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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:	Matter of:						
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(Waterford Steam Electric Unit 3)	Station,)						

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PROCEEDINGS

9:06 a.m.

JUDGE WOLFE: All right. We're now in session.

Would your witness resume the stand, Mr. Churchill -- Dr. Mileti? Or is that the order of business this morning?

MR. CHURCHILL: I think that is the first order of business.

JUDGE WOLFE: All right.

MR. GROESCH: Your Honor, I have one order of business that I would -- that was begun yesterday.

THE REPORTER: Sorry, Mr. Groesch, would you speak into your microphone.

MR. GROESCH: I'm sorry.

I have one order of business that I would like to take care of before we get into the cross-examination of Dr. Mileti; and that is the motion to have the parties disqualify themselves for -- to recuse themselves for --

JUDGE WOLFE: The parties you say?

MR. GROESCH: I'm sorry. Not the parties, but to have the Licensing Board recuse themselves for actions throughout this hearing that have been prejudicial to the case of the Joint Intervenors.

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JUDGE WOLFE: You raised the motion yester-day --

MR. GROESCH: Yes.

JUDGE WOLFE: -- and I denied it. Now you're reraising it again, Mr. Groesch?

MR. GROESCH: The motion was denied yester-day; is that correct?

JUDGE WOLFE: That is correct.

And I told you that I was denying it because you had not complied with the requirements of a section of our regulations that I gave to you yesterday; and you said you would look at that portion of 10 CFR that I cited to you.

I'll cite it to you once again.

MR. GROESCH: Yes. It's -- I believe it's 2.704, Subpart (c).

JUDGE WOLFE: All right.

MR. GROESCH: Yes. I have looked at it last night. I see where the Board requires an affidavit for a motion of this type. I was not able to secure an affidavit for the hearing this morning.

What I would like to do is to use not only
2.704, Subpart (c), but I would also like to use as my
grounds for recusal the Constitution of the United States,
Fifth Amendment due process clause.

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JUDG WOLFE: Well, before we get into that, whatever else you may rely on, you certainly can't rely on 2.704. There are no affidavits, no written motion before this Board.

And you're rearguing now -- and adding the Constitution of the United States to an argument that you made yesterday, and which I denied -- the Board denied?

MR. GRCESCH: Yes, Your Honor, I am rearguing this.

JUDGE WOLFE: Well, I won't hear anything on 2.704(c). You haven't complied with the requirements, so I won't hear any argument on that.

MR. GROESCH: All right. Then we will use -JUDGE WOLFE: Make your other argument brief.

MR. GROESCH: The other argument which is under the United States Constitution, the Fifth Amendment, the due process clause, the -- when the liberty and property of peoples are put in jeopardy by actions of prejudicial jurors -- jurists, that the parties can ask that these prejudiced judges can recuse themselves.

Now I'm using as my grounds for this the following broad categories, and I understand that we are under a time constraint in these hearings. What I would like to do is this: I would like to read about 15

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broad categories, and in order to facilitate things I would like to submit an affidavit to the Board due ten days after these hearings that would be included in the record, that would state in full the bases of this motion.

JUDGE WOLFE: I take it you're requesting leave -- you don't need leave of the Board to file such a motion supported by an affidavit or affidavits. I think it calls for affidavits.

MR. GROESCH: Well, what I would ask is that this affidavit be included in this trial record. Otherwise, I would be forced to include the entire brief that would show the prejudice of the Board. It would take a lot of time.

I understand that we are under a time constraint. Therefore, it would, I believe, not be unnecessarily burdensome to keep the record open for that.

JUDGE WOLFE: Well, the record need not be kept open for that. If you wish, pursuant to 2.704(c), you may file such a motion supported by affidavits setting forth the alleged grounds for disqualification.

I'm reading directly from 2.704(c). "If the Presiding Officer does not grant the motion, or the Board member does not disqualify himself, the motion shall be referred to the Commission or the Atomic Safety and

Licensing Appeal Board, as appropriate, which will determine the sufficiency of the grounds alleged." The record need not be kept open for that purpose. You may file such a motion, and the Board -- that this Board -- if the Board denies it, then it's referred to the Appeal Board.

MR. GROESCH: All right. Well, I'm ready to begin to name the broad grounds --

JUDGE WOLFE: Well, I don't think that's necessary at this point, Mr. Groesch. You can put that in your motion.

MR. GROESCH: Well, I would like to begin to name the broad grounds --

JUDGE WOLFE: I'm not going to rule again on the motion for disqualification, that it does not comply with Section 2.704(c). You're wasting everyone's time in setting forth those reasons, or whatever grounds you have.

Those grounds can be set forth in your motion.

MR. GROESCH: Are you, therefore, ordering

me not to set forth my motions to show prejudice of this

Licensing Board, even --

JUDGE WOLFE: It will --

MR. GROESCH: -- though I'm using as my grounds for this the Constitution, Fifth Amendment, due

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process clause? Are you ordering me not to do this?

JUDGE WOLFE: I'm directing that you not -- in compliance with Section 2.704(c), submit your motion and all your grounds, and the Board will rule on it at that time.

MR. GROESCH: All right, Your Honor, we'll comply with this.

We are ready to begin the cross-examination of the rebuttal witness of the Applicant.

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JUDGE WOLFE: All right. Proceed.

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the witness on the stand at the time of the evening adjournment, resumed the stand as a witness by and on behalf of the Applicant and, having been previously duly sworn by the Administrative Judge, was examined and testified further as follows:

CROSS-EXAMINATION

BY MR. GROESCH:

Q. Dr. Mileti, good morning.

A. Good morning.

JUDGE WOLFE: I would note for the record that Mr. Fontana is appearing in the courtroom today.

All right.

MR. FONTANA: Just for the record, I still request a broad request that I be able to leave whenever I'd like to.

JUDGE WOLFE: Would note that at the times you are leaving, please. Note it on the record.

MR. FONTANA: Okay.

JUDGE WOLFE: All right. You had something,

Mr. Churchill?

MR. CHURCHILL: I'm sorry?

JUDGE WOLFE: I thought you were going to say

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something to the Board.

MR. CHURCHILL: No, sir.

JUDGE WOLFE: All right. Go ahead.

BY MR. GROESCH:

Q Dr. Mileti, yesterday you mentioned in your rebuttal testimony the concept of symbolic interaction. Could you define that?

A. Symbolic interactionism is a theoretical perspective in the field of social psychology within sociology. Its basic premise is that people's behavior is largely dependent on what they perceive reality to be when they're about to engage in the behavior.

Q Dr. Mileti, do you draw on the works of Herbert Bloomer?

A. I am familiar with the works of Herbert

Bloomer, as well as the works on which his formulization

of symbolic interactionism is based, For example, the

works of George Herbert Heade and others.

Q How does the work of -- I suppose it's Dr.

Bloomer -- guide you in the area of symbolic logic -- or

I'm sorry -- symbolic interaction?

A. His was an early formulization of that theoretical approach, and so his basic ideas about human behavior being explained from that point of view or theory permeate much of the ideas that exist today about

how it is that people's perceptions of reality affects their behavior.

Q What is the relation between symbolic interaction and reality construction?

A. I don't know what you mean by "reality construction."

Q That is not a term that you work with as a professional sociologist?

A. I have not used that term, no.

Q In your work, do you define specifically the word "situation"? Is that a technical term to you, if someone were talking about situations in symbolic interaction?

A. The situation might be the context in which a person finds themselves, and it's comprised of a variety of different things, for example, what they see and observe, what they hear, and other things in their social context.

Q Would you say that a situation is -- You said that they draw on things that they see, they hear.

Do you think that a situation then would be constructed by perceptions?

A. Different people would define and interpret the situation that they're in in different ways and perceive different personal realities in that situation.

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Dr. Mileti, are you familiar with the term 0. "emergent norm"?

Yes, I am.

Could you define how the term "emergent norm" is used in your work?

MR. CHURCHILL: Your Honor, I'd object. is improper cross-examination. If he's trying to voir dire the witness to determine whether he knows the definition of words, he's beyond that point.

JUDGE WOLFE: Are you laying a foundation? MR. GROESCH: Yes. I'm laying a foundation of -- that's beyond voir dire. You know, the witness, we believe, is -- you know -- expert. So we're not trying to find out whether or not he's an expert or not.

JUDGE WOLFE: All right. Objection overruled.

THE WITNESS: The notion of emergent norm is one that is used to help characterize how it is that people behave the way they do in emergencies. By definition, emergencies are breaks in the routine of social life.

When an emergency occurs, it turns out that norms, which typically determine or guide behavior, which I might add is the basis for the existence of the discipline of sociology, change.

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We find, for example, that priorities shift in a community, and things like manufacture and production and norms about manufacturing, for example, tables, are suspended and receive lower priority than any other shifts and changes in norms.

What has been observed in those who have studied empirical observations of emergencies is that new norms come into being, by and large, that determine people's behavior.

And, interestingly, those new norms characterize all emergencies. And people in one particular community are often surprised at how their community responds in the emergency, because it's unfamiliar to them -- the norms that determine behavior.

However, those norms pop up in different emergency contexts. And it's on that basis, because of those pattern changes in norms and emergent norms, that conclusions can be made about how people, in fact, deal with and respond to emergencies.

	Q.	Is it	a	good	idea,	in	your	opinion,	to	establis
an	emergent	norm	in	an e	mergen	су	situat	tion?		

A. I don't think that we have a choice about emergent norms occurring in emergency situations.

In fact, the idea that they recur time and time again and that we have some good idea about what they are is then a good basis for emergency planning, in that we have some solid evidence about how people behave in emergencies, and we can take that behavior into account when drafting emergency plans.

- Q. In your opinion is it a good idea to let these types of norms generate themselves by chance?
- A. Again, we don't have a choice about how these norms emerge or don't emerge. They are a natural tendency when human beings live in groups.

However, we can take appropriate steps through emergency preparedness to take advantage of some of the patterns that we know about, some of the emergent norms that we know about.

For example, one of the emergent norms we know occurs in a warning information situation time and time again, is that people need to have the emergency information that they receive confirmed for themselves.

It's a norm that people seek additional information. Therefore, by devising public information

systems at the time of an emergency in such a way that people can readily and quickly get that confirmation that they need we can help guarantee that they will form appropriate perceptions of danger and maximize the odds that they will behave appropriately.

There are other examples.

Q So in your opinion, the people in St. John and St. Charles Parish have already established a norm of turning on their radio and television station when they hear a siren; is that correct?

A. No, that is not correct. In my opinion, what I would say is that were there an emergency in some part of Louisiana because people live in that part of Louisiana, and the natural tendency of people is to seek additional information, that people in Louisiana in that emergency would seek additional information.

That emergent norm does not exist today, but I would predict that it would exist in that future emergency.

- Q. Do you know of any works that have quantified this tendency of people in St. John and St. Charles Parish to go to this norm of behavior in an emergency situation?
 - A. No, I do not.
 - Q. Is this norm of behavior of turning on -- or

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to get confirmation of situations from a communications system of some sort, this is, you think, a universal --

It's been found in every emergency that's ever been researched where people have looked to see if that's indeed what happened, and those emergencies have been diverse enough to suggest that it indeed will happen in all future emergencies.

Now, some people seeking information of this sort, confirmation information, could they, for instance, use their telephone?

People, when they are seeking confirmation, receive information that helps them confirm the threat information they are getting at the time in a variety of ways.

It is possible that someone would turn on the radio. It's possible that someone would turn on the television.

It is also possible that someone would turn to the telephone.

Is it possible that people would, for instance, go outside and knock on their neighbor's door and say, "Do you know what's happening?"

Sir, in reference to human behavior, if you can think it up, it's possible for a person to indeed perform it.

So yes, indeed, it is possible that someone would do that. Yes.

Q. I would be talking here about a significant percentage of the population, not just one person.

Do you have any kind of percentage breakdown of a population in a modern society that would turn on their radio to get confirmation in an emergency situation?

A. I have no percentages or distributions that would describe that. However, in my opinion, I can say that it's very difficult to get people in an emergency to stop them doing what they are doing and to do something else.

So in terms of seeking information, people would most likely turn to the easiest way to get additional information.

For example, turning to a TV would be easier than getting up off the couch to walk outside to knock on a neighbor's door.

It's likely that their first attempt to seek additional information, therefore, would be to turn to the most easiest source of additional information, which in most American homes is the media.

Q. Now, I might be wrong in this, but it would seem to me that someone in your situation who would be testing the reaction of people after -- or during an

emergency. You would be testing them after the emergency happened, but you would be asking them questions about what you did during emergencies.

That's what you do pretty much?

A. That's one research design. There certainly are many others, which include looking at actual behavior when it goes on.

Indeed, the best way to study actual behavior is to observe actual behavior.

Sociologists, however, often also ask people about their future behavior, and also ask people about their past behavior.

Q Yes, I understand all this, but what I'm saying is it would seem to me a very easy question in a brochure that you -- maybe I shouldn't use the term "brochure" in these hearings, but if you are asking a thousand people what they did when they felt the earthquake, "Did you turn the radio on?" it would seem to me a very simple question to ask and, therefore, a simple percentage to get that kind of information, and that type of information is not available; is that your testimony?

A. I'm sure that it might be available in some researcher's data file somewhere, but I don't know that that would do anything more than describe how people recalled what they did in that particular disaster or

emergency.

I don't know, in other words, that a general percent distribution has ever been written down as the common thread to be found in all emergencies.

anywhere in the country, you would think that they would do three major things: They would turn on the radio, turn on the television, or use the telephone?

A. No. I don't think a person would do all three of those things at first at all.

I think the first thing a person is most likely to do were they to hear a siren is turn to one source of additional information, and it probably would most likely be a source of additional information that required a passive behavior on their part.

For example, turning to the media where they didn't have to do as much work as it takes to be aggressive about using the telephone.

Again, however, I'm not saying that some people would not use the telephone.

Q. Doctor, I think you are a scientist. I think you are a pretty good scientist, but you are telling me that you don't have a really good grasp on the number of people in modern technological society who would turn on the radio, given a population size?

I have a pretty good idea or opinion about what most people would do, but it would be difficult for me to express in percentages what I meant by the word "most."

- Q. Are you familiar with the safety information brochure, Applicant Exhibit 13?
 - A. Yes, I am.
- Q. Do you know where it says, "Don't use the phone"? I know it says it somewhere in here.

It's the third line, what they are saying the summary column is, "What To Do If You Hear the Outdoor Girens."

Do you think that that will do any good to have a line such as this in this brochure?

MR. CHURCHILL: Your Honor, may we show the witness a brochure. He doesn't seem to have one up there with him.

MR. GROESCH: Oh, I'm sorry.

JUDGE WOLFE: Yes.

JUDGE JORDAN: Mr. Groesch, there is another place where it also says, "Don't use the phone."

MR. GROESCH: It doesn't jump out at you.

JURDGE JORDAN: It is on the four panels, the second panel halfway down, has one paragraph devoted to that topic.

THE WITNESS: I've seen both places now.

In my opinion, this brochure does not provide a motivation for future behavior. It's providing information.

It's my opinion that were a person to turn to the telephone in an emergency, for whatever reason might occur at the time, that this brochure likely would not stop them from doing that.

However, there may be a person or two who happens to remember this information and not use the phone because of it.

BY MR. GROESCH:

- Q. This would be basically inconsequential to the total community action, in your opinion?
 - A. I have no idea what portion it would be.
- Q You're saying an individual or two, so it wouldn't make a great deal of difference statistically?
- A. If a person were turning to the telephone, statistically I don't think the brochure would keep them

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from turning to the telephone.

Q Doctor. you've been involved in the TMI restart hearing; is that correct?

- A. That hearing has not begun.
- Q I see.

and probably we should try to straighten it out now.

The restart hearings before the Licensing Board did begin some two years ago and was completed. There is now other proceedings, I guess, that you mentioned going on before the Supreme Court, perhaps. So I'm not sure what you had in mind, or what Mr. Groesch had in mind when he said the restart hearings for TMI.

THE WITNESS: I beg your pardon. Let me clarify what I meant.

Were I to be involved in any TMI restart hearings, my involvement has not begun yet. Certainly those hearings have begun.

