

## UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20555

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Summary of Meeting with
Rod Nordland and
Tom Masland
Reporters for the Philadelphia Inquirer
September 11, 1979
2:45 - 4:00 p.m.

Rod Nordland coordinated and wrote portions of the April 16 Philadelphia Inquirer article on the rush to complete TMI-2.

Company (Met Ed) had posted notice that employees could not talk to reporters and would be subject to subpoena if they did. Similar notice appeared in Trailer City news.

Reporters' approach was to send mailgrams to people identified from license plates on cars at TMI site.

Long time workers for Met Ed felt workmanship and procedures were sloppy.

Nordland had impression that the welding incident reported to NRC was not aggressively pursued. Not clear what happened to welder.

Workers felt that Met Ed changed when it became a subsidiary of General Public Utilities; Met Ed was now in control of bottom line men.

Workers were unaware generally of GPU or GPUSC in terms of being originators of pressure to complete the unit.

There were numerous complaints about construction safety and personnel practices. The attitude of Company was that its cheaper to hire a small work force and work overtime than to hire an adequate workforce.

Quote in story about shortcuts attributed to Herbein was characteristic of comments about Herbein.

Norm Reismiller now lives in trailer park near Congress Inn. He was in mechanical maintenance and was former union president.

From LM12 from U.S. Labor Dept. lists all union officers and addresses.

Another edition of story contained additional paragraphs on faked tests on TMI-2.

Bob Frump was key reporter on incentives part of story.

Post and present union officials and mechanical and electrical maintenance people are probably best sources.

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