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Good morning Commissioner Echols,

There is a very well-informed, 2 page article in the "Viewpoint" section of the current, (May 15/22, 2017), issue of "ENR, Engineering News-Record" that is well worth reading. The author, now retired, has been a vice president at Bechtel, among other companies as well. He identifies a number of work aspects, (such as program and time management), that deserve concentrated attention. He also mentions such up-to-date aids as 3D CADD electronic platforms and building information models, (also known as "BIM").

The writer is Edward C. Shyloski Jr. His e-mail address is given as: shyloconsulting@gmail.com

If you read the article, I believe you will see that the basis of his thoughts is a concern that the engineering for the AP1000 plants under construction here in the US is too low. I certainly would agree that this is, (or could be), a major problem. However I am completely baffled as to how that is possible if the AP1000 Sanmen plant is to go into operation this year. How could that "standard" plant be completely engineered and ours here in the US not be?

(Now on the "non-standard/custom" designed plants we used to build in the US, we, (on the Pennsylvania job), would threaten the engineer/architect with financial back charges for an ironworker crew waiting for released reinforcing steel drawings and material. This tactic would periodically, (at least), work, and was necessary since the engineering was not all done when it was needed for the on-site staffing.)

Thank you,

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