

Joosten, Sandy

From: Tom Gurdziel <tgurdziel@twcny.rr.com>
Sent: Sunday, June 22, 2014 10:04 PM
To: CHAIRMAN Resource
Cc: Screnci, Diane
Subject: PSEG/Hope Creek Recirculation Pump B

Good morning,

I recently stated that PSEG ran a troubled pump many hours past the recommended inspection interval, but I did not remember the specific numbers.

You will find the actual numbers in ML050100194. The inspection was recommended by GE SIL 459 at 80,000 hours. At the time this (ML) document was written, you will find in the second paragraph of page A-1 that Recirculation Pump B had been run 130,000 hours. How many it had when it actually got its shaft replaced, I do not know.

Thank you,

Tom Gurdziel

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From: Screnci, Diane
Sent: Friday, June 20, 2014 8:34 AM
To: Tom Gurdziel; CHAIRMAN Resource
Subject: RE: PSEG/Salem 2 Reactor Coolant Pumps

Tom,

Just an FYI – there was an event notification on Monday of last week <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/event-status/event/2014/20140609en.html>, which prompted Bill Gallo's (and other) story. Also PSEG put out a press release about this in May, so there was news coverage then, as well.

Have a nice weekend...

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From: Tom Gurdziel [<mailto:tgurdziel@twcny.rr.com>]
Sent: Thursday, June 19, 2014 11:29 PM
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Subject: PSEG/Salem 2 Reactor Coolant Pumps

Good morning,

Well, I just read about the Salem 2 bolt problem. (Bill Gallo, Jr./South Jersey Times.) It really wasn't hard to find on the Internet: as long as you already knew about the problem. If you didn't know, let me tell you, you weren't going to find it.

I have a couple of problems, and you should, too.

First off, is intergranular stress corrosion cracking in their current pump aging management program, or didn't that start yet?

Second, since this is a PWR, (like the SONGS ones were), does it also have a "loose parts monitor" that had procedures that required no operator action no matter how many times a year, (like 30, that is a three and a zero), the alarm comes it (as it did at SONGS)?

Third, would you think that some sort of information should have been provided by the US NRC to the public, or would that have been too transparent?

And, finally, you need to have someone explain to you how much trouble PSEG had at their Hope Creek plant a few years ago with a reactor recirculation pump that was run many thousands of hours past the vendors suggested (tear down) inspection time while they continued to monitor (but not fix) the excessive and unexpected (by them) pump vibration. My feeling is that they now should have been especially observant of problems on big pumps. Don't they do predictive maintenance on big pumps (and their motors)?

Thank you,

Tom Gurdziel

Mom & Dad had Public Service Electric & Gas, (now PSEG), stock since I was a kid. I have some of it now and am not happy with what I see here of continuing big pump problems.