: Which is why the -- the
3 Japanese evacuated up to 20 kilometers out from the
4 -- the site. And they're taking some other
5 protective actions, beyond that.

6 (b)(6): Yes. Okay.

7 MR. SHEEHAN: I don't know if you saw
8 our press release from earlier today. But we were
9 urging American citizens -- and again, this is
10 precautionary, but we were urging American citizens
11 within 50 miles of the reactors, to evacuate.

12 (b)(6): Yes. Okay. And I was
13 wondering about that. Because the U.S. is saying
14 move out 50 miles and Japan is always saying 20
15 kilometers. Or --

16 MR. SHEEHAN: Yes. Well, you know,
17 we're looking at -- we're doing our own calculations
18 and we believe that we want to do everything we can
19 to help protect our citizens there. The Japanese
20 obviously have to make their -- their own decisions,
21 as far as protecting their citizens.

22 We believe it's justified based on the
23 data there. But, as far as the modeling that we're
24 doing, as far as releases off -- off of Japan to
25 other locations, we're not seeing any harmful

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1 effects. Because what happens is even any releases
2 disperse very quickly. So that, by the time they
3 travel the, you know, the hundreds of thousands of
4 miles, you would -- you would pick up trace amounts,
5 if anything at all.

6 (b)(6): Okay. Okay.

7 MR. SHEEHAN: But, you know, but -- but
8 I will add one other thing, which is that you know,
9 it would -- it's prudent for members of the public
10 to listen to their local authorities and you know,
11 make sure that if there's any guidance, as far as
12 protective actions, that you heed them

13 (b)(6): Yes. That's a good idea.

14 MR. SHEEHAN: You know, in the event
15 that that were to happen. We're not seeing any
16 evidence that that would be the case here. But, you
17 know, if -- if any protective action guidance comes
18 from -- from local authorities, then it would be
19 best to heed that.

20 (b)(6): Okay. Okay. And, do you --
21 okay. I guess -- I think that's it. Or, what is
22 coming out? What kind of -- just radiation or
23 chemicals or what kind of stuff is being released?
24 Can you be specific?

25 MR. SHEEHAN: Well, yes. I mean, it's -

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1 - the concern is, you know, the radioactive gasses.

2 But if they were to have, with melting of fuel in
3 the spent fuel pools, there could be some
4 radioactive particles. But what happens is they
5 would tend to deposit in the area immediately around
6 the -- the, you know, the vicinity of the plant, not
7 -- not travel across the oceans.

8 (b)(6): Okay.

9 MR. SHEEHAN: You know. So that's why
10 the focus is really on doing evacuations right
11 around there and dealing with that local population.

12 That's where the greatest cause for concern would
13 be, much as it was after the Chernobyl accident.
14 The -- the greatest impacts were in the immediate
15 vicinity.

16 (b)(6): Yes. Okay. Yes. But this
17 kind of -- in relation of this to Chernobyl, there's
18 like a scale, right, and Chernobyl was seven?

19 MR. SHEEHAN: Yes. Right.

20 (b)(6): And Japan started off as
21 four, but now it's six, I think?

22 MR. SHEEHAN: I think that's correct.
23 It's -- at this point, it's been reclassified as
24 six. Yes. So it's -- you know, we're not trying to
25 down play it. It's a significant event and there

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1 are a tremendous number of resources being devoted
2 to this right now.

3 (b)(6): Yes.

4 MR. SHEEHAN: It's -- you know, it's got
5 the attention at the highest levels of the U.S.
6 Government. That's for sure.

7 (b)(6): Okay. I guess that's all. I
8 guess we're just having -- so weather patterns do
9 play -- do they play a part in this? Does it have
10 anything to do with the weather?

11 MR. SHEEHAN: Well, certainly. I mean,
12 if there's plume of radioactivity coming off the
13 plants, the wind factor -- meteorological conditions
14 are a, you know, a major factor in where -- where
15 this would travel. So they're going to have to keep
16 very close watch on changes in wind patterns. But,
17 as far as -- that's true of the primary concern
18 there, it's in Japan. It's not off seas -- over
19 seas, you now, off the island there.

20 (b)(6): Okay. And is a plume coming
21 off now, or no?