BY MR. GROESCH:

- Q. What percentage of the population around the reactor at Three Mile Island turned to their telephone as a first source of communication?
 - A. I don't know.
- Q How many people -- What percentage of the population around the reactor at Three Mile Island at the

A. I imagine that's a possibility for role playing, yes.

Q Can you act out -- In role playing can you act out doubts and feelings and also act out how you would respond to those doubts and feelings?

A. I'm sure that it's possible to engage in any behavior in role playing.

Q Does role playing help in establishing emergent norms in society?

A. I imagine it can in some regards, and it can't in other regards and situations. For example, I know that role playing for emergencies -- officials or people that have emergency roles in organizations, for example, is part of preparedness exercises. It's very important for emergency officials to have a clear idea of their roles in emergencies prior to the emergency.

Q. These officials that it would be good for this to do, how far down the ladder do you think it would be good to do this? Let me kind of clarify.

In some of these areas they have volunteer firemen and people who are not professionals. Do you think people who are not professionals should be involved in emergency exercises as a role playing technique?

A. What's important is that emergency workers have a clear idea of what their emergency role is; that

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need not come from role playing. It can come from other places.

For example, firemen, who in an emergency would be asked to put out fires, already have a clear idea of how one goes about putting out fires.

Q These emergency workers for whom it would be good to engage in role playing, do they have -- these workers have a number of options during the course of a disaster that they would have to go through? In other words, let me see if I can clarify this.

Do emergency workers in -- Just a moment.

Let me clarify this.

Why, in your opinion, is it good for emergency workers, but not for the population in general?

MR. CHURCHILL: Objection, Your Honor. This question does not -- This line of questioning from the last few questions does not relate to this witness' direct testimony.

MR. GROESCH: This witness is a rebuttal witness.

MR. CHURCHILL: It does not relate to this witness' rebuttal testimony.

MR. GROESCH: I think it -- I believe that this witness has said that practice evacuations for populations are not productive. I believe that's his

testimony.

MR. CHURCHILL: Your Honor, we heard no indication of practice evacuations in any of his questions.

JUDGE WOLFE: It's my recollection that there was an allusion by this witness to that very question.

MR. CHURCHILL: I'm sorry, Your Honor. In Mr. Groesch's questions, he hasn't mentioned practice evacuations.

JUDGE WOLFE: In Mr. Groesch's question?

MR. CHURCHILL: Yes, sir. The question that

I'm objecting to perhaps it relates to practice evacuations, but I don't know that. He hasn't indicated that.

JUDGE WOLFE: Do you understand the question,

Doctor?

THE WITNESS: Yes.

JUDGE WOLFE: Objection overruled. Answer the question.

THE WITNESS: In my opinion, it would be unproductive for the public to be subjected to a practice evacuation for several reasons.

Persons who need to have a clear idea of their roles so that they can perform their emergency jobs might gain something from being subjected to training. It would help them have a better idea about what their emergency job is, especially if their emergency job has less

than perfect correlation with their everyday job.

For the public, however -- and in helping the public define the role of, for example, an evacuee or a person who shelters, or a person who's to seek additional information, we're not talking about them engaging in actual emergency response in the sense that they're fulfilling a job with duties.

A practice evacuation would lead people to form ideas about what that emergency might be, in the absence of many of the significant real-world factors that would comprise that particular emergency.

In other words, it would be artificial. I doubt that there would be a semblance of what the significant factors are during a real emergency, and on that basis could lead them to make conclusions about what are appropriate behaviors for some future unspecified emergency prematurely.

BY MR. GROESCH:

- Q. Wouldn't -- let's say the father of a family -have a role to play in evacuation very similar to the role
 that an emergency worker would have for society at
 large?
 - A. Fathers already know the role of father.
- Q. Fathers already know the role of father? Is that your testimony?

A. Yes, I believe that's what I said.

Q You're saying that your studies indicate that fathers in emergency situations always act as fathers; is that correct?

A. No, I didn't say that. I said people are fathers today, tomorrow and in the future are familiar with what being a father means.

Q. Do you know how many families exist in St. John and St. Charles Parishes who don't have fathers?

A. No, I do not.

Q Do you think that the mother of a family that would be without a father would have the same -- would not have to go through a role playing in order to assess -- in order to more -- to better carry out her role in an evacuation?

A. If she were a member of an evacuation organization -- excuse me -- an emergency organization, it would be good that she was familiar with her duties in an emergency organization.

I don't think that one would need to rehearse a mother on how to be a mother. One is a mother when there isn't an emergency, and one continues to be a mother in an emergency.

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time of the accident turned on the radio?

A. I don't recall those figures, and I'm not sure that they even exist. That doesn't mean that they might not. It has been a year or two since I looked at most of the major studies that would have contained that sort of information, if it exists.

Q. The answer would be the same then for television?

A. Sir, I'm not sure that that was a question that was researched.

Q Dr. Mileti, do you think that it would -- in your research are you involved in role playing?

A. No, I am not.

JUDGE WOLFE: It would be helpful to me certainly if you would explain what role playing is.

THE WITNESS: To my way of thinking, role playing is the acting out of the aspects of behavior that are associated with a role.

For example, when children pretend to be doctors and nurses, they're role playing a role of being a doctor or a nurse.

BY MR. GROESCH:

Q Doctor, does role playing -- In role playing could you or could anyone also act out doubts or feelings of inadequacy in handling a situation?

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Q Does your studies indicate that males and females adopt different roles during emergency situations?

A. Males and females play many different roles, and in this society in non-emergency situations they are typically different and sometimes in emergency situations they can be different, but they can also be the same.

What is significant is how people are behaving and if one is talking about an evacuee, for example, women and men can play the identical -- behave in the same way when they are evacuating.

Q. Women and men behave in the same way when evacuating; is that your testimony?

MR. CHURCHILL: Your Honor, I have an objection to this line as well. I don't see how it relates to this witness' testimony.

MR. GROESCH: Your Honor, I don't necessarily -the fact that my line of questioning is not directly
telegraphed to Mr. Churchill or is directly telegraphed
even to the Board is not necessarily a fault.

I mean, if I'm going somewhere with this, that's fine. If his answers throw off where I'm going, then we'll just have to let it drop.

But I don't necessarily think it is encumbent upon the cross-examiner to tell everyone in the courtroom exactly where I'm going with this.

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JUDGE WOLFE: Objection overruled. the question.

You may proceed, Mr. Groesch.

BY MR. GROESCH:

Q. Your testimony is that a man or a woman reacts in the same way as a father or mother in protecting a family in evacuation situations?

A. No, sir, I didn't say that. I was saying that a woman can get in a car and drive from one place to another during an evacuation in the same way that a man can get in a car and drive from one place to another in an evacuation, be that man or woman single or married, with or without children; that that behavior, the act of evacuating has happened successfully in this nation many times, regardless of people's sex.

Q. Do you think that in normal life, everyday life, that men and women have different feelings of adequacy or the ability to cope with situations?

Isn't it provable psychological, although I don't have numbers at my fingertips, that, say, men feel more in control of situations than women do in most instances?

A. Indeed, sir, men and women are different and that does affect their behavior.

Traditionally, this results from the fact that

this society socializes, that is, teaches men and women to be different.

So your testimony is that although society teaches them to be different, that emergency situations standardize any of those differences and allow either a man or a woman who would be in a position of having to drive out children to make them equally capable of doing that job?

A. Both of them are capable of doing that job and have done that job.

What you are suggesting, I think, is that one would have to convince men and women differently in order to get them to both do that job.

Q. No, that's not what I am suggesting.

JUDGE WOLFE: We are trying to tie down -This line of questioning should be tied down to the
adequacy of the brochure in this respect, Mr. Groesch.
BY MR. GROESCH:

- Q. In emergency situations, do sometimes ambiguities develop about what there is to do?
- A. Unfortunately, yes, and that's the whole reason for having emergency preparedness plans to try to reduce ambiguity about what people should do in an emergency.
 - Q. Your testimony is that emergency preparedness

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plans up to a certain point are good, and then beyond that they can be counterproductive, at least for the general population?

I would say that exactly. Indeed, not only for the general public, but also for emergency workers.

Emergency planning is a reasonable task to engage in up to a point and then it becomes counterproductive.

For example, if you'll forgive me becoming a bit colorful, I think Dwight Eisenhower said, "Plans are irrelevant, but planning is essential," and what he was suggesting that if we make our plans too specific and allow for too little flexibility during an emergency, they can indeed be counterproductive.

So yes, planning is good within limits.

Are you familiar with -- You are familiar with the brochure.

Could you turn to the inside page?

- Which one? A.
- The one with the map on it. 0.

The chart seems to me to be very specific about what to do in the case of an evacuation.

Don't you think this is too much detail for the general population?

MR. CHURCHILL: Your Honor, I object to this

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question as being outside the scope of this witness' testimony.

This seems to be a followup on the line that started with the last question, and the line is in fact outside the scope of his testimony.

MR. GROESCH: Your Honor, I am just trying to get an understanding from this witness about how much detail that he thinks is necessary.

If in fact he thinks that this much detail is not counterproductive for the general population that this brochure is going out to, okay, then let him say so, and then we'll find out what the basis for that is.

MR. CHURCHILL: He did not testify, Your Honor, he did not testify on the amount of map detail that should or should not be in this brochure.

JUDGE WOLFE: I think the witness' testimony on rebuttal opens up this line of questioning.

Objection overruled.

THE WITNESS: Sir, I am not an expert on readability and, therefore, can't offer expert opinion on the readability of this map.

I feel good about --

JUDGE WOLFE: I don't think Mr. Groesch is speaking to readability, Doctor, if you'll excuse me for breaking in. Mr. Groesch.

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I think he is speaking to is there too much planning and detail now in this chart below the map, and doesn't that, as you say, defeat its purpose in being overly detailed, over-planned. Is that your question?

MR. GROESCH: Yes, that's where I was going.

JUDGE WOLFE: All right.

THE WITNESS: Let me say that when I was talking about too much detailing in planning being counterproductive, I was speaking in reference to the roles of people who would help guide or direct the emergency.

these 38 possible future contingencies, this is what people should do, that would create too much confidence in the people who have an emergency role to play, that all possible contingencies were indeed covered.

Actual events rarely reflect the scenarios that we draft into planning, and that kind of level of specificity is unwarranted and counter-productive.

I'm not sure and can't offer a judgment about whether this is too specific for the public to understand.

I am sure that there are some folks in the public for whom this would be too specific. There must be.

And I am sure that there are some folks in the public for whom this would not be too much specifics.

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Well, if, for instance, the emergency planners Q. had come in here and said that there are two or three ways to get out of this area, but we are going to put one down in our brochure, would not that be a mistake?

I don't know. That would be based on what's the appropriate and most logical way to get the inhabitants out of the area during an evacuation and what should be significant and addressed in the plans to accompany those transportation routes is designs to get the proper information out to the public at the time to indeed have that happen.

My question is this; maybe I'm not expressing it well, but it seems to me that if the emergency planners would have to change their directions in getting people out of this community, then it would be a mistake to put down one direction on the map because would not that make people follow that norm?

Would not this establish a norm, and, therefore, if the emergency planners, because of wind conditions or whatever, have to change direction, that this map would get in the way; is not that your testimony?

MR. CHURCHILL: Your Honor, we seem to be relitigating the plan that is clearly outside the scope of this hearing.

JUDGE WOLFE: That is correct. We have already

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made our finding on evacuation.

I will sustain an objection to that question. We are here only to determine the adequacy of the brochure, Mr. Groesch.

MR. GROESCH: Yes. Well, my -- maybe I should ask the question again, and then I could reargue it.

BY MR. GROESCH:

Q. Is it not your testimony that if you give people one thing to do in an emergency situation and make them good at that, that the reason you don't want to do that is because another situation, an emergency, which would have different parameters, would be -- the norms that you developed in practicing would therefore be applied in a wrong way.

MR. CHURCHILL: Your Honor, I have to object to this line of questioning. I think what he's leading to is to try to get this witness -- or he's trying to make a point that perhaps the arrows shouldn't be on this map or should be somewhere differently.

This witness has not in his direct rebuttal testimony offered any information about the consistency or inconsistency of this map or this brochure with the plan.

He's attempting to use this witness on crossexamination to raise a new issue which we have never even
heard of before in this hearing.

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MR. GROESCF: I don't believe I am trying to do that. I am trying to get a specific example from this witness about this chart. I am not questioning the plan. I know that there's primarily one way to evacuate, and there's testimony that says that there could be other ways to evacuate in changing conditions.

what I'm saying is let's take this witness' rebuttal testimony and apply it to this situation and say, "Are we being too specific? Are we establishing a norm of behavior that could be counterproductive?"

I'm just -- That's all I'm doing is applying his testimony to this brochure, not challenging the plan.

MR. CASSIDY: Your Honor, if I might, I think in the terms that Mr. Groesch has couched his question that's before the witness, that it is a proper question.

(Bench conference.)

JUDGE WOLFE: Objection overruled.

Do you remember the question, Doctor?

THE WITNESS: No, I don't.

(The question was read by the reporter as follows: "Is it not your testimony that if you give people one thing to do in an emergency situation and make them good at that, that the reason you don't want to do that is because another situation, an emergency, which would have different

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parameters, would be -- the norms that you developed in practicing would therefore be applied in a wrong way?")

THE WITNESS: Let me restate that question so I think I know what it is I'm answering. If you're asking if you instill in people's minds a set way of behaving prior to a particular event and that in a future event, that way of behaving is inappropriate, could your first attempts at instilling in them ways of behaving be inappropriate and counterproductive?

MR. GROESCH: Sure.

THE WITNESS: The answer is indeed yes.

BY MR. GROESCH:

Q So, therefore, we're asking people, when we give them this brochure, we tell them to locate the evacuation routes for your section, locate the section you live in, locate your reception center, locate your pickup points, locate your children's reception center; and then we have them try an example.

Is that not establishing a method of behavior prior to the event?

- A. It's suggesting a method of behavior.
- Q. Yes.
- A. As I've said, it's not -- This brochure would not be the motivation for behavior. That would largely be situational.
- Q. But it is suggesting very strongly, in my opinion, a very direct and positive thing to do?
 - A. Yes, indeed.
- Q. And, therefore, in this hearing, which we've litigated the plan before and this Board has found that the plan is adequate, primarily this method will be the main way out of this parish, but there is in the record very strong indications of other means of evacuation that could be utilized.

MR. CHURCHLL: Objection. This -- Your Monor, this is what I said before. He's challenging the

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plan. The brochure has to reflect the plan, and it does reflect the plan.

MR. GROESCH: I am not challenging the plan whatsoever. I am challenging the fact that the plan has different methods of evacuating. It is in your partial initial decision that there is one primary method of evacuating, which is in here.

What I'm saying is that this witness' testimony shows very strongly that it is a mistake to establish a norm of behavior.

JUDGE WOLFE: Well, at most, all I've heard is Mr. Groesch's arguments and conclusions. I haven't heard a question. What you're saying is not persuasive to the Board one way or another. Address anything you have to say -- or your questions to the witness.

There is no question outstanding.

MR. GROESCH: I thought there was an objection outstanding.

JUDGE WOLFE: Well, what is your question?

MR. GROESCH: Am I wrong, that Mr. Churchill

JUDGE WOLFE: No. all that Mr. Churchill was doing was responding to your argument and saying, "Well, this was what he was concerned about, where you were going."

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here's no question before the --

MR. GROESCH: Oh, I see. There was no objection. I'm sorry.

MR. FONTANA: While there's a pause, I would like to be excused.

JUDGE WOLFE: All right, Mr. Fontana.

(Mr. Fontana was excused.)

BY MR. GROESCH:

Q Dr. Mileti, is it a mistake in an evacuation brochure to specifically and strongly identify one method of evacuation in an area in which other methods could -- are available and are also in the plan, although not in the brochure?

A. No, I don't believe it is. However, if the method of evacuation identified in the brochure is inappropriate in a future emergency, very careful attention would have to be paid to explaining that, what was designed in this map because some folks may still have it, and make reference to it -- is inappropriate, and that the recommendations for how they should evacate are being changed.

It would put a great deal of importance on the emergency information system at the time. One of the nemesis -- excuse my mispronouncing -- mispronunciation of that -- of emergency situation is public confusion.

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Q Let me see if I understand your testimony because I think I've even forgotten my question. But your testimony is that it would be a bad idea to put one plan in if there are other plans?

- A. I don't recall saying that.
- Q. Then it would not be a bad idea?
- A. I think it's a good idea for an evacuation brochure to identify how the people who are reading the brochure might evacuate. What I said was should the circumstances change in the future, and in the actual emergency, if there is one, that evacuation route has to be changed, it's going to put a great deal of importance on the information at the time it goes to the public, so that they don't become confused.
 - Q. Yes, I think they might be confused.

Now in order to allay this kind of confusion in a plan -- a hypothetical plan, let's take it, so that we don't have to be too specific here -- in a hypothetical plan that has one or more methods of evacuating and a brochure that has one plan -- one method of evacuating in the brochure, but there is more than one method in the entire plan, would not -- how would you allay the confusion that would be generated in a real emergency if the situation was such that the plan that was not in the brochure was the one that had to be carried out?

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How could you allay that anxiety that would be apparent during the emergency, before the fact, to help people to cope with a situation that could very possibly change?

A. I think you've asked me several questions.

Was one how can you delay anxiety about confusion in the future emergency before the emergency occurs?

Q Yes.

A. I don't believe that one could. I think that the key determinant -- in fact, I know the key determinant to the public being confused or stressed cr anxiety-ridden, and more importantly, in determining their behavior in an emergency, is the situational perceptions of risk and the situational perceptions they have about what they think they should do at the time.

Now, in explaining that, one has to take into account the most essential factor that alters what people perceive at the time; and that is the information that they receive at the time.

Relatively speaking, the effect of prior public education has much smaller effect than the information that they receive at the time. Therefore, beforehand, if I were concerned about emergency situations when people might be anxiety-ridden or stressed, I would devote attention to designing and taking steps to make sure that

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it could be implemented well, a good public emergency information system to be used at the time of the emergency.

JUDGE WOLFE: Doctor, you said you saw several questions in the one question. Had you finished or not?

THE WITNESS: I've forgotten what the others might have been.

MR. GROESCH: I think that's all right.

BY MR. GROESCH:

Q So your testimony is that nothing that you could do beforehand would allay this type of anxiety?

A. My testimony is that any effort to try to allay that anxiety or whatever it is that we're talking about are much better placed if we're really concerned about having people behave appropriately in an emergency in the emergency information system, because regardless of what we do beforehand, if we don't have a sound emergency information system, the public will not respond appropriately.

And regardless of what we do or don't do beforehand, if we have a sound public emergency information system, the public will likely behave appropriately.

MR. GROESCH: Your Honor, if I could take five minutes, I might be able to wrap up with this witness.

JUDGE WOLFE: All right. We'll have five minutes. Do you need more, Mr. Groesch?

MR. GROESCH: Ten minutes wouldn't be bad.

That way I can kind of organize myself.

JUDGE WOLFE: All right. Ten minutes.

(A short recess was taken.)

JUDGE WOLFE: All right, Mr. Groesch.

BY MR. GROESCH:

- Q Dr. Mileti, did your testimony deal in any way with getting people to use the brochure, to getting more people to use the brochure?
 - A. I don't believe that it did.
- Q Is it your testimony that it is not -- Is it your testimony that brochure design is -- Let me start over.

Is it your testimony that brochures themselves have very little to do with how successful an evacuation is?

A. Pre-emergency public education, which would include pre-emergency brochures, has been shown to not have a significant effect on how people actually respond in an emergency.

The reason is because whatever knowledge people bring to an emergency situation, that becomes secondary in importance to the information and the knowledge they pick up during the emergency.

- Q. Not emergency workers, though?
- A. No, sir. For emergency workers it's very important to have beforehand clearly specified roles for them to do.
 - Q. You mentioned that at Three-Mile Island that

many people did not understand that the radiation was in the air; is that correct?

A. Many people at Three-Mile Island in terms of the public were confused about what the risk was. The uncertainty in their perception of the risk was a problem for the public.

Some of the people in the public thought that -or did not know what the risk actually was. They had
many misperceptions of risk.

Q But the specific example that you mentioned that ended up in the brochure was that the risk is in the air; is that correct?

A. My recommendation, yes, was to clearly specify that what the risk was was airborne.

JUDGE JORDAN: Is it then your opinion this is the type of pre-emergency information that really can be useful during an emergency?

THE WITNESS: It is among pre-emergency information that can be useful. What is important in terms of pre-emergency information is to give the public information that helps them be less confused during an emergency, and certainly included in that is what it is they are to fear in an emergency.

BY MR. GROESCH:

Q. Did the people who lived around Three-Mile

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Island, you said that they didn't know that the risk was in the air, but that they understood that there was a threat to their lives?

A. The perceptions that existed in the public around Three-Mile Island were not homogeneous. That is, many different people thought and perceived many different things.

Some of them, for example, I recall by talking to a few in a public hearing meeting, thought that the radiation, for example, was heavier than air and in their basements.

Q Did people understand that radiation threatened their lives, though? That's my question.

A. I did not talk to any people about whether or not they thought radiation threatened their lives or not.

I suspect that some did and I suspect that some didn't.

- Q. You asked the questions where the radiation is?
- A. No, sir, I didn't ask questions. I had several conversations in terms of my own personal experience.
 - Q. I see.
- A. And then I've read reports that others have done on research about perceptions of the public at Three-Mile Island.
 - Q. This perception that has been put into our

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brochure about the risk being in the air, is that scientifically established, that a very large portion of the population around Three-Mile Island believed that, and where would that be published?

There are several reports that have documented what people's perceptions in reference to the risks, as well as other factors, were at the time of Three-Mile Island.

In my opinion one of the best reports was prepared by a sociologist named Cynthia Flynn doing some research through Mountain West Research, Incorporated, I believe.

She is based in Seattle and she prepared a telephone survey that measured people's perceptions as well as other things at several time intervals after the accident.

That was prepared, I believe, for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and it has been distributed by her company.

There are others, however.

Your testimony, then, is that you don't recall whether or not the literature that you have surveyed about Three-Mile Island, or in your personal conversations with people in the area, whether or not a significant section of the -- a significant percentage

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of the population believed that radiation was a risk to their lives?

A. I don't recall precisely, no. However, I must guess that some of them certainly did.

They would have had to, but that's just a guess. I don't recall precisely what the precise measurements of perceptions were, and I'm sure the people who measured risk, and some did, that certainly would have come out.

Q. In your opinion, should a brochure that talks about or is concerned with the possibility of an accident at a powerplant have a clear explanation of the harm radiation can do to the human body?

A. In my opinion, it's extremely important that if what we are concerned with is having people behave appropriately in an emergency, that during an emergency they have a clear idea of precisely what the risk is.

In reference to how one goes about providing them that information, the best place to prepare for providing them that information is during the situation, because that's certainly when we know what the risk actually is.

In reference to the brochure, I think it's important that the brochure convey to them information about risk that's generically appropriate for their

knowledge in helping them respond well.

For example, that what there is to fear is airborne.

Q Isn't what it is to fear -- I know that you are not a nuclear scientist or even a health physicist, but there are certain somatic effects that come from radiation, like cancer or thyroid nodules or even acute doses that will give you radiation sickness. I mean, these are all things that happen to your body.

They are not simply the fear is in the air.

Don't you think that that would be a more

clear -- give people a more clear understanding of what

it is they are risking?

A. Sir, I believe if your goal were to provide people information about what radiation could do to the human body, that you would want to address what it is that radiation could do to the human body in much the same way that if we were designing the brochure for flood safety in the flood plains along the Mississippi River, we would want to describe how it is physiologically that human beings drown.

But I have not seen, for example, any flood brochures that describe that or tornado brochures that describe what wind can do to the body.

I underscore the need for people to have a good

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perception of risk at the time and what those risks are are best determined at the time.

Q Isn't there a great difference, though, Doctor, between what people's experiences with high wind or people's experiences with water and people's experiences with radiation, isn't there a tremendous difference in those?

A. Yes, indeed, and you don't have to have a Ph.D. in social science to conclude that a tornado is different. from a nuclear powerplant accident.

There's a great deal of difference between what people perceive in terms of what the physical aspects of each of those potential emergencies are.

However, within any one particular hazard, there are many people who have experienced it and have good knowledge about it and those who haven't experienced it and don't have good knowledge about it.

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- I have no idea. I would guess very few, but A. that's an unfounded quess.
- Yes. Do you think that a lot of people in this bayou area would have an experience with water or air?
- I'm sure they might, indeed, because water and air is common to life. However, water and air in their extremes, either extreme lack of water or lack of air, or oversupply of water or the speed at which air is traveling, few people have experience with.

For example, one of the biggest concerns in the National Weather Service today along the Florida coast is the hurricane hazard, and unlike we might suspect, most folks there have not experienced a hurricane.

One c iggest concerns in southern California in get ___ady for a great earthquake that's due is that few people correctly perceive what that earthquake can do to them.

Is there in those areas, are there information campaigns going on, pre-emergency campaigns in which there is an attempt to spell out the tremendous destructive potential of earthquakes or the unbelievable destructiveness

of hurricanes?

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- Q So the emergency officials in those areas think it is good enough to not educate the people on the hazards of these and just kind of plan around the hazard?
- A. No, sir, not at all. There are efforts going on in both California (that I know of for sure) and I would guess Florida (because I know the folks in charge of the Hurricane Center there) to explain to people what it is that they should do should an earthquake or a hurricane occur, and the kind of information that they will be getting at the time.
- Q. But not attempting to educate them prior to that event?
 - A. Yes, that is --
- Q. I mean, not educating them on what to do, but educating them on the destructive potential; that, in your opinion, is not a good thing to do?
- A. The physical destructive potential of an earthquake, for example --
 - Q. Yes.
- A. -- is unclear, because you could have one building survive an earthquake well and another one come

down.

So people aren't saying that all of Los Angeles will fall down in an earthquake.

People do reed to understand what the risk is so that they can understand why they need to do what they need to do in an emergency.

And especially in a radiation emergency because radiation is so unfamiliar to the population; is that not correct?

A. I do not believe that the radiation hazard is any more unfamiliar to people than the earthquake hazard or the flood hazard.

There are people who have good knowledge about what risks and hazards are in reference to all of them, some that have good knowledge only on a few, and most people lack knowledge on most, which only underscores the importance of giving that kind of information out to help people in emergency situations.

Q Other than the sentence in the brochure under the section "What Radiation Is," that says -- the second sentence in the second paragraph.

It says, "Sometimes you must be careful how much of this radiation enters your body," and then the next sentence says, "If the amount of radiation in the air is large, you must protect yourself from it."

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Do you think that that is sufficient information in a pre-emergency brochure to warn the population?

I understand you are not a health physicist, but there are certain generic things we can talk about.

I think that the amount of information in this brochure is adequate for what it's attempting to do.

I also think that one of the -- a major problem in correcting people's perceptions about what risk is is tending to overplay what threats are.

For example, in southern California a few folks perceive that what might happen in the next great earthquake is what they saw in the movie "Earthquake" where the whole city fell down.

That would make for inappropriate response during an earthquake, because indeed that won't happen.

By virtue of the fact that this brochure exists suggesting that an area needs to be evacuated suggests that there's a risk to life and that one would have to move in order to get to a safe area.

It's called safety information and evacuation brochure and the like.

Were we in this brochure to show the gambit, the full range, what exists and details of a curve, what the health effects (and this isn't my area, as you've said) might be, that might alter people's perception of

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what the risk is at the time and cause them to engage in the wrong behavior.

What is dramatically important that people perceive in the emergency what the risk is, and what the risk actually is in that emergency is defined by the emergency itself.

I can't underscore more importantly that during that emergency people should be provided the information that helps them understand what it is that there is to fear, why it is that they should respond the way they do, and how they should respond.

That is of vital importance.

To alter this brochure in such a way that would help or force people to misperceive what the risk is in an accident could have negative impacts.

I think the contents of the brochure in reference to radiation risk and in reference to priming people to prepare for dealing with the possible future emergency is more than adequate.

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BY MR. GROESCH:

Around Three Mile Island -- maybe in some of your -- the studies that you have looked at, was there not a lot of -- Strike that from the record.

What's going to motivate people to read this brochure? Just the existence of it?

A. It's outside of my area of expertise to understand what motivates people to read.

Q I see. Is that not -- The testimony of Dr. Hunter was primarily involved with methods to make people read the brochure; isn't that correct?

A. It was my understanding that the testimony was addressing the motivation that a brochure could give people for responding to the emergency.

MR. GROESCH: We have no more questions.

JUDGE WOLFE: Is there redirect, Mr. Churchill?

MR. CHURCHILL: Should I wait with my re-

direct until after the other parties have cross-examined?

I can do that. That might save time.

JUDGE WOLFE: I thought Messrs. Turk and Cassidy had already conducted their cross yesterday. Isn't that correct, Mr. Turk?

MR. CHURCHILL: I'm sorry --

MR. TURK: Yes, that's correct.

MR. CHURCHILI: I'll go ahead with my redirect.

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JUDGE WOLFE: All right.

REDIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. CHURCHILL:

Q Dr. Mileti, would the emergency information brochure influence the definition for the emergent norms that might emerge in the event of an accident at Waterford 3?

A. No, it could not. Emergent norms, by definition, occur naturally in social groups when emergencies occur. Emergency preparedness plans should take that into account, design the plants to conform to how people behave, rather than vice versa.

Q Do you think that the evacuation routes and reception centers that are contained in the emergency plan, do you think that information is appropriate for inclusion into the emergency brochure?

A. I think it's among the most important information that should be included in the brochure. However, if during the actual emergency, things are going
to change from there, careful attention needs to be paid
to that in the emergency information system.

MR. CHURCHILL: Thank you, Dr. Mileti. I have no further questions.

JUDGE WOLFE: Board questions.

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BY JUDGE JORDAN:

I gather by your most recent responses to Mr. Groesch that you do not have a feeling for the -for action of the people in the area that will read the brochure?

- No, I do not.
- For those people that do read the brochure, what would be the most significant benefit either to the individual or to the success of the emergency action? What would the brochure do to benefit either those people or the success of the -- say -- evacuation?
- There probably are several benefits. But in my honest opinion I think the most key benefit that would exist for the most people is to recall during an emergency that some attention had been pand by officials to planning for the emergency, and that might help them be able to distinguish between official information at the time and rumor and misinformation at the time and help them, therefore, be able to more readily receive instructions and respond appropriately during the time of the accident.
- What part of the brochure then do you believe accomplishes that purpose?
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idea in mind. But I think the idea that there are certain ways to get out would get across that someone thought about evacuation. The idea that there is a source of official information would help people come to think about that, and the idea that some responses are appropriate and others may be inappropriate would help them recall that there is official information that they may want to seek.

JUDGE JORDAN: Thank you.

BOARD EXAMINATION

BY JUDGE FOREMAN:

- In the news last night and this morning, there was portrayed or there was news about an emergency or disaster planning for earthquakes. I suspect that might have been a meeting you would have attended, had you not been here.
- That was not one of the two meetings I was planning to go to, but that was because I was planning to go to the other two meetings.
- Well, my question relating to those was there was graphically portrayed on television an emergency exercise; and it appeared to me that that exercise was directed to members of the public and not only to emergency planning workers.

And if that was so, then the people who

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arranged for that could be well at odds with your particular philosophies or your thinking. Am I wrong in my perception about those exercises, as far as you know?

A. I'm sorry. I don't know what those exercises were. However, it's likely that they were in Los Angeles; and I know personally the people who might have arranged them.

And if that exercise included the public, I'm not sure how it might have included the public. It may have included them by enabling them to watch the exercise on TV, in which case that would have reinforced for them the notion that there are plans for how to deal with an earthquake emergency in Southern California.

I don't think it might have involved them in an evacuation, because I know for a fact that were that earthquake to be predicted, the plan is not to ask people to evacuate at all, but rather to ask them to go home and stay there.

Q Intuitively, at least to me, I find it hard to believe that pre-eduction is not useful in preparing the public to meet an emergency or that it is just minimally useful.

You have repeatedly -- and I think very clearly stated that studies have shown that that is of relatively little importance. Am I right in that perception -- the

A. Studies have shown that we're hard pressed to come up with scientific or statistical evidence to show that it helps. However, people in my profession, like you, find it intuitively uncomfortable to suggest public information can't help, which is why none of us would recommend that efforts such as these are not good.

The thing that such a brochure can accomplish, however, is to help people realize that there are official schemes that they can rely on during an emergency. The reason that it's likely that specifics laid out in public education before an emergency for the public don't make -- or help them that much in responding to the emergency when it occurs is that all -- most emergencies are very low probability events.

it in great detail several times and remembered everything in it, it's likely that they may not, when that emergency actually occurs, remember what was specifically in the brochure because the routine of normal life and living pushes low probability events, like these for the individual, back into the -- out of the limelight.

People don't tend to preoccupy themselves with knowledge that they don't use often.

Q I get the feeling -- and again you can correct

20024 (202) 554-2345 D.C. REPORTERS BUILDING, WASHINGTON, 300 7TH STREET, S.W., me if I'm wrong -- that it really would not have been any great harm to the public if this brochure weren't put out at all?

A. If the emergency information system during a future emergency is a good one and a sound one, we could accomplish public safety, relying just on that one tool without this brochure.

However, despite planning, things sometimes go wrong. And information like this can indeed be useful. And if nothing else, if this brochure -- people might remember that someone has devoted some attention to emergency planning because they had a brochure on it once, that alone may help.

It may not alter the response. But it may cause them to go to the TV ten seconds sooner, and that may not work out statistically to show an accomplishment, but it's worth having done, even though we can't show it statistically.

Q. Well, turning now to the purpose as to why we're here, namely, to determine the adequacy of this revision of the brochure and specifically to your role in it, I hear you say that you reviewed it for elements that you considered desirable and necessary, but that you did not review it for certain other characteristics.

And, therefore, I get the feeling that it

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doesn't make any difference whether this brochure -- in your critique, that is -- that it doesn't make any difference whether this brochure was prepared for the two parishes in Southern Louisiana or whether it was prepared for Southern California. You did not look at it from that viewpoint at all?

A. I'm sure it does make a difference, in terms of the reading level and other sorts of things that other sorts of experts would know about. But I didn't look at it from that point of view, no, because I have no knowledge in that area.

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- A. That whether or not it can be read? Yes.
- Q. Yes?

A. Yes, I do. I would imagine that if one is distributing a brochure, it's important that people who receive it can read it, but I base that on common sense and not on any expertise.

JUDGE FOREMAN: Can comprehend it, okay. Thank you.

BOARD EXAMINATION

BY JUDGE WOLFE:

- Q. Doctor, you mentioned the Missisauga (or however you pronounce that) evacuation.
 - A. I'm sorry, I didn't hear you.
 - Q. The Missisauga evacuation?
 - A. Yes, sir, Missisauga.
 - Q. Missisauga, thank you.

I take it from your testimony that you do firmly support the issuance of this revised brochure?

- A. Yes, I do.
- And your mentioning of this Missisauga evacuation, you did not intend to ailute or diminish your support for the issuance of this revised brochure?
 - A. Oh, absolutely not, no. What I was suggesting

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was that we can have successful evacuations even when we don't have public education like this brochures and even when we don't have plans for emergency warning information systems.

However, I think we could increase the probability that we'll have successful evacuations if we do have good plans beforehand.

Q. Just in a few sentences, what did happen at Missisauga? I'm not aware, where is that and what was it?

A. It's in Canada and what happened was that I believe a train derailed or a chemical spill occurred of some sort and chlorine gas, I believe, was released, and it posed a very immediate threat to a large number of people.

By and large what happened was that the information about that threat was distributed to the people who needed to evacuate and emergency workers and the public got everybody to evacuate very quickly without problems and very effectively and nobody's life was placed in jeopardy.

In that community there was no prior education about chemical spill evacuations. There wasn't even planning devoted to emergency information.

But they were just lucky that went well.

I see. You were queried with respect to

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Dr. Hunter's testimony when, among other things, she recommended that a survey should be done in the area to determine the credibility of the brochure, and if not a survey, at least some sort of practice rull, for example, should be conducted to determine the adequacy of the brochure.

Your response was that you disagree and that you didn't think a survey was warranted, and I would add to that, if that wasn't incorporated within your answer, I take it you would also say that you wouldn't think that any sort of, say, limited practice procedure would be desirable, either; is that correct?

- Yes, that is what I said.
- Why do you say that? I know you had some testimony on it. Would you develop that a bit more for me.
- Well, you have asked two questions and I will answer them both.
 - Yes. 0.
- However, it's likely I'll forget the first by the time I --
 - I'll bring it up. Go ahead.
 - A. -- answer the second.

In reference to a practice evacuation, emergencies are very real situation; to the people who

experience them and they are comprised of a variety of different things that affect human behavior, and as those things affect human behavior and people decide what to do, learning goes on and they carry that experience to their next emergency.

My concern is that a practice evacuation will be less than real and people will form experiences and patterns of behavior that they may carry with them to an actual emergency that came from an artificial dry run.

Those behavioral patterns that they recall during an actual emergency may be inappropriate in that actual emergency; that it's almost impossible to design a real world laboratory like that where we could create the real aspects of a nuclear powerplant incident.

We could certainly, however, find out if people know how to drive on the highway to evacuate, but I think people already know how to do that.

So I see that no benefit could come from involving the public in a practice evacuation and some harm could come.

- Q. Now as to the second question on whether or not a survey should be conducted with regard to determining the credibility of the brochure.
- A. As I recall, Dr. Hunter was suggesting that credibility is important for motivation and motivation was

supposed to be the goal of the brochure, to motivate future belavior.

Indeed, the credibility of the information during an emergency, that warning information that people get during an emergency, credibility is extremely important in that context, but I don't see the brochure as a motivational tool and, therefore, don't see the importance of assessing credibility for designing it as a motivational tool.

Q How about a survey as to the informational quality of the brochure?

A. I'm sure that you could design a survey, certainly, to see if people understand what it is that they are reading.

However, as I've heard Dr. Klare say, he has written this to the lowest possible educational level to still be able to get the information across, and I would suspect that that means that the most people will be able to understand it as possible.

I don't see the point of documenting that people above whom -- who have not enough education to understand this won't understand it. We already know that.

Q Did you or did you not state, Doctor, that an emergent norm of behavior does not exist today in Louisiana?

Q And finally, I think -- Well, I'll ask the question.

In your opinion, what would most people do upon hearing a siren during an emergency situation?

A. If the first information people got in an emergency was the sound of a siren, my opinion is that most people would stop for a second and wonder what it meant.

And then in order to try to find out what it meant, most of them would turn to an additional source of information, and the source that they would turn to is the most handy easy source of information, and that would be the media, the electronic media, the radio or the television, because that's the easiest way for them to get additional information.

JUDGE WOLFE: All right. Is there crossexamination on Board questions, Mr. Groesch?

RECROSS-EXAMINATION

BY MR. GROESCH:

Q. Dr. Mileti, you said that a practice evacuation would oftentimes -- you said that there was a variety of things that go into people's behavior during emergencies that one of the problems with that is that you

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think that practice evacuations can be perceived as less than real by the population; is that correct?

A. Yes, I do think that's correct. It would definitely be perceived as less than real, unless we didn't tell them it was a practice.

Q. But you don't see that as a problem for emergency workers in perceiving whatever test they are doing as being less than real?

A. Absolutely not, because what's important for emergency workers and the only reason exercises are important for emergency workers is that they have a clear idea of what job it is that they are supposed to perform in the emergency.

In other words, a clear mental job description.

Do you think if the population found that a portion of the brochure was incorrect or not totally correct, it would affect their perception of the brochure?

MR. CHURCHILL: Objection. This is beyond the scope of the Board's questions.

MR. GROESCH: I withdraw it. It probably is. BY MR. GROESCH:

Q. Let me see if I can restate this. Judge Wolfe talked about credibility a little bit.

In your opinion, the credibility of whoever wrote this brochure is very important; is that not correct?

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I think what I said was that the credibility of information provided during an emergency is very important to how people perceive that information during an emergency.

- But it's not that important in a pre-emergency brochure?
 - For what reason?
- Well, obviously, if the population -- if the brochure makes a statement and the population in general finds out that that statement is not correct, are they going to perceive this brochure as being not credible and, therefore, would they perceive that information coming during the emergency would therefore not be credible?

I think you have two questions there. Let me try to answer them both.

Yes, I think, indeed, if you told the public a lie and they found out that it was a lie, they wouldn't believe it.

And I've forgotten what the second part of your question was.

And the second part is -- I'm talking about the pre-emergency brochure, and I believe your testimony is that if the public perceives a section of the preemergency brochure as being not correct or a lie, even, that they would not believe the rest of the information

A. I believe if the public perceived that part of this brochure were a lie, that that would affect how the public would interpret and whether or not they would believe the rest of the information in the brochure, yes.

Do you think that that would translate into the information coming during the emergency?

Do you think that the public would therefore say, "This is a -- They lied to me in this brochure.

Maybe they are lying now"?

MR. CHURCHILL: Your Honor, I object. This is well beyond the scope of the Board's examination.

MR. GROESCH: I don't believe so. I believe
Judge Wolfe brought up this question of credibility and
whether it was important and --

MR. CHURCHILL: No, sir. Judge Wolfe asked the question related to his previous testimony and related to Dr. Hunter's testimony, do you believe that it is necessary to conduct a survey of the credibility of the source of the brochure.

It had nothing to do with the question of whether there was a lie in the brochure. That would have nothing to do with the credibility of the source.

JUDGE WOLFE: Yes, that was the thrust of my question, Mr. Groesch.

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I'll sustain the objection.

MR. GROESCH: I have no further questions.

JUDGE WOLFE: Mr. Turk?

MR. TURK: I have a brief line of crossexamination following Judge Foreman's questioning.

RECROSS-EXAMINATION

BY MR. TURK:

Q. Dr. Mileti, do you recall Judge Foreman asking you as to whether the brochure has any utility -- well, I'm paraphrasing a little too much perhaps.

In response to one of Judge Foreman's questions, you stated that in your view people don't preoccupy themselves with knowledge which they may have gained sometime before from reading a public information brochure, because the emergencies are, by definition, not regularly recurring events, and that this is not information they would use often.

Do you recall making that statement in response to Judge Foreman?

- A. Yes, I do recall that.
- Q. Did you mean to imply that the brochure would not be used by members of the public in the event of an emergency?
 - A. No, I did not. What I meant to say was that

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people did not remember, by and large, the contents of it because they don't preoccupy themselves with remembering that information during the normal routines of life, which is when emergencies pop up. So it is likely that knowledge gained -- specific knowledge by having read this brochure, we can't count on the public remembering it when the emergency occurs.

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However, that doesn't mean that someone might not keep this in a place and go to it in an emergency.

That, indeed, could happen.

- Q Indeed, if you look at the first page, which is captioned, "A Message To Our Neighbors and Friends," if you open the brochure slightly, you'll see a page entitled "A Message To Our Neighbors and Friends."
 - A. Yes, I see that.
- The third paragraph there, in fact, states:

 "Keep this booklet in a handy place." You do see that,

 don't you?
 - A. Yes, I do.
- And if you open the brochure to the inside, the full -- inside -- the page with the map and the chart. To the right of the chart you'll see a column which is captioned, "Follow these steps to get ready for the trip."

And in Item 2 the public is instructed to gather what they will need. The first item stated is this booklet. That's true, isn't it?

- A. Yes, I see that.
- Q. So you would agree that there's a likelihood that members of the public will refer to this brochuse during the evacuation?
 - A. Some of them will, yes.

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Q. In light of that fact -- Well, let me back up for a second.

Do you recall questioning by Mr. Groesch concerning the fact that there were explicit directions given and arrows listed on the map as to evacuation routes they might follow -- or that they should follow?

A. Yes, I do recall that.

Q. In light of the fact that it is likely, as you have recognized, that members of the public or some members of the public may refer to the brochure during an evacuation, do you feel that the brochure might be improved by the insertion of the caveat in the appropriate place to the effect that "In the event of an evacuation, your actual emergency route may be different. Please listen to instructions at the time of the emergency."

Do you think that sort of instruction might improve the brochure?

A. I don't think it would hurt the brochure. I don't know if it would be necessary or not, because regardless of what's written in the brochure, we have to also make sure that information gets to those very same people over the emergency information system at the time.

Q. Well, if at the time of an emergency -- and I know that you're not familiar with the prior testimony in the case or what the emergency plans detail -- but if in

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the event of an emergency it turned out that a different evacuation route was being prescribed, do you think it might help -- or perhaps you don't agree with me -- but do you think it might help if there was some sort of caveat like the one I suggested printed in the brochure?

A. It really would depend on what was going on during the emergency. If, for example, we had the caveat added to the brochure that said, "This brochure does not prescribe an evacuation route. Get that from the media," and people turned to the media and they weren't getting that information at the time, it would create confusion.

So it would have to -- If you altered the brochure to say that, make sure that the information system was being able to provide that kind of information at the time.

Q And I suppose also that you could word a caveat in such a way so as not to lead people to expect to be given the evacuation routes? For instance, you might say, "In the event the evacuation route is different at the time of the emergency, then listen to the instructions given over the media, and disregard the instructions for your evacuation route here."

This is assuming you could word it in a concise method that wouldn't confuse the public.

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A. You had better be giving the information about the evacuation route over the media at the time as well.

That's absolutely essential.

In addition to that essential requirement, it would be nice if people had handy a cap that some of them may still have at the time and be able to take with them.

certainly, some people would misplace this and not have it handy at the time. And that's why we need to be sure that the emergency information is providing all that's needed to get everybody able to evacuate out.

I see this in that role as a supplemental role, as a bonus. It's not an essential role. It's a bonus role.

I'm not sure if you answered my question.

My question really was directed to the insertion of the caveat rather than to the message which is given at the time of the emergency.

Maybe just to summarize and ask you the question again: Do you feel that an appropriate caveat, as I have suggested, or in some other words as may be appropriate, would hurt this brochure?

A. I do not think it would hurt the brochure, no.

MR. TURK: Okay. I have no further questions.

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JUDGE WOLFE: Mr. Cassidy?

MR. CASSIDY: Thank you, Your Honor.

RECROSS-EXAMINATION

BY MR. CASSIDY:

Judge Wolfe had inquired about the statement you had made on emergent norms not existing in Louisiana today. I just wanted to follow that up so I would be very clear on what you were saying.

Your reason for stating that is because there is not an emergency today; is that correct?

- Yes.
- In terms of emergency planning and development of the brochure, in particular, you assume, I expect, that those emergent norms exist at the time of emergency and base the planning on that; is that correct?
 - Absolutely, yes.
- And you assume that the same emergent norms will occur in the Jefferson and -- excuse me -- St. Charles and St. John the Baptist Parishes at the time of an emergency as you've indicated is the national norm; is that correct?
- Yes, I would predict that those same norms A. would occur in any of our nation's communities, were an emergency to happen.
 - And there is sufficient study and experience

that would verify that those emergent norms that form the planning basis are consistent across the country?

A. Yes, there are. There are hundreds of studies that have shown that those same norms occur time and time again.

your opinion and that of Dr. Hunter, it seems that my understanding of Dr. Hunter -- and you tell me if this is your understanding as well -- is that her approach is to suggest a course of action which in the pre-emergency stage would internalize and develop certain responses to the emergency. Is that a fair statement of what your understanding of her overall position would be?

A. Somewhat. But I prefer stating it in my own terms.

Q. Please.

A. My perception of her argument is that this brochure can be used to motivate people to appropriate response in an emergency.

Q Is it a fair statement -- as I understand your position -- that the brochure is not to motivate, but you're using those emergent norms that you already know to exist from experience and basing the planning around what people are going to do in an emergency rather than trying to modify their behavior to respond in a certain

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way?

Absolutely. But I'd like to add one more thought; and that is, it's also my opinion that a brochure cannot motivate future emergency behavior.

MR. CASSIDY: No further questions.

JUDGE WOLFE: Redirect, Mr. Churchill?

REDIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. CHURCHILL:

- Q Dr. Mileti, you stated that in response to a question by Judge Foreman, that you thought common sense would suggest that we design the brochure to be readable by as many people as practicable; is that correct?
 - A. That's right.
- Q By that you didn't mean to suggest or contradict your previous testimony that if any given individual was unable to read the brochure that that individual would be, for that reason, at greater risk than the other members of the community?
- A. No, I did not, again because individual would be subjected to the real determinants of that individual's behavior in an emergency; and that's what's going on in the emergency.
- Q But to the extent that the brochure is useful -- for useful priming information and to educate
 the public, it makes sense -- good common sense, as long

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A. Yes, that is exactly what I think.

MR. CHURCHILL: Thank you. I have no

other questions.

JUDGE WOLFE: Have you finished?

MR. CHURCHILL: Yes, sir.

JUDGE WOLFE: All right. Is the witness to be

permanently excused?

MR. CHURCHILL: Yes, sir, as far as the

Applicant is concerned.

JUDGE WOLFE: There are no other questions?

All right.

(Witness excused.)

JUDGE WOLFE: All right, Mr. Churchill, call

your next witness -- rebuttal witness.

MR. CHURCHILL: Could we have a moment?

(Pause.)

MR. CHURCHILL: Your Honor, I would recall

Dr. Klare to the stand.

JUDGE WOLFE: You remain under oath, Dr.

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THE WITNESS: Yes, I do.

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Whereupon,

GEORGE R. KLARE

was recalled as a witness by and on behalf of the Applicant and, having been previously duly sworn by the Administrative Judge, was examined and testified further as follows:

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. CHURCHILL:

Q Dr. Klare, do you think that it would be help-ful to number the pages of the brochure, as has been suggested by the Joint Intervenors?

A. No. I feel that numbering the pages would be confusing, as a matter of fact. There is a very natural sequence to opening a brochure of this sort, and I think that that could be -- that will be enough for people to be able to open it and follow the proper sequence.

I have looked at all the other brochures that -all the other safety documents for existing nuclear power
plants, and I don't recall a single brochure format that
was numbered.

In fact, some of the booklets were not numbered either, as a matter of fact -- some of the other forms of these documents were not numbered.

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places provide enough information for finding information in the booklet.

These instructions are given at several locations, as a matter of fact. So I think that that's sufficient.

Actually, reference to specific pages is not normally called for. The only time the reader needs to turn from the normal sequence is to open the entire brochure, to turn to the map to get information.

And that, I believe, is clear from the instructions already given. And I would feel that the
use of numbers under these conditions would only be confusing.

And that's particularly true, as I think you would recognize when the brochure is completely opened out. How that section would be numbered would certainly be questionable.

On. Perry, the Joint Intervenors have also criticized the sequence in which the information is presented in the brochure. Can you comment on that, please?

MR. GROESCH: I think you meant Dr. Klare, if I'm not mistaken. Just to clarify the record. You said Dr. Perry.

MR. CHURCHILL: Dr. Klare.

THE WITNESS: Right.

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Actually there was one change made with sequencing in mind, and I think it is a very useful change from the form which you see.

section in the first panel, as the booklet is opened this way. That makes it possible to read the emergency action plans in sequence. When one finishes and comes to the heading, "What if you are told to evacuate," that would be in the last panel, as the document is opened. And then it's possible to turn directly inside the document and read the next information, which follows right on with it, "What to do if you are told to evacuate."

So I think the natural sequence of the brochure, under these conditions, is a good one; and I think that change is a useful one to have made.

As it exists now, I think there are -- I think the order is a good one and the sequence is a good one because the first thing one sees is the summary information that one would want the reader to see, so that if the reader should not read the entire document, key information would have been presented -- important information would have been available to the reader.

Following that there is the "Message to our neighbors and friends," which I think in terms of its official nature and its friendliness encourages people to continue,

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and then the remainder of the document can be read in a natural and expected sequence.

very good sequence at this time. The back of the document,
"Where to go to get more information or other help,"
should, I think, be at the back, just as it is.

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Q. Dr. Klare, one other point. You had mentioned about the summary at the beginning, which brings to mind a question.

The title of that summary is, "What To Do If You Hear the Outdoor Sirens."

I recall that Ms. Duplessis had criticized that and suggested that instead of being titled that, it should be labeled as a summary.

Do you have a view as to which would be the most appropriate title?

A. I think it's far better to tell people exactly what it is that they should expect to find in a particular panel.

If one simply said "Summary," that would not be as clear as it is, since it says what it does, "What To Do If You Hear the Outdoor Sirens."

That's really what we want people to do. We want them to carry out the steps in that box upon hearing the sirens.

Q. If this is the most important information, and we have heard several times that it is, do you believe that the title that it now has would tend to draw people to that information more than if it were entitled, "Summary"?

A. Yes, I certainly do. It gives them a reason for using that information that the term "summary"

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might not give them.

Q. Do you agree with Ms. Duplessis' comment that readers will "have great difficulty in locating vital information," because of headline size and the size of textual print used in the brochure?

A. No. As I had indicated earlier, I believe we have used headlines with great care. We've selected them with great care.

For example, the three possible steps that a reader -- or I should say that a person might be asked to take at the time of an emergency appear in capitals within the headlines.

Furthermore, I think each of the headlines is quite descriptive of what is in the paragraph following.

The small units of text are set apart in that way.

Where special information is needed, such as the radio stations or TV channels to turn to, they are set off typographically so that there can be little question of the reader missing them.

So it seems to me that the way this is set up currently takes account of headline size, headline importance and takes account of desirable size of print.

Q Do you believe that the repetition of material

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which is now in the brochure is adverse to its readability?

A. No, I do not feel that that's the case. I believe that repetition could be adverse if the information repeated was not important information.

But it seems to me that the information repeated is indeed important information and should be repeated.

As Dr. Mileti has said and as we have felt, the most important single thing for people to remember in an emergency is to turn on the radio or the television set, and that is repeated most often.

In addition to that, that kind of information is set off so that people are unlikely to miss it. It's likely to attract their attention.

And then, since that information is quite limited in nature, it doesn't add significantly to the number of words that people need to read.

Then, finally, and I think from a research point of view this is important, it is shown quite clearly studies of eye movements that people reading repeated information do not take as much time having to read it as they do newly presented information.

There are a number of studies that show this.

So I don't think that this adds significantly to the amount of work a reader must do in getting the necessary

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information.

Do you believe that there is confusion in the brochure with respect to the use of the terms "reception center" and "pickup points"?

A. No, it seems to me these are really quite clearly set out.

If you turn to the box labeled, "What To Do

If You Hear the Outdoor Sirens," for example, and read the
sentence telling you to go to one of the pickup points,
you can get a ride there, it seems to me that is a
functional kind of definition that a reader could hardly
miss.

Then further on, the definition of pickup

MR. GROESCH: Where are we? I am sorry.

THE WITNESS: In the box, "What To Do If You Hear the Outdoor Sirens."

MR. GROESCH: All right. Go ahead, I'm sorry.

THE WITNESS: And it says, as indicated, "Go
to one of the pickup points listed on the chart inside
this booklet. You can get a ride there."

So it seems to me quite clear what the pickup points are in a functional definition of that sort.

That kind of definition is repeated inside the booklet where one comes to the Item No. 4 under, "Follow

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These Steps for Using the Chart," it says, "If you cannot do that, you can be picked up from special points near you."

So once again, that kind of information about pickup points is given.

In the same way, reception center is clearly suggested by the information given under Item 3 in that same panel, "Follow These Steps for Using the Chart."

It suggests, as indicated, that this is a place to go as one evacuates.

This information is given in much the same form in the box, "What To Do If You Hear the Outdoor Sirens."

So it seems to me it's given in both locations.

I might say in connection with this that this kind of functional definition is preferable to a formal definition for most readers.

Also, as I have indicated in the past, using information about existing word meanings people have, the term "center" is a term known as a place where many people gather by over three-fourths of fourth grades, approximately 86 percent in the study that I mentioned, in the volume that I mentioned earlier.

The term "pickup" is likely to be known by over three-quarters of sixth graders, again, without other

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So the meanings of those terms are likely to be known by most readers, even without the context that I have cited.

So I don't feel that what a pickup point is what a reception center is, should remain in any doubt for virtually all readers.

BY MR. CHURCHILL:

Q In talking about a functional definition,
Dr. Klare, you mentioned that reception center, such a
definition was in the box, "What To Do If You Hear the
Outdoor Sirens"?

A. It says to "Go to the reception center for your section of the map."

- Q. Down at the bottom?
- A. Yes.
- Q. And if you are told to evacuate, the second item under that --
 - A. That's right.
 - Q. Is that also a functional definition?
- A. Yes, indeed it is, because it is listed, again, as a reception center in that second item.
- Q. Dr. Klare, do you agree with Ms. Duplessis' criticism of the location of the information which explains how to use the chart?

I think she said in her direct testimony that the information on how to use the chart is contained on the panel that's next to the map.

A. Well, actually, one needs to use the map and chart in conjunction with each other, so that to have artificially moved something down alongside the chart seems to me to be a non-functional change.

One has to use those two together. So to present the material at the top of the page is, I think, the best way to do this.

I believe that she mentioned that the first information for that appeared under, "Try This Example," and as I read it, that information appears in the panel prior to that, above that place in the panel.

It is mentioned again in "Try This Example," but not for the first time.

- Q. So do you believe that the explanatory material on how to use the chart is now clearly presented?
 - A Yes, I do, I think it is.
- Q. Now, Ms. Duplessis in a recent amendment to her testimony has suggested that the use of the words "community," "evacuation" and "reception" may make the chart more difficult to read. Do you agree?
- A. No. I think it would be confusing if one were to try to substitute other words for those. Those are the

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words that are commonly used in conjunction with emergency planning, so they should be used, in my view, in the chart for consistency.

Furthermore, by shecking (nce again on known meanings of these words, one sees that "community" is likely to be known as "people living together" by over three-quarters, 78 percent roughly, of fourth graders.

"Evacuation" is defined in the brochure and extensively used in context throughout the brochure. So I don't see that that should be a problem.

"Reception" is not used alone, but always in conjunction with -- in the term "reception center," in conjunction with "center" in the term "reception center."

"Center" being known as a place where many gather, there seems to me little doubt that people would understand what a reception center is.

So I don't really believe that the existence of those terms should cause difficulty for the bulk of readers. I don't see that there should be a problem with those.

In any event, as I said, I do believe it would be confusing to switch to other terms, hoping not to have to use those terms.

That, I think, would be more confusing than any difficulty readers might have with those terms, as such.

BY MR. CHURCHILL:

I take it when you did your work on the readability on this, Dr. Klare, there were many instances where you did attempt to use new terms, or to substitute terms that would be better understood by more people?

A. Yes, I did. Wherever possible, wherever there was evidence that people would get the same or essentially the same meaning with a term more likely to be known by readers of lower educational levels, I used those terms.

Q. Now, with respect to the map, Dr. Klare, do you believe that the map in the brochure is presented in a confusing manner, as has been suggested by the Joint Intervenors?

A. No. It seems to me that it is quite clear.

It is a large map. It's an uncluttered map. It contains the essential information, and it certainly is easier to use and to follow than the standard road map might be.

Some of the brochures -- some of the safety documents used a standard road map with all the detail on it, which, it seems to me, simply adds to the potential confusion.

But here, if one were to add street names and locations for the pickup points, one would certainly add to the kind of detail that would make the map harder to

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read, and, therefore, add confusion.

I believe that residents of the area are very likely to know where those other side streets that they might use to get to the main roads would be anyway. So it doesn't seem to me that these need to be pointed out.

They are major landmarks, these main roads; and people know about them. They would be able to get there without difficulty, in my view.

Non-residents might not know some of these, but then, after all, they would be unlikely, at best, to be using this particular map.

Now there was one example given of the John L.

Ory Elementary School, I believe; and it was suggested that people might not know how to get there.

Well, to get there or to go there would be inconsistent with the instructions. I don't think we would want to encourage people to go there. So the evacuation instructions, I think, would be contradicted, if one were to take that particular stand.

Another thing which has been done to the map that I think improves it is to add the reception centers at the edge of the ten-mile zone in the map. One can see that once one believes the map on the recommended routes, that -- the evacuation routes, that the reception centers are clearly marked, so that one knows where one

is going at that time.

And then, of course, finally, as I indicated earlier, the pickup points will be clearly indicated on the map with numbered triangles, so there will be no question in the user's mind in that connection.

- Q But, Dr. Klare, one point of clarification on your last answer. You said that people who were not supposed to go to the pickup points, that it would be inconsistent with the plan. Did you mean people in -You meant non-residents?
 - A. I meant non-residents, yes.
- And the residents who would go there for a ride, your testimony was that they would be likely to know about where these pickup points were?
- A. Yes, I think they would. The pickup points are major landmarks for most of the people. People living in the area would know where these particular points are, so I don't see that these would be unusual, unknown, unlikely kinds of places to direct readers to.
- Q. Dr. Klare, you have heard testimony about the manner in which Ms. Duplessis has applied the Fry Readability Graph to this brochure. Do you agree with the way in which she has used the Fry Readability Graph in her analysis?
 - A. Well, I was pleased to see that she had used

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it. As indicated, it is a very good way of getting at difficulty.

But I was very sorry to see that she misused it. The very first direction in the Fry Readability Graph is "Randomly select three sample passages." She picked one and probably two passages deliberately, not randomly, to, presumably, indicate difficulty. These were ones that had, for example, names with several syllables.

Well, one certainly cannot get -- as she suggests -- an average value for a document like this from passages that were selected in a manner other than random. If one wants to use only three samples, one must select them randomly.

Then, as indicated, if the particular samples do not show much range in difficulty, that may be enough.

However, if one picks the samples in some fashion other than random, that also invalidates that further consideration in using a readability measure of this sort.

So, as I say, I was sorry to see this measure misused. And since a good share of my professional energy has gone to the study of readability, I'm even more concerned with that kind of misuse.

Now, certainly, the scores for -- that were given were particularly, it seemed to me -- therefore,

picked with something other than a good overall average in mind.

Q. Would it be a more accurate measure of the readability of a document to analyze the entire document rather than just a few samples?

A. Yes, indeed it would. There are a number of studies that show that unless one chooses samples randomly, one can't be satisfied with a small number of samples.

And, furthermore, even when one does choose them randomly, as a recent study in the Reading Research Quarterly indicates -- and it was done specifically with the Fry Graph -- as this study indicates, a complete analysis is far preferable to a sample analysis when one can do a complete analysis.

So there is no question in my mind that it's preferable to make a complete analysis of a document to get this kind of index.

- Q. I take it that in all cases it's not possible to do a complete analysis. The document might be too long, and it would be impractical. Is that correct, sir?
- A. Yes. Certainly, a book or something of that length, that would be true of.
- Q. Do you do a complete analysis of all the textual material in the brochure?

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A. I did.

And that was the basis for the figures that you gave earlier in this hearing?

- A. That was the basis. I analyzed the entire.
- One other thing on this subject. Ms. Duplessis suggested that passages in the brochure unsampled by her might be as high as post-graduate level. Were there any paragraphs in the brochure that high?

A. None even approached that. I thought it was rather interesting that one of the samples chosen was taken from the middle of the "Try This Example" section where there were a number of names. And if one turns to that panel, "What to do if you are told to evacuate," and then under that, "Follow these steps for using the chart,"

Item No. 6, one sees below that very panel, "If you have questions about your route, reception center or pickup point, write or call one of these offices as soon as you can."

So even if there were to be difficulty with that particular paragraph, a way is provided for readers to get the needed information.

Furthermore, I think it's quite clear that the kinds of names that were used, as, for example, in that paragraph, are likely to be known to readers of this document. I don't think that the number of syllables in

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those names necessarily reflects the degree of difficulty for these readers familiar with those words.

In fact, in an early version of this particular graph, Professor Fry suggested that these names not even be included in the count, suggesting that very same kind of reasoning.

Q Dr. Klare, in the preparation of the brochure, have you considered and been responsive to comments relating to the readability and other aspects of presentation of this information?

A. Yes, we have been particularly receptive to comments and have evaluated all of them very carefully. These have included Ms. Duplessis' testimony and that of others who have read the document in one connection or another.

We have looked at all their comments and, in fact, have adopted a number of these to improve the document. For example, we have greatly improved the readability of this document. That probably is the most responsive thing that we have done.

We have taken the potential ambiguity out, for example, of the heading, "Schools and Pickup Points," by inserting the word, "other." It now reads, "Schools and Other Pickup Points." That was a source of potential ambiguity, and that was, I believe, suggested by Ms.

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Duplessis as a source of ambiguity. We have removed it.

We have moved some of the material to create smoother organization. We have moved the material on "What Radiation Is" from the fourth panel on this section to the first panel so that "Emergency Action Plan Information" could follow directly from this particular part of the brochure to the next page to make that sequence a more natural one.

We have eliminated extraneous information, such as definitions of technical terms in the radiation area that would not be essential to the reader using the document as an information source.

So what I have testified to earlier are kinds of comments that we have evaluated and found not to be useful; in fact, to, in many cases, add confusion for a reader, so that we have been responsive to the kinds of things that have been suggested where our evaluation indicates that you could improve the document.

- Q. Dr. Klare, are you testifying then that in your professional judgment the comments of the Joint Intervenors that you have referred to earlier in your testimony today that you have not adopted are ones that should not be adopted?
 - A. Indeed, I have, yes. That's exactly what I

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do mean.

I think we have, on careful evaluation, adopted all those which seemed to us in our best professional judgment to need to be adopted. We have not adopted those which in our best professional judgment would add confusion or make the document less easy to use or certainly less comprehensible.

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Q. Dr. Klare, when you say "our best professional judgment," does that mean you?

A. Yes, it means me. I did have some information on some points from Dr. Mileti, for example. Those have also been included, that the risk in the case of a nuclear accident is likely to be airborne.

Q. One final question. Do you believe that the information in the brochure as it now exists is clearly presented and well organized for effective reference?

A. I think it is. I do not see how we could improve the document further to make it readable to any larger number of readers that can currently read it.

I think it is as readable as possible, consistent with the kind of information that we are trying to present in the document.

I believe it will be readable to the public at large, I think, in fact, to a very, very large segment of the public.

MR. CHURCHILL: Thank you, Dr. Klare.

Your Honor, that completes the direct
testimony. Dr. Klare is now available for crossexamination.

JUDGE WOLFE: Mr. Groesch.

We'll have a ten-minute recess. Rather than a recess, we'll have a recess now for lunch and we'll

return at 1:15.

MR. GROESCH: Your Honor, is it possible -Ms. Duplessis has to go to work at, I believe, 1:30; and,
therefore, if we could have ten minutes now, she could be
here with me during the cross-examination and possibly we
could break at that time.

I don't know how long it's going to take, probably not very long.

JUDGE WOLFE: All right, then, we'll just have a ten-minute recess now.

(Recess taken.)

JUDGE WOLFE: All right, Mr. Groesch.

CROSS-EXAMINATION

BY MR. GROESCH:

Q. Dr. Klare, we're going to be talking about sequencing a little bit, so I would suggest that you turn to the inside page where the map is.

I believe your rebuttal testimony was saying something along the nature that in the section, "What To Do If You Are Told To Evacuate," Part 6, it says, "Try This Example," Ms. Duplessis had stated that it should be next to the chart on the bottom, whereas you are saying that it's all right where it is because it's going to be used with both the map and the chart.

MR. CHURCHILL: Your Honor, I have an objection

to that question.

I think Mr. Groesch has mischaracterized Ms. Duplessis testimony.

I don't believe Ms. Duplessis testified that that particular section should go someplace else.

I think that what she was saying and the point she was making in her testimony was that the information appeared inappropriately under that heading where it does.

MR. GROESCH: Your Honor, I believe her statement was that the "Try This Example" Section was not congruent with the chart.

From Page -- let's see, Page 5 of her testimony, the second full paragraph that starts out with, "Explanations."

It says something -- it says exactly,

"Explanations of how to use the chart do not appear

adjacent to the chart." Therefore, it's our contention

that this is a valid question.

JUDGE WOLFE: Objection overruled.

MR. GROESCH: I believe all I had done at the point we were at was simply characterize what the testimony was.

BY MR. GROESCH:

Q. Doctor, let's go through this example to see how much it relates to the map and how much it relates to

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Doctor, could we read the sentences sentenceby-sentence, and then we'll see whether or not it relates to the map or the chart; can we do that?

- A. All right.
- Q. I guess I could -- Could you read it? It doesn't matter.
- A. Would you like me to read the complete paragraph in Ms. Duplessis' testimony, where it says --
- Q. Not in her testimony. I'm talking about on the map.
- A. Well, the next sentence in the testimony relates directly to that. This information --
- Q. No, I would rather, if I would -- conducting cross-examination.
- A. I am only suggesting that it indicates where this is under "Try This Example," and that, of course, isn't correct. So I think I need to point that out.
- Q Does the section, "Try This Example," explain how to use the chart?
- A. It's the second place that's explained, yes.

 All the material above that also relates to using the chart.

"Try This Example" is only one part of that

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entire explanation.

I do feel that's important in the point under consideration.

Q. Dr. Klare, let's go to the section marked, "What To Do If You Hear the Outdoor Sirens."

How is the reader -- I believe your testimony can be characterized that this section is the summary section, the most important points; if they don't read anything else, this would be sufficient.

A. I think it does contain the single most significant piece of information, which is to turn on your radio or TV, and it gives the radio and TV -- radio stations and TV channels that will carry the information.

- Q But that information is also in other parts of the brochure, so --
 - A. That's true.
- Q. -- this section is a section that is probably the most important section -- maybe we could use that word -- in the chart?
 - A. Well, as I say --
 - Q. In the brochure?
- A. -- I think it does contain the single most important information in regard to radio and TV.

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- Well, as I think has been indicated earlier, A. one of the most important single things to do in an emergency is to react properly when one hears the outdoor sirens, and that's why it is headed that way, because it says, "What To Do If You Hear the Outdoor Sirens."
- But wouldn't the eye naturally be drawn to larger print?
- A. I think in general people look at the top of a panel when they are going to read. There's a lot of evidence on where people look.

I think they would see that heading, first of all, really.

- On the other side of the front part it says, "Emergency Action Plans."
 - A. Yes.
 - At the top of the panel.
 - A. Yes.
- Wouldn't the eye be drawn to that as a more important part than what appeared in the headline of "What To Do If You Hear the Outdoor Sirens"?
- Well, I don't feel that the slight difference there would make a large difference in where people looked.

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answer.

This is not a matter of newspaper headlines where one has what are sometimes characterized as bold screaming headlines.

I think the people will, since the material is in small units with appropriate titles, I think people can find them with no difficulty.

JUDGE WOLFE: Then the question comes up why you have the larger printing for "Emergency Action Plans" than you do for "What To Do If You Hear the Outdoor Sirens"?

THE WITNESS: The reason for that, Your Honor, is that that is a heading which covers several of the other categories.

So where that is the case, it is generally best to have slightly larger type for the more inclusive type heading.

JUDGE WOLFE: Well, the "Emergency Action Plan" heading is larger, is it not, than the heading, "What To Do If You Hear the Outloor Sirens"?

THE WITNESS: Yes, it is.

JUDGE WOLFE: And my question is, why is one heading in larger print than the other?

THE WITNESS: I see.

JUDGE WOLFE: I don't see that I've gotten an

Yes. Well, for one thing, they THE WITNESS:

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are not on the same panel, so I don't think one would be confused with the other.

If this box were on the same page or in the same panel as the "Emergency Action Plans," I think that would be a very serious consideration.

JUDGE WOLFE: Let me put it another way. Why isn't the "Emergency Action Plans" heading on that particular page and/or panel of a lesser size equivalent to the heading, "What To Do If You Hear the Outdoor Sirens"?

THE WITNESS: Well, Your Honor, I think that's the case because of the relative size of the headings in the box to each other versus the headings in the "Emergency Action Plans" to each other.

Now, I feeling was that by putting in all capitals the three possible key actions, "Protect Your Breathing, Shelter in Place, and Evacuate," that those would draw the reader's eyes to appropriate kinds of actions likely to be recommended in the radio and television broadcasts.

I think they actually are in a sense the most attention attracting of the headlines in that section.

JUDGE WOLFE: Go ahead, Mr. Groesch. Sorry to interrupt.

MR. GROESCH: That's all right.

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BY MR. GROESCH:

Q Dr. Klare, there's a number of headlines in here that seem to me to be of almost equal importance, if I were just to pick this brochure up and want to know some information.

One of them said, "Emergency Action Plans," and one said, "What Are the Actions You Might Need to Take," "What If You Are Told to Evacuate," and the one that we pointed out or the actual one that is on the top of the summary, "What To Do If You Hear the Outdoor Sirens," and that particular one is repeated twice in the booklet.

A. "What To Do If You Hear the Outdoor Sirens" is repeated twice? I don't understand, I'm afraid.

Q There must be --

JUDGE WOLFE: Mr. Groesch, isn't what you are getting to -- May I put a question to the witness?

May I interrupt?

MR. GROESCH: Sure, go ahead. It's all right.

JUDGE WOLFE: How would it detract from the

contents of this block or whatever you want to call it

here that is headed, "What To Do If You Hear the Outdoor

Sirens," how would that detract or possibly impair the

thrust of the information if that heading, "What To Do If

You Hear the Outdoor Sirens," were -- the type thereof

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was made as large as the caption for "Emergency Action Plans"? Isn't this what you are ultimately getting to, Mr. Groesch?

MR. GROESCH: Yes, it --

THE WITNESS: I would be happy to answer that,

Your Honor, if you --

JUDGE WOLFE: Yes. Is that what you are ultimately getting to, Mr. Groesch?

MR. GROESCH: We are just trying to get an idea on --

JUDGE WOLFE: All right.

I think we could change that and make it larger. So that if that is a potential source of ambiguity, there's no reason we could not make that change.

Certainly, I see no problem with making it.

I'd be happy to recommend that change be made.

JUDGE JORDAN: Isn't the size of the type determined there actually by the size and length of the line? If you made it larger, you'd have to put it on two lines, if you have the same number of words?

THE WITNESS: Yes, we would have to do that.

I don't think that would create any undue problems,

however. We could certainly do that.

BY MR. GROESCH:

Q. You don't think something needs to be added to the title of the summary, in order to -- to the title of the "What to do if you hear the outdoor sirens," in order to indicate it's a summary statement?

A. No, I don't see that that would be necessary,
Mr. Groesch, because the most important single information
in this kind of a priming document is to emphasize the
single most important action to take. And that is to
turn on your radio or TV.

So I think that heading is a very actionoriented heading. I think it's far better than the
statement that might say, "Summary," because people might
wonder what it summarized.

I think this tells them exactly what to do in the case of the sirens.

Q Dr. Klare, I think we've established that you've never gone to St. John or St. Charles Parishes; is

that correct?

A. I'm not sure that's correct because in some of my earlier trips to Louisiana we did leave New Orleans and did get across the river, for example. So I'm not -- I really can't say for sure any longer whether that would be true.

But in our many trips to Louisiana, both my wife and I were outside New Orleans.

Q I was just interested in the statement that you were making about residents would know things or land-marks. Is this -- This is more or less just a common sensical thing, rather than an expert statement; is that correct?

A. Well, I don't know quite how you're characterizing an expert statement, but I think it is certainly common sense, yes.

Q. Dr. Klare, you never taught in Louisiana is that correct?

- A. Pardon me?
- Q. You've never taught a course in Louisiana?
- A. No.
- Q. I -- It's --

MR. GROESCH: I'm going to be staying within the rebuttal. I won't be talking about headlines. I just wanted to establish that --

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MR. CHURCHILL: I would object to that question.

He has been voir dired and cross-examined at length.

MR. GROESCH: I will withdraw the question.

BY MR. GROESCH:

On Dr. Klare, did you know that in the state of Louisiana that in the teaching of reading that the larger print indicates that -- that the larger print indicates the major topic, the major ideas, and that the state education praction mandate that they teach in this manner?

Did I know that specific item of information?

Q. Yes.

A. I have not read that specific item of information, but I would be surprised if that were not the case.

Q With that kind of training in the larger print, obviously it would appear to most people -- at least who have been taught that way -- that the larger print would be the most important information?

A. Headings are typically in larger print. And, of course, as is well known, the size of type in the earliest grades is larger so as to keep the readerts eyes from straying from the line that is being read to the line below.

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- A. Subheadings under a main heading appear in larger type than the main heading? Is that what you mean?
- Q. In other words, a major idea is introduced and -- ir large print, and minor ideas under it appear in even larger print? Is there any of that?

(Pause while Mr. Groesch conferred.)

All right. Well, let's go to the section entitled -- well, at the top of it, it's "How you will be told about the emergency." I'm interested primarily in the part -- the paragraph at the bottom that is entitled "What are the actions you might need to take."

The main idea of that particular paragraph is that there are three actions that you might be asked to take: protect your breathing, shelter in place or evacuate.

As those points are further explained, the print is larger on the next panel.

- Q. You mean "protect your breathing" is larger, and "shelter in place" is larger, and "evacuate" is larger? Is that what you're --
 - A. Yes.
 - 0. Yes --

- A. That's deliberate --
- Q -- I'm sorry --
- might be given over the educational broadcast system. I think it is particularly important that they be larger, so as to attract attention.
- Q Well, in light of the training of the people of Louisiana to see subtopics as being in smaller print --
 - A. Compared --
- Q -- is that not inconsistent with the title of the paragraph, "What are your actions you might need to take," and won't that add to the confusion?
- A. It seems, in fact, to me to greatly eliminate any possible confusion because what might be said over the emergency broadcast system is "You might be" -- or under some circumstances -- "you would be asked to protect your breathing." Those are the exact words, and the kind of recommendations that would be given.

Shelter in place is another. And evacuate is another.

It does seem to me that to keep people from carrying out the wrong action, that those should get that emphasis.

Q Dr. Klare, when we talk about reception centers and pickup points, how would a person quickly identify

these definitions from reading the summary?

A. From reading the box, "What to do if you hear the outdoor sirens"?

- Q. Yes. "What to do if you hear the outdoor sirens."
- A. Would you repeat the question? I'd like to hear it exactly as you stated it.
- Q. Okay. How can a person who has just read the section marked "What to do if you hear the outdoor sirens" quickly identify the definitions of the term "pickup point" and "reception center" from just the summary?
- A. Certainly, it seems to me if it says, "If you cannot do that, go to one of the pickup points listed on the chart inside this booklet, you can get a ride there," that that is rather clearly defined functionally. I don't see why -- or in fact how, one could make that much clearer.
- Q I think what our principal worry here is that the definition of a reception center does not appear to be clear as meaning the final place that a person would go during an evacuation.
- A. Well, I guess all I can say is that evidence on the meaning of information, that people are likely to know even at low educational levels suggests that they

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would know that.

It is a place where people gather. And since it is mentioned twice, once in connection with school children and once in connection with adults, that that would be clear.

I just can't see that that would be a problem, I guess.

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- Oh, indeed. In fact, much lower than that. A.
- Dr. Klare, after you've read this summary, how can you quickly identify the definitions?
- A. Do you mean if someone said to you, "What is a pickup point," how you would know what to answer?
- Let me rephrase the question. Are you saying that the definition of a reception center is selfevident? Is that what you're saying?
 - I believe it is, yes.
- Okay. You were talking about a study in which you were mentioning eyeball studies -- rapid eye movement, I suppose?
 - A. Right.
 - As --
- No, these are where you use an eye-movement camera to measure or record fixations and interfixation movements, siccative movements. That's what I was referring to.
- This study was used to measure -- Was eye movement more rapid with more repetition in the text?
- People were given the same material, that is, repeated material, on second reading and on third reading the time spent to read that material decreased so that

I was simply saying that the amount of time needed to read new material is greater than that to read repeated material.

I was simply responding to the notion that having this repeated material is going to significantly delay or encumber a reader while reading, and as I've indicated, the eye movement studies -- I have done one myself on this very thing -- do not show that to be the case.

- Q. Are you aware that in the testimony of Ms.

 Duplessis that she was concerned only with readers who

 were not highly skilled when she talked about repetition?
 - A. Could you tell me --

MR. CHURCHILL: Your Honor, he should confine his questions to Dr. Klare's testimony.

MR. GROESCH: Okay. We can ask it another way.

BY MR. GROESCH:

- Q Were these studies done with preschool children -- I'm sorry -- with kindergarten or -- Were these studies done with readers who had low levels of skill, such as kindergarteners or first graders?
- A. No, they were not done with kindergarteners or first graders. I don't think they could read this booklet with comprehension, so that I don't think that

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would really be too relevant to this question.

- Q Were these studies done on adults with low reading skills?
- A. Indeed, one was done with adults of low reading skills. At least one that I know of. They are likely actually to be helped as much -- relatively -- as more skilled readers.
- Q And this conclusion that you've drawn is the result of this one study; is that correct?
- A. Oh, no, no. There are other studies with readers reading repeated material.
 - Q But not low-level readers?
- A. I can't say at this point. They may well be.

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BY MR. GROESCH:

Q. Going back to this idea of pickup point and reception that these definitions are self-contained or suggested, which I believe was the word that you used in your testimony.

- A. Suggested?
- Q. Yes.
- A. I don't recall using that term, but....
- Q. What term would you use?
- A. I referred to functionally defined by their use.
 - Q. Functionally defined?
 - A. Yes.
 - O. All right.

These were functionally defined -- I mean, you know that they are functionally defined by studies, and they are functionally defined just by the way they are stated?

A. Their function is suggested by the way they are used in context, which in general is quite a good way to give people meanings of terms.

It's the way most meanings of terms are, in fact, learned.

Q. And have you ever tested this with readers of low reading levels?

- Have I tested to see if they would learn meanings of words in context?
 - Q. Yes, of words that --
- A. I have not done so myself, but I see no reason why from studies that have been made that that would not be the case here. I think in fact it would.
- So in other words, you are saying that you know of studies of readers of average efficiency, I suppose, who understand these terms and you thank that can be --
- A. I'm sorry, I don't quite understand what you mean by "average efficiency."
- Q. Possibly we are not on the right track here.

 Hold on just a second, let me talk to....

I think what we are getting to here is this.

What would be the harm in saying something like -inserting a sentence that would say a reception center
is a place where final evacuation is -- where the
evacuees are contained -- I'm not sure what even the
wording would be right now, but what would be wrong with
inserting a sentence like that in there?

A. I see no harm in it, if you are speaking of harm. It would simply add to the words in the document, and I don't see that adding those words would do much in addition, because as I pointed out, in addition to people

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already knowing the meanings of those words out of context, having them in context ought to add to what is already known.

MR. GROESCH: We have no further questions.

JUDGE WOLFE: Mr. Turk?

MR. TURK: The Staff has no questions.

JUDGE WOLFE: Mr. Cassidy?

MR. CASSIDY: I have a few questions, Your

Honor.

CROSS-EXAMINATION

BY MR. CASSIDY:

Q. Dr. Klare, in Ms. Duplessis' testimony the other day she had indicated that several sections, I believe four all together, that she had applied the Fry readability scale to.

You testified earlier with regard to the random selection process in Fry. Does Fry define how a section should be randomly selected?

A. No. He simply says, "select randomly," and the common meaning of the term "randomly" or "random" in the case of selection is do not pick particular paragraphs which you think will have some particular value, because, of course, if you do, then you can't get a meaningful average. You get a biased average.

In her particular case she picked one, which

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in her own testimony, she admitted had names, for example, of several syllables, which would raise the syllable count, and would therefore not add to in a reliable way the kind of information needed to get an average.

She selected material from the section here called "What Radiation Is."

- I think you've answered the question. I think it's been all explained before.
 - All right.
- With regard to the specific paragraphs that she selected, did you do any analysis since she has testified as to whether or not her assessment of the grade level of those samples were correct?
 - No, I didn't recompute those.
- Okay. Just based on your expertise, would you disagree with the grade levels that she reached on those particular samples?
 - I would for "Try This Example."

For the section, "What Radiation Is," no, I think that is a fair characterization. I believe she said high seven.

On the basis of a complete analysis, I wouldn't say high seven, but I would say seven.

- Which one was it that you disagreed with?
- "Try This Example." A.

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Well, I have an analysis here for that. My A. analysis of the complete paragraph says that it is sixth grade level; that is, exclusive of the material around it.

I believe on that page -- or that panel, and correct me if I'm wrong, but in your earlier testimony, I believe you stated that for that panel it was a fifth grade reading level?

- That's correct.
- And when you stated "that panel," do you mean that entire section down the side of the map or just that top panel?
- No. I mean this entire section down to the A. break.
- Okay. What I'm curious about as a result of Ms. Duplessis' testimony and your rebuttal is how does one get fifth grade level when you've got seventh grade level for this particular passage or -- did you say seventh grade?
 - Sixth grade, yes.
- Does that mean that some of those other sections are lower, like third grade?
 - Yes, it does.
 - When you'd arrived at your average, did you 0.

just take a mathematical --

A. Yes, I looked at the individual paragraphs, of course, but I simply got an average for the section. which is usually the most meaningful way to do it, because even though there may be some variation, the chances are that that degree of variation, the kind I just mentioned, is not going to be significance in the over-all average.

The average is a better value.

Q. Okay. With regard to the use of repetition,
Mr. Lookabaugh, the FEMA witness, had testified that he
thought repetition was a good characteristic, as you have.

Ms. Duplessis indicated that at some point repetition ceases to become useful.

Why, in your opinion, is it a desirable quality here?

A. Well, I think it is a desirable quality for several reasons. It is the most important information, for one thing.

If one uses it several places, even a scanning reader is likely to see it, someone who doesn't read the entire booklet.

In addition, if you want to get material into long-term memory, if you want to encourage people to remember something that could be useful to them at the time of the emergency, that probably is the most important

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single thing.

So repetition does indeed help people get something from what is called short-term memory into long-term memory.

If the repetition was eliminated from the brochure, you would have a somewhat shorter document; isn't that correct?

That's correct. A.

Q. In weighing the advantages of a shorter document with less words and the ability of the reader to understand against the use of repetition, which in your professional opinion would be a better approach?

A. I think the better approach is to use the repetition.

Q. Why?

A Because that way the most important item or items of information are singled out.

Q. Let me interrupt you for a second.

Wouldn't it also stand out more if in a shorter document where it may not be repeated, but in a more condensed document it could be made to stand out in some manner, larger print, et cetera?

A. Let me see if I understand your question.

You are saying wouldn't it be still more
effective; is that what you are saying?

Q. I'm just asking if, in your opinion, whether it would be or not. Obviously, Ms. Duplessis thinks that it would be.

A. Yes. Well, I don't see that the amount of repetition here is such that it makes the document significantly longer.

In other words, I think that the use of repetition far outweighs its value -- that is, far

outweighs the value to be gained by eliminating that repetition, because especially in the case of the radio and TV information that is especially important.

MR. CASSIDY: No further questions.

JUDGE WOLFE: Mr. Churchill, redirect?

MR. CHURCHILL: I have no further questions,

Your Honor.

JUDGE WOLFE: Are there Board questions?

BOARD EXAMINATION

BY JUDGE JORDAN:

Q With respect to the panels on the back, and I remember your saying that the last panel, "What Radiation Is," will be moved over to the first column, at least three more columns.

Now, the first column, then, following "What Radiation Is," at least the first headline is "Emergency Action Plans."

Now, does that refer to that paragraph which it heads, ending at the next paragraph, "Will An Emergency Affect You," or does it refer to all three of the columns on that page?

A. Yes, Your Honor, it refers to all the ther columns on that page.

JUDGE JORDAN: All right. That's all.

BY JUDGE JORDAN:

Q Well, in any event, why wouldn't it be much better either to have the headline centered on the page in such a way that it obviously refers to all of them or have it be considerably larger type than the others?

A. Well, certainly, there would be no reason we could not increase that headline size. My opinion would be that it would be better to leave it at the beginning of those panels rather than center it over the three.

That would be my judgment.

Q. Whether it interferes with the understanding or not, I am not at the moment, certainly, trying to judge; but there certainly was confusion in my mind as to what that headline referred to.

But whether that confusion, as I say, is significant or not, I don't know.

I presume your conclusion is that it will not interfere significantly with the understanding of the document?

A. Yes, that is my judgment, Your Honor. I think especially in view of the fact that the heading, the phrases, "Protect Your Breathing, Shelter in Place, and Evacuate" are of the size they are in their respective headings.

JUDGE JORDAN: All right. That's all I have.

JUDGE FOREMAN: I just have a couple of questions.

BOARD EXAMINATION

BY JUDGE FOREMAN:

Q. Dr. Klare, I was impressed about the large amount of discussion there was about print size and eye-catching capability and so forth, and just for my own point of view.

As I open up the booklet, the eye-catching phrase that appears to me is "A Message to Our Friends and Neighbors."

That is much more eye-catching that the "What To Do When One Hears the Outdoor Sirens." Was it intended that things be that way?

A. Well, that is a good point, Your Honor. I think, as was indicated, as Judge Wolfe indicated, it would be useful to increase the size of the other heading, and I do have to agree that would be better.

I had not, I'll admit, seen it relative to the headline, "A Message to Our Neighbors and Friends," as you are pointing out here.

I think if we were to increase the size of the heading, "What To Do If You Hear the Outdoor Sirens," it would be a benefit in the booklet.

JUDGE FOREMAN: Thank you. That's all I have.

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BOARD EXAMINATION

PY JUDGE WOLFE:

Doctor, in at least two places and more directly in the brochure, more specifically in the portion to the right side of the map under the caption, "What To Do If You Are Told to Evacuate," at Point No. 5 there is a precautionary sentence there, "Do not go to your children's school to pick them up," and that's in heavy bold print.

In a less specific manner, under the caption,
"What To Do If You Hear the Outdoor Sirens," it states,
"If you have children in school, they will be taken to
the reception center for their school."

Now, with that as a backdrop or background, I understand that you have changed the wording on the chart from "Schools and Pickup Points" to "Schools and Other Pickup Points."

In your opinion, since in at least two places it more or less specifically states, "Do not go to your children's schools to pick them up," isn't it confusing if someone were to read the chart and it says, "Schools and Other Pickup Points"?

Wouldn't someone think, "Well, when they tell us not to go to school to pick up children, and 7 go to the chart, they have the caption 'Schools and Other Pickup Points"? Would you comment?

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- A. I do see your point in saying that. Certainly, we would not want to encourage people to go to the schools, as you indicated. They are pickup points, of course. All schools are pickup points.
- Q. Would it be better, for example -- I don't know -- just to have the caption, instead of being "Schools and Other Pickup Points," just to have the caption "Pickup Points"?
- there would be the possibility that people might wonder why there were schools there in the list in that case.
 - Q. Yes.
- A. And I suppose one has to balance that against the notion that they can serve as pickup points
- Q Well, for example, when you -- on the chart under A2, under the column "Schools," and what will be "Other Pickup Points," there is listed, for example, St. Charles High School; right?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. All right. There is an emergency situation, and the parents understand that they're not to go to schools to pick up their children, but instead go to reception centers.

Well, now, what if there is an emergency, and a parent, understanding that he or she is not to go

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to a school to pick up a child or children, that they see St. Charles High School listed under A2? I'm a little bit confused.

Are they not to go to the high school to pick up their children? But it is a pickup point. I don't -- I'm a little bit confused there.

A. I can see your point. Were they to go, they would probably find their children had already been taken to a reception center, since they will be the first ones to move. So they would not be successful in getting them, and this would simply add to the confusion, which is the reason they're encouraged not to go.

But I do see your point, that by including the -- I believe -- that by rutting the term "schools" there along with "pickup points," instead of just using the heading "pickup points," that they might think, contrary to the intent or the instructions, that they could still do that.

That's what you were suggesting, I believe.

Q. Well, I'm asking your opinion. I'm not suggesting anything.

A. Yes. Well, I think it's a good suggestion, as a matter of fact. I don't see now why we couldn't make that change. I think it would be a relatively simple one to change.

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Certainly we should take it under considera-

JUDGE WOLFE: All right. Mr. Groesch, cross on Board questions?

MR. GROESCH: No, Your Honor.

JUDGE WOLFE: Mr. Turk?

MR. TURK: Two brief questions, Dr. Klare.

RECROSS-EXAMINATION

BY MR. TURK:

In line with Dr. Foreman's and Dr. Jordan's question concerning the size of the type and titles and to which columns titles refer. If you look at the second panel -- what appears as the second panel though it will become the third panel, the panel begins, "How will you be told about the emergency," the bottom paragraph there is captioned, "What are the actions you might need to take," am I right in assuming that that caption, "What are the actions that you might need to take," refers to the following panel?

Yes, it does, in fact. Of course, since the phrases -- the relevant phrases are in boldface within the paragraph, I would hope the reader would give them increased emphasis, and then upon seeing them there, recognize those same phrases in the next headings to follow.

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Q. Do you think that the brochure might be made more clear if the type face in the title, "What are the actions that you might need to take," were to be made larger than the type face in the captions which appear on the next panel --

A. Well --

Q -- so as to cue the reader to the fact that this is an introductory paragraph to the next panel?

A. -- it's certainly worth considering. Another possibility might be simply to use some way of emphasizing the word "actions." I think something other than all capitals, because we'd like to save that kind of emphasis for the particular phrases that are likely to be heard over the emergency broadcast system.

But I see no reason we could not increase the size of type there. I think we would have to, as was pointed out, in the case of "What to do if you hear the outdoor sirens" -- probably have to go to a second line, if we were to do that, because the heading currently takes up the entire line.

So, again, I think it's something we ought to consider, at least. I was suggesting an alternative by somehow emphasizing the word "actions," which might be done in bolder face, or perhaps -- I don't think we'd want to use italics. Italics are generally not read as

rapidly, although a single italicized item would make very little difference.

But would you -- Well, we'll certainly take it under consideration; and I do see your point. It does, in fact, refer to the following three.

Q One other question I wanted to ask you concerns the title of the chart for schools and other pickup points, as that title, you indicate, has now been revised to read.

Are you aware of why the title includes the word "schools"? What judgment was made that that word should appear there?

Mell, the reason initially was that people might need to know whether the schools that their children go to are on the map or not. But I don't think that probably is as critical a need at this point, since that was discussed earlier, so I don't think it's probably as critical a reason for keeping that term in the heading, as it was initially.

Q. Are you aware of whether or not the inclusion of the word "schools" in that title was decided upon so that members of the public might realize that all schools are, in fact, pickup points? Have you ever given that consideration?

A. Yes. We did, in fact, talk about that. They

must be pickup points, of course, in the sense that the children are picked up at those schools and taken to their own reception centers.

So, yes, that would --

- Q Well, not just children, but, in fact, any adult who needs transportation could go to a school and be picked up there and brought to a reception center?
- A. Right. Indeed, yes. We did consider that, and the schools would still remain, whether the word "schools" was taken out of the heading or not. Those schools would remain pickup points.

Is that what you're referring to?

- Q Yes. I think my point was a little more direct, in fact. I was curious to know whether you had heard --
 - A. Yes --
 - Q Perhaps you hadn't.
 - A. -- I had.
- -- that one reason for including the word "schools" in the caption title there is to cue members of the public who might need transportation to go to the school. That would be a pickup point for them?
- A. Yes, it is a cue. And that's why I say that we do need to take that under consideration, whether we ought to remove the word "schools" or not.

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MR. TURK: I have no other questions.

JUDGE WOLFE: Mr. Cassidy?

MR. CASSIDY: I have no questions, Your

Honor.

JUDGE WOLFE: Redirect, Mr. Churchill?

MR. CHURCHILL: Your Honor, would it be possible to have a very short recess? Most of the Board's questions related to certain specific suggestions on the brochure, and maybe -- with a very short recess, we could discuss the Board's suggestions and maybe come up with something a little more definitive, when he resumes.

It would only take a few minutes, I'm sure.

of the parties. We've gone past our luncheon recess.

It's now 1:30. Shall we just proceed beyond your redirect and then proceed to the Board's direction to the parties when they're to file their proposed findings and conclusions of law and briefs, and then to just go on into the ten-minute -- maximum of ten-minute closing statements, and then close the record?

Is this agreeable to everyone?

MR. GROESCH: That's fine with me.

MR. CASSIDY: Your Honor, I don't think I understand Mr. Churchill's reason for requesting a break. If he has -- needs time for further questions of

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Mr. Klare, that's fine. If he's suggesting that they go out and decide whether or not they're going to implement the suggestions that the Board and some of the parties have made, I think it would be better if they spent a little bit more time giving them consideration than a ten-minute break.

JUDGE WOLFE: Mr. Churchill?

MR. CHURCHILL: Your Honor, what I wanted to do was talk to Dr. Klare and others to determine how we could be responsive to the particular suggestions that were raised in the questions by the Board.

I don't think it would take very long. Perhaps it would help ultimately in the decision in this

in mind, Mr. Churchill -- or maybe I'm reading more into what you're saying than that which you intend -- I take it that you want to consult with your people and find out whether you will on the record state that in accord with -- perhaps what Joint Intervenors propose or what the Board's questioning indicated the Board was concerned about, that Applicant is now willing to change a caption or to make it -- to put it in larger print, or to delete something.

Is that correct or not? I don't know.

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MR. CHURCHILL: Yes, sir, that's correct. I was trying to be a little evasive because I didn't want to come back with nothing.

That is what I want to do, Your Honor.

JUDGE WOLFE: Any objection to that -- to a ten-minute recess for that purpose, Mr. Groesch? We can go forward to redirect. I don't care.

MR. GROESCH: I agree with Mr. Cassidy that -you know -- I think changes really should be considered more than ten minutes.

MR. CHURCHILL: Excuse me. I'm sorry, I didn't mean to interrupt.

MR. GROESCH: Well, that's really basically what I had to say. So I would object on that grounds. I think that if there are substantial changes, I would hope that the Applicant would consider them longer than ten minutes.

MR. CHURCHILL: Your Honor --

(Bench conference.)

JUDGE WOLFE: We will have a five-minute recess for the moment.

(A short recess was taken.)

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FEMA.

We think that, as Mr. Groesch points out, that ten minutes is not sufficient time to develop what you had in mind, and further, we think that anything that's on the record as to suggestions, recommendations or just queries by the Board should also be taken into consideration by, certainly, the Joint Intervenors and by the Staff and by

JUDGE WOLFE: All right. Back on the record.

So I think we should proceed instead then to complete your redirect of Dr. Klare and then proceed immediately to the Board's directions with regard to proposed findings, conclusions of law and briefs.

All right. Proceed with your redirect of Dr. Klare.

MR. CHURCHILL: To make sure I understand,
Your Honor, you are saying that if the Applicant were at
this time, based on the Board's questioning able or willing
to agree to a modification or two to the brochure, and
that we would agree to recommend that modification to the -that is, that we would be willing now to state that we
would be willing to recommend that change to the state
and parish governments, that you would rather not hear about
that now?

JUDGE WOLFE: I would think that -- Well, I'm not going to tell you how to write your proposed findings.

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You might want to put that in your proposed findings, that the Applicant commits to doing such-and-such, and then there would be time within which for the Staff and FEMA and the Joint Intervenors to comment on that commitment, whether it goes too far, doesn't go far enough or no such commitment should be made.

I have no idea. I think time within which for the other parties to look at what you agree to do or revisions to be made should be looked at not only long and hard by you, but by the other parties as well.

MR. CHURCHILL: Your Honor, I think that's a good suggestion that is not inconsistent with the results of our discussion over the break, and on that basis I have no further questions for Dr. Klare.

JUDGE WOLFE: All right. The witness is to be permanently excused?

MR. CHURCHILL: Yes, sir. As far as from the Applicant's point of view, yes, sir.

JUDGE WOLFE: Well, no one else has indicated they wanted to ask any more questions, so the Doctor is permanently excused.

> (The witness was permanently excused.)

All right. Would the parties JUDGE WOLFE: now, in place, discuss with one another the timing for the

submission of proposed findings, conclusions of law and the time within which Applicant shall respond, have final response.

We'll go off the record now. The parties can confer. We'll hope to get a concensus. If not, we'll set the time.

(Discussion off the record.)

MR. CHURCHILL: Your Honor.

JUDGE WOLFE: Yes.

MR. CHURCHILL: The parties have conferred and we've all agreed on the schedule as specified in the regulations.

The regulations call for the Applicant to file its proposed findings 30 days after the close of the record, which is today, so that the Applicant's proposed findings would be due March 14.

The Joint Intervenors' findings, due 40 days after the close of the record, would be due March 23rd.

The Staff's findings would be due on April 4th, 1983.

In accordance to the regulations the Applicant's reply findings would be due five days after the service of the Staff's findings.

JUDGE WOLFE: All right. Pursuant to 10 CFR 2.754, the Board directs the parties to file proposed

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findings of fact, conclusions of law and briefs.

The Applicant is directed to file within 30 days after the record is closed, namely by March 14th.

The Joint Intervenors are directed to file their proposed findings of fact, conclusions of law and briefs by March 23rd.

And the Staff is directed to file these documents by April 4, 1982.

The Applicant is then directed to file its reply within five days after service of the Staff's submission.

MR. GROESCH: There is one problem that I have, Your Honor.

JUDGE WOLFE: Yes.

MR. GROESCH: I would like to ask that a free transcript be provided of these hearings of whatever the days were, the four days, under 10 CFR 2.750, Part C, which provides a Hearing Officer can provide free transcripts to one party in the hearings.

That would be the only time constraint I would have. Otherwise, I would have to wait for --

JUDGE WOLFE: You missed an asterisk.

MR. GROESCH: Pardon?

JUDGE WOLFE: You missed an asterisk in that

section.

MR. GROESCH: The asterisk says that,
"Transcripts will be made available to a party at the
same time and location as it is made available to the NRC
Staff." Is that it?

JUDGE WOLFE: No, the asterisk, as I see it, reads, "This paragraph is suspended until further action of the Commission."

So you will not be provided with a free transcript.

MR. GROESCH: I'm not sure when they would come into the public document room. The last hearings that we had, Judge Jordan was kind enough to let me have his transcripts.

Certainly I don't feel that it would be my place to ask that at this point, but that would be my only constrictions on time.

JUDGE WOLFE: Yes. We'll go off the record for a moment.

(Discussion off the record.)

JUDGE WOLFE: All right. These proposed findings, conclusions of law and briefs, you are directed to file by the dates that the Board has set forth; and as we indicated at the close of the original hearing, you should read, certainly, Section 2.754(c), which sets out what the proposed findings of fact should contain.

As we pointed out at the close of the record during the initial -- after the initial hearing, these proposed findings should not summarize pleadings and filing dates; they should not summarize testimony; they should not summarize prior rulings in the case, except where necessary; they should set forth in declarative sentences and use the active voice.

Uncontroverted findings should be set forth first; ultimate findings of fact should be supported by subsidiary findings.

Staff and the Joint Intervenors should where possible incorporate by reference Applicant's proposed findings with which they really do not disagree.

Further, with regard to the briefs, the parties should file these briefs discussing the important issues and then how they should be resolved.

The briefs should set forth the captioned contentions, discuss the reasons and issues by the contention or contentions should be resolved in favor of the submitting party, and should cite controlling statutes and case law and should cite the supporting findings of fact by number.

We will now hear closing statements directed to and solely directed to the limited issue upon which we've been hearing evidence for the last four days.

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JUDGE WOLFE: All right. Mr. Churchill, you may go first.

MR. CHURCHILL: Your Honor, my closing remarks are very brief.

As you know, we are assembled here to discuss the contents of the brochure, and the Applicant has put into evidence the brochure which will be distributed by the state and parish agencies in the area surrounding Waterford 3.

many months and long, long hours involving the input of many different people and the concurrence and agreement of a number of different state and local agencies.

We have engaged expert help extensively, both from a sociological point of view with respect to the types of information systems and how people respond to emergencies through Dr. Mileti, and through making sure that the brochure is readable to as many people as is practicable so that we can still get the message across without compromising the message.

We've heard testimony that this brochure from that point of view is higher in readability, that is, designed for a lower educational level, than any other brochure for any other nuclear plant in the country.

In addition, we've heard testimony that it

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wasn't -- that in attempting to improve and increase the readability a great deal of other factors went into it of a very sophisticated nature, everything from considering words that will be best understood by more people of lower educational achievement, to considering such concepts as making sure that information is presented in blocks or in tab form, rather than just straight text, paying close attention to type size, headlines, giving a great deal of attention to the format of the brochure, the sizes of charts and maps, trying to simplify maps and charts as much as possible, and so on.

We have, additionally, considered very carefully the comments of all parties, certainly FEMA and the NRC. And we have considered the comments to the extent that we knew them from the Joint Intervenors, based not only on their testimony but on previous affidavits.

We have provided the expert testimony of Dr. Klare, which was that we have carefully considered all of the Joint Intervenors' comments, have adopted some and where we have rejected others, we have so testified and given the reasons why in the best professional judgment of Dr. Klare, it would be preferable not to adopt those particular comments.

We believe that this is indeed a good brochure that adequately and, in fact, in an exemplary

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fashion, presents in a clear, straightforward and understandable manner the information which we believe is required by the NRC regulations.

And as has been testified by the witnesses from FEMA and indeed the NRC as well, the brochure does, in fact, meet the guidance and criteria contained in NUREG-0654.

Consequently, we feel that the Board will have no difficulty in passing on the acceptability of the emergency information brochure for the area surrounding the Waterford 3 plant.

JUDGE WOLFE: Mr. Groesch, a closing statement.

MR. GROESCH: Yes, Your Honor.

I probably will not use up the whole ten minutes.

I would hate to see this brochure if the Joint Intervenors had not taken a long, hard look at this brochure.

We have been ruled from discussing the brochure in the context with the other communication systems that the Applicant and the Joint Intervenors had litigated prior to this point.

We believe that we should have been allowed the opportunity to have looked at that as an integral

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whole.

However, let me talk about the brochure a little bit. We have on record at this point the number 2909 people who will not be able to use the brochure in the St. John and the St. Charles area.

The only testimony that we have that the people will get this information was from Dr. Klare who said that it was his knowledge that -- from some studies that illiterates and people who don't read very well get information from other sources. I think that this is a very, very dangerous thing for this Board to feel that information of this sort will be passed on to people who can't read.

We still -- and the only way to really litigate that, in my opinion, would be to view the entire communications system as a whole, as I said previously.

However, one of the things that I believe that the Joint Intervenors have shown in this case is that designing a document is a very difficult task. And in fact, the parties in this case that I believe -- that has distressed me so much has not been Louisiana Power & Light, who I think has put together a lot of effort on this brochure, possibly not as much effort if we hadn't prodded them.

But to me it's a question -- the government

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people -- and especially the FEMA people -- seem to have absolutely no interest in imparting information. The FEMA witness, Mr. Lookabaugh, believed that it was not common sense to even check the readability of the brochure or even check the literacy levels of the area that the brochure would target.

This to me is just intolerable. And we also have evidence that the technical parts of the brochure -"What Radiation Is" is simply not technically correct,
and that the evidence shows that NUREG-0654, which requires some information about radiation does not even have to be true information about radiation.

"What Radiation Is" you could read this brochure and there is absolutely nothing in this brochure that would lead you to think that radiation could hurt you, except there could be large amounts of radiation in the air.

It mentions cancer once.

But it says radiation treats cancer. It doesn't even say that it causes cancer. It says, "Radiation does things, such as treat cancer and other helpful ways."

So I mean to me the brochure in that part simply shows that the more radiation you have, probably the less cancer you'll have. It's really unclear to me.

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I attempted to do a cross-examination of this, not even with the Applicant's people, but with the NRC people. They seemed to have no interest in passing on this kind of information.

So I was a little distressed with the government in this case. I think that they can take a better attitude about these brochures. We have a very -- a reactor that everyone knows is very close to a large population area.

Recent studies from Sandia and other places have shown that this reactor, if it had a bad accident, could really kill and hurt a lot of people.

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MR. GROESCH: However, I would like to say one thing about the Applicant in this case, and that is the first sentence in the part, "A Message To Our Friends and Neighbors," is a lie.

Everyone knows it. It was brought out clearly in this proceeding that Louisiana Power & Light prepared the brochure.

The brochure was not prepared by state and parish governments. They reviewed the brochure, and I think it should be clearly stated in "A Message To Our Friends and Neighbors" how this document came to be, because as Dr. Hunter has pointed out in her testimony that it is a very complex process of communication; you have to understand who the communicator is; you have to understand what the message is; you have to understand what the target is.

If the people of St. John and St. Charles

Parish get this and say, "This is those utility people who have lied to us about what Waterford 3 costs and they are the ones who made this up and they've got Ikey Luca and Bertram Madere in their pocket," or something like this, they are just going to think that this is nothing but a piece of junk.

So I think that the Applicant could have been much more up front about who made this brochure.

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Also, from the parishes' point of view, it appears to me that if in fact someone uses this brochure and is hurt in an evacuation from Waterford, that if I read this brochure, I would file suit against the state.

I would not file suit against Louisiana Power & Light because the state and parish governments prepared a brochure.

That's what the first sentence says, and I think it's an effort on the part of the utility to escape culpability in the case of an accident or if people have been hurt.

In the chart sections around Waterford, I think the chart is extremely small. It's extremely too much detail and the idea that you are going to put a triangle in this thing with a number in it, people aren't going to be able to find out what's going on.

So to me you could possibly just get rid of this whole map thing. If all you wanted them to do was turn on the television and radio, put out a brochure that says that.

Don't gum it up with all this stuff, especially if there's going to be more than one evacuation plan. I think there's going to be.

They've got one listed that's their primary plan, but they've got at least two or three others that

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nobody has ever seen. I'm sure that I haven't seen them, although in your partial initial decision that you did, you didn't mention that on the record that they said that they could possibly go other ways.

So it's probably a mistake to put this map on here.

I also think, and possibly it's my fault for not getting someone who is an expert in this, but reading maps is a completely different thing than reading text, and there is, I think, a lot of evidence that people don't read maps very well.

Maybe I should have brought that out more strongly, but it's difficult with limited resources.

So I think on the balance it's three orders of magnitude better than the initial one, which is similar to the one around the Grand Gulf plant, which we had seen at the last hearing, which is completely incomprehensible to anyone, I think, except possibly maybe Judge Jordan would understand it, being a physicist; but I don't think anyone in the community would understand it.

better than that, but it still has very large gaps in it, and I think that you have allowed us to talk about this in order to give some kind of semblance of justice, but I think most of the substantive parts of our contentions have

been ruled out by Board order, so although we appreciated being able to look at this. I think it's not the primary interest of the Joint Intervenors.

The last point that I would like to make -
JUDGE WOLFE: Your ten minutes has expired.

Can you finish in a half a minute or so.

MR. GROESCH: Sure. The last point I would like to make is about the special needs card, which was ruled out of the boundary of these hearings by Judge Wolfe.

I thought it was very prejudicial to the Joint Intervenors that this card should be ruled out.

The Applicant themselves have admitted that this card has been rewritten down to a lower level.

We have not been able to view this or have our reading experts look at it, and it's clearly tied to this document and prejudicial to the Joint Intervenors that we were not able to view this in totality.

JUDGE WOLFE: All right.

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JUDGE WOLFE: All right, Mr. Turk.

MR. TURK: If we look at the history of the reopened record to consider the adequacy of the brochure, it becomes clear to me at least that what has happened is the Applicant came forward with one proposed public information brochure; the parties submitted comments on the adequacy of that draft; the Joint Intervenors, in particular, were very critical of that draft. Thereafter, the Applicant withdrew the brochure, revised it, substantially taking into account the Joint Intervenors' concerns and came forward with this new revised brochure which is before us as Applicant's Exhibit 13.

The Staff has reviewed that document. We have not said that it's not said that it's perfect. We have not said that it's technically perfectly accurate. In fact, Mr. Perrotti on the stand conceded that it was not perfectly technically accurate, although he did state that for the purposes for which it was intended it does the job; it's sufficient.

As a general information brochure it satisfies NUREG-0654, and is a sufficient basis for licensing.

During the course of the last four days, we heard several suggestions as to how the brochure may be modified to make it a little bit better. I think on

balance all of the suggestions do not -- even if we look at all of the suggestions together -- they do not warrant the conclusion that the brochure is inadequate to authorize licensing.

Some of the suggestions may, in fact, be good. Hopefully, the Applicant will take into account those which may make the brochure better, so that ultimately the public does have an even better brochure than what they have now put forward and which the Staff and FEMA have stated meets the Commission's regulations and guidelines.

In particular, let me respond briefly to a few of Mr. Groesch's comments. First, he comments on the problem of persons who don't speak English well and the problem of illiterates.

I think it's obvious from reading NUREG-0654 and the Commission's regulations that there are no special requirements which an Applicant must meet in order to have a sufficient brochure, which addresses the problems of such persons.

There is no requirement that brochures be printed in other languages. There is no requirement that brochures come out with pictographs, if that's a word, as opposed to words for people who aren't able to read words.

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In addition, Mr. Groesch has commented upon the positions taken by Mr. Lookabaugh and Mr. Perrotti. He states that Mr. Lookabaugