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MR. BEVILL: Please describe and justify your position to double the number of resident inspectors.

CHAIRMAN CARR:

NRC is not doubling the number of resident inspectors. We are implementing a program whereby the total number of resident inspectors at a given site will equal the number of reactors at that site plus one. This program, called "N+1", involves modest growth in FY 1991, +5 Resident Inspectors, and is expected to be fully implemented by FY 1992. Full implementation will result in the total complement of resident inspectors increasing by approximately 20% over the period FY 1989 - FY 1992. This increase, however, has been offset by reductions in region-based inspectors in order to obtain better utilization of inspection resources and to provide a pool of technical expertise in plant operations as one of several sources from which to fill supervisory and management ranks in the Commission. Additional resident inspectors on-site increase the likelihood of discovering areas that require corrective actions and enhance NRC's capability to effectively monitor licensee performance.

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