22 MR. SHEEHAN: Well, I mean, there --
23 there is radioactivity being released. But the
24 major impacts are -- are in the vicinity of the
25 plant. There's, you know, by the time it gets --

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1 you get a number of miles away, you wouldn't pick up
2 harmful -- you know, levels that would be of
3 concern.

4 (b)(6): Oh. Okay. Isn't there like
5 -- so how quick does it -- it kind of goes back into
6 the -- it disperses or something and goes back into
7 the environment? Right? How long does that take?

8 MR. SHEEHAN: Right. It disburses. And
9 so, the further -- you know, that's kind of the
10 principle with radioactivity. They talk about time,
11 distance, and shielding as protection against
12 radioactivity. So, you know, the more -- the
13 further away you are, the more -- the less you have
14 to worry about. If you're nearby, you know, you can
15 always -- a building, obviously, would provide
16 shielding. So, I mean, there are, you know, various
17 things that could be done to try to protect.

18 But the key thing is evacuations.
19 That's why it was essential that they evacuated that
20 area around the plant. And that happened fairly
21 early on.

22 (b)(6) Yes. Okay. And then, also
23 could you tell me if there's a -- or what's the
24 difference between a partial -- is there a partial
25 meld-down going on?

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1 MR. SHEEHAN: Well, yes. They have --
2 they've acknowledged that there's partial melting of
3 the fuel.

4 (b)(6): Okay.

5 MR. SHEEHAN: Yes.

6 (b)(6): And -- and what is the --

7 MR. SHEEHAN: So the question is, is in
8 contained, you know, with the spent fuel pool,
9 that's -- that's open to the environment. So that's
10 something that they want to halt as quickly as
11 possible. If there's any true melting taking place.

12 As far as inside the reactor, you know, the
13 containment building is designed to protect against
14 that. But they also have some concerns about flaws
15 involving the -- the containment structures on at
16 least two of the units.

17 (b)(6): Okay.

18 MR. SHEEHAN: All right. (b)(6), I've
19 got to run. So I'll give you one more. Go ahead.

20 (b)(6): Okay. Okay. Oh, no. No.
21 I'm good. I guess. I'll let you go. Can I just
22 ask how do I spell your name?

23 MR. SHEEHAN: It's Neil, N-E-I-L,
24 Sheehan, S-H-E-E-H-A-N, and an NRC Spokesman.

25 (b)(6): NRC Spokesman?

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MR. SHEEHAN: Right.

(b)(6): Okay.

MR. SHEEHAN: All right.

(b)(6): Thank you, so much.

MR. SHEEHAN: Okay. Bye.

(b)(6): Bye.

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2 (CONFERENCE CALL INITIATED)

3 (b)(6): Hello, this is (b)(6).

4 MR. SHEEHAN: Hi (b)(6). I'm sorry to
5 call you back at this hour. It's Neil Sheehan from
6 the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

7 (b)(6): Hi, how are you.

8 MR. SHEEHAN: Good. I hope I didn't
9 wake you.

10 (b)(6): No. No. I'm -- it's 8:30 p.m.
11 here where I live.

12 MR. SHEEHAN: Okay. We're just trying
13 to get caught up on some calls that came in.
14 Obviously, it's been very busy for use here.

15 (b)(6): Yes. I bet.

16 MR. SHEEHAN: Yes.

17 (b)(6): Thanks for -- for giving me a
18 call back. Were you calling to just to be able to
19 answer questions. Or were you --

20 MR. SHEEHAN: I was calling to say I can
21 answer some more generalized questions. If you have
22 very specific questions about San Onofre and Diablo
23 Canyon, you'd probably have to wait until tomorrow.
24 But if you're looking for some general responses,
25 as far as what this might mean for relicensing, I

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1 could probably address those.

2 (b)(6): Okay.

3 MR. SHEEHAN: So it's your decision.

4 (b)(6): Sure. It's -- yes, let's just
5 sort of talk generally, at first.

6 MR. SHEEHAN: Okay.

7 (b)(6): What -- yes, how might this --
8 how might the events in Japan affect decisions in
9 the United States?

