



UNITED STATES
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July 27, 1994

Docket No. 50-410

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Dear Mr. Sylvia:

SUBJECT: PLANT STAFFING SURVEY AT NINE MILE POINT NUCLEAR STATION UNIT NO. 2

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission is conducting a survey of nuclear power plant staffing practices. On July 7, 1994, I telephoned Mr. Dave Baker of your staff to describe this survey and solicit the participation of Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station Unit 2. On July 18, 1994, Mr. Baker informed me that approval had been granted for one NRC employee (Jesse A. Arildsen) and two contractor employees (BNL) to visit your site on August 8-10, 1994, for the purpose of conducting the survey.

The purpose of this letter is to clearly identify the survey's objectives, the research team's planned activities at your site, and the support that will be required. The objective of this survey is to gain insights into plant personnel workloads and the workload management strategies they use when responding to plant operational events. The team's charter is to conduct a survey, not to evaluate regulatory compliance. Specifically, the team intends to conduct the activities identified in the Enclosure at the Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station Unit 2.

Keeping in mind that participation in this survey is voluntary, we have tried to limit the activities and involvement of your personnel, wherever possible, in order to minimize our impact on site staff workloads. Following the description of each activity listed in the Enclosure, there is a description of the support that we are requesting. Please review this information to

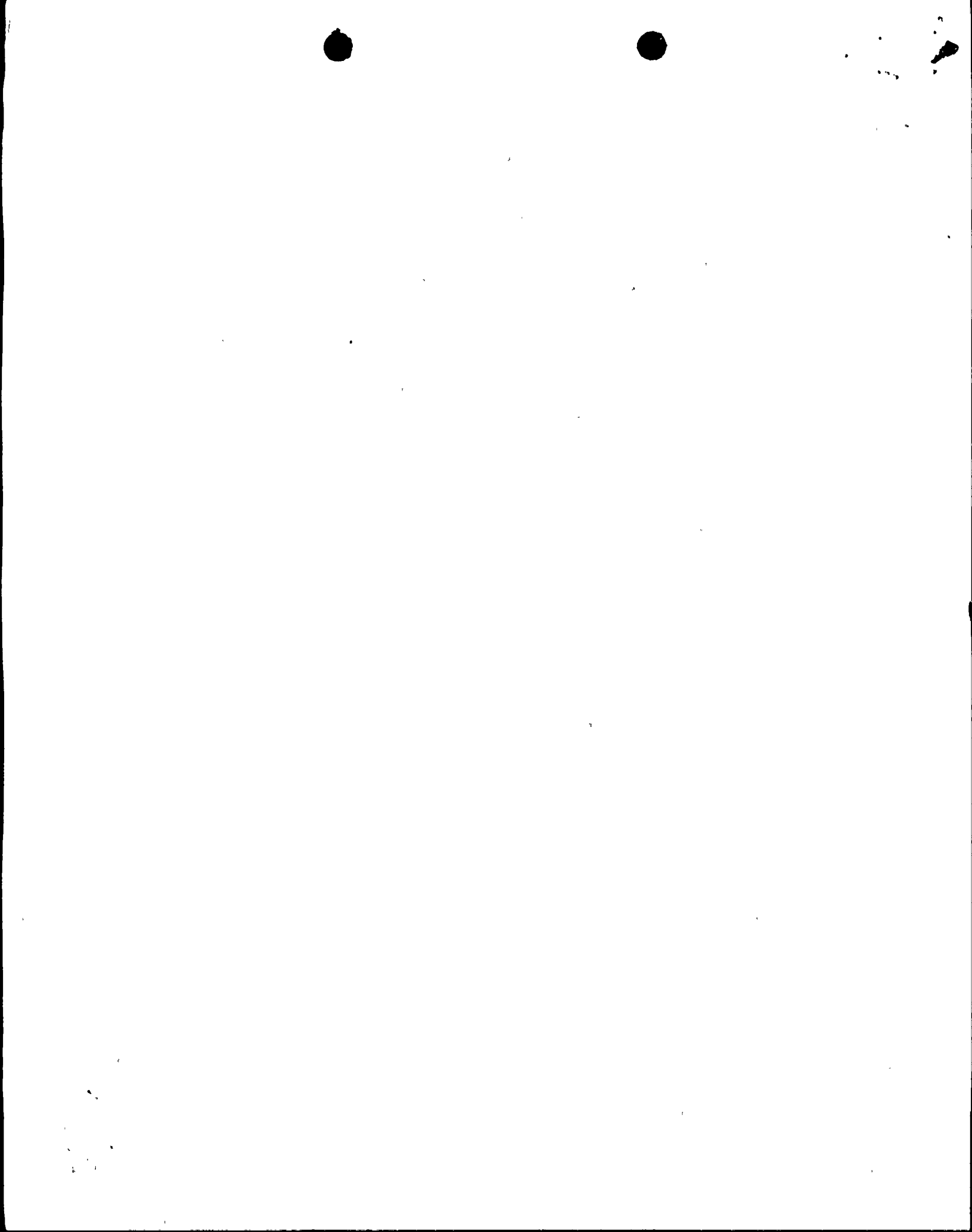
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verify the availability of requested personnel. Should you determine that individuals will not be available, or should you have any questions concerning this survey, please contact me at (301) 504-1409.

Thank you for your cooperation for participating in this survey.

Sincerely,



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Staff Survey

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Enclosure

STAFFING SURVEY
PLANNED ACTIVITIES AND REQUESTED SUPPORT RESOURCES

Activity

Support Resources

DAY 1

Brief site management on data collection.

Interested site management.

Conduct table tops of two scenarios.

1 Operations trainer and 1 SRO with recent shift experience.

DAY 2

Interviews and documentation review.

Interviews will be conducted with individuals who perform actions during emergency events. Each interview should last 15 to 20 minutes (e.g., 1 operator trainer, 1 health physicist (HP)/HP supervisor, 1 chemistry technician/ chemistry technician supervisor, maintenance technicians, EOP coordinator, security guard).

1 individual to assist in the collection of relevant documentation.

Operators/Operations Managers to collect data on staffing practices at the facility.

DAY 3

Walkdowns and talkthroughs with all support personnel relevant to normal back shift staffing levels.

1 auxiliary operator to conduct walkdowns and talkthroughs. Additional support personnel as needed to understand all procedural activities.

Fire brigade task walkdowns.



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