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Good morning,

Recently I received a 2016-2017 IAEA catalogue listing a 2015 publication that "outlines critical issues which reflect the lessons learned applicable to electrical systems from the Fukushima Daiichi accident." I thought that this is something that the US NRC should be looking at to see if something has been missed, so I called the NRC Headquarters. The person that I called was not at her desk, so I asked to speak to somebody else. You know what, there was nobody that could talk to me. Now realize, this is the headquarters of about 3600 full time equivalents and they probably all have NRC-paid communication devices with them, or easily available to them. I left a message and got a call back about 1 ½ weeks later. But, although I was told that the NRC has a group that does look at IAEA stuff (not her word), I still was not told that they had reviewed IAEA-TECDOC-1770.

I decided to order the publication. Since the two USA listed booksellers did not have it yet, I sent an e-mail to Austria and bought it. It was sent to me and I read all the 89 pages once and the main text twice. Soon I will be making comments on their handling/description of "coping" which I find to be unclear.

But let me give you one example of a problem. Annex IV, Section 9.3. SBO events, page 82, lines 6 & 7 say: "Per the existing regulations, for a multi-NPP site, an SBO is only assumed to occur at a single NPP unit." Does that sound right? Maybe I should say, does that sound right for current US practice today?

Thank you,

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