10 MR. SHEEHAN: Right. Well, you know,
11 it's too -- the simple answer is it's too soon to
12 tell. You know, obviously, there will be lessons
13 learned that come out of what's happening in -- in
14 Japan. The focus, right now, obviously, is on
15 monitoring the situation and trying to provide
16 technical assistance to the Japanese in any way that
17 we can.

18 (b)(6): Uh hum.

19 MR. SHEEHAN: So that that's where the
20 focus is, at the moment. But there -- you know,
21 there are differences between the way that we
22 approach reactors, versus the way that the Japanese
23 approach reactors too. You know, we -- we have done
24 -- when these plants were built, they had to undergo
25 seismic assessments. All right? And they looked at

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1 the worst case earthquake in the area of the plant,
2 based on historical data. And, as a result, the
3 plant had to be designed to withstand that.

4 (b)(6): Uh hum.

5 MR. SHEEHAN: More recently, we have --
6 because now we have some new reactor applications,
7 we have been taking a fresh -- I'm sorry. If you
8 could hold one second.

9 (PAUSE)

10 MR. SHEEHAN: Okay. Sorry about that.
11 More recently, we've been taking -- because we have
12 new reactor applications before us now, we've been
13 taking a fresh look at seismic data that's been made
14 available since then by the U.S. Geological Survey
15 and other sources, and as well as the fact that
16 there are -- there's now, obviously improved
17 computer modeling, since the plants -- most of the
18 plants that are currently operating in the U.S. were
19 designed -- which most of them are in the 69's and
20 70's. They were designed.

21 (b)(6): Mm hum.

22 MR. SHEEHAN: And so, based on that,
23 last September, we issued -- we talked about -- we
24 had winnowed the list of plants that we thought
25 should come in for some additional scrutiny for

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1 seismic risks from 104 reactors, U.S. wide, to well,
2 to 27 plants that we thought should. It doesn't
3 mean that this -- that will result in changes,
4 necessarily. Just that we want to now really zero
5 in on those plants. And see whether or not the risk
6 has truly increased for those units.

7 (b)(6): Uh hum.

8 MR. SHEEHAN: And, for Region IV, which
9 would encompass California, neither Diablo Canyon or
10 San Onofre were on that list.

11 (b)(6): Uh hum.

12 MR. SHEEHAN: But, you know, it's clear
13 that, when those units were built, there was a --
14 because of the -- the level of significant seismic
15 activity there, those plants were built to withstand
16 very significant earthquake activity.

17 (b)(6): Uh Hum. And I was also
18 wondering if you had data available about renewals.
19 One of the folks that I spoke to today said that
20 the NRC has never denied a -- an application for
21 renewal. And is that true or not?

22 MR. SHEEHAN: Well, it's on its face,
23 that's true, But it's a little more nuanced than
24 that. There have been a couple plants where we
25 either suspended the application or denied an

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1 application and made them go back and -- and redo
2 the application to address quality concerns.

3 The Beaver Valley plant in Western
4 Pennsylvania, near Pittsburgh, they submitted the
5 application -- an application several years ago. We
6 did a review and determined that the information was
7 not satisfactory, in terms of the quality and,
8 basically, said we're not going to review this.
9 They had to go back and redo the application. They
10 did resubmit and ultimately, they were approved.
11 But we did have -- we did not accept that
12 application initially.

13 The nine-mile point plants in upstate
14 New York, we -- we were half way through with that
15 review. And then we raised concerns about the
16 quality. Some of the information there halted the
17 review. And that was suspended for a period of
18 time, while they had to go back and address that.
19 But, beyond those two, there have been some plants
20 that simply looked at what our regulations are, and
21 determined that they weren't even going to submit
22 for license renewal.

23 The Yankee Row Plant in Western
24 Massachusetts shut down many years ago after they
25 determined they simply were not going to pass the

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1 test, in terms of our regulations. So, you know,
2 there's an example where no, we did not -- you know,
3 we didn't receive an application from them. But
4 they knew that they weren't going to pass the
5 threshold. So they didn't even submit.

6 There were some other --

7 (b)(6): I'm sorry.

8 MR. SHEEHAN: And there were some other
9 plants that have -- you know, Indian Point One, many
10 years ago, looked at what the regulations were;
11 never submitted a license renewal application; shut
12 down early. So it's not quite as simple as the NRC
13 has never turned down an application. They know --
14 the companies know what our requirements are and
15 they have to -- it costs them millions of dollars
16 just to submit an application. And they're not
17 going to make that decision to proceed unless they -
18 - they think they have a pretty good handle on what
19 the requirements are.

20 (b)(6): What is the average cost of --

21 MR. SHEEHAN: I don't know the answer.
22 You'd have to check with somebody like the Nuclear
23 Energy Institute. They might be able to tell you
24 what the average is. But I've been told it's
25 millions of dollars for them to prepare an

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1 application.

2 (b)(6): Uh Hum. And what -- is there a
3 point in the process where the NRC hosts public
4 hearings with local communities?

5 MR. SHEEHAN: Sure. Basically, what
6 happens is they submit the application; we do an
7 initial review to see if it contains the right
8 information and of sufficient quality. If we
9 determine that it does, then we will docket the
10 application; publish a notice in the Federal
11 Register; and then open a window for anybody who
12 wants to request a hearing. It's usually a 60-day
13 window for anybody who wants to request a hearing to
14 do so. And we've had requests for hearings on
15 numerous applications. In fact, the Vermont Yankee
16 Plant, they -- there was a hearing involved there.
17 And just last week, in fact the day before the
18 earthquake, the Commission voted on the last
19 remaining contention on that application. Which,
20 basically, cleared the way for the issuance of a
21 renewed license. We actually haven't issued the
22 renewed license, but the last issue was just
23 resolved. And that's -- that was in the sixth year
24 of review for the application. We've just -- and
25 we've just entered the sixth year, because they

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1 submitted in January of '06.

2 (b)(6): And so, at what point -- when is
3 the 60-day window to request a hearing? Is it right
4 after --

5 MR. SHEEHAN: Usually, it depends on how
6 long it takes us to do that initial review. That
7 initial review usually takes several months.

8 (b)(6) Oh.

9 MR. SHEEHAN: And then, if we are
10 satisfied, then we will docket it and then we will
11 embark on our formal review. And so, at that point,
12 we say okay now's the time to submit a request for a
13 hearing., And you can't just submit a contention
14 that says I'm philosophically opposed to nuclear
15 power. It has to do with some specific aspect of
16 the application; such as, I'm concerned about the
17 aging management program for system X.

18 (b)(6): Uh Hum. And so, basically
19 though, like after -- after that 60-day window, then
20 there is no more opportunity for public hearings?

21 MR. SHEEHAN: Right. I mean, that's the
22 time to submit a request for a hearing and to try to
23 become a party to the proceedings. Yes. That's the
24 time to do so.

25 (b)(6): Okay. So there's plant for

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1 example in Diablo Canyon, they submitted their
2 initial -- their initial application in November of
3 2009. So they are probably -- there would probably
4 not be an opportunity for public hearing in that
5 community now, at this point.

6 MR. SHEEHAN: What, for Diablo Canyon?

7 (b)(6) Yes.

8 MR. SHEEHAN: Well, I mean, I think
9 there was -- there were requests for hearings
10 submitted. So we would have to check and see where
11 that stands. But, you know, if that -- Yes. I
12 think there were people who took advantage of that
13 and submitted a request for hearing.

14 (b)(6) So, have those hearings occurred
15 already? Or does submitting a request means that
16 they could be scheduled?

17 MR. SHEEHAN: Can you hold just one
18 moment, please?

19 (b)(6) Un huh.

20 MR. SHEEHAN: Thanks.

21 (PAUSE)

22 MR. SHEEHAN: Are you still there?
23 Hello. Hello? Hello?

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MR. SHEEHAN: Hi (b)(6), it's Neil Sheehan from the NRC again. I'm sorry we got disconnected. Yes. We'd have to check on the status of the hearings for those plants in California. That's something that I -- actually, the best person to talk to on that would be Lara Uselding who's in our Region IV office. That's something that she's been following very closely. So she could help you out with that.

And, if you hold on. I'll give you her exact number. You can reach her at (817) 276-6519.

If there's anything else I can answer for you this evening, feel free to give me a call back. (301) 816-5107. Thanks a lot. Bye.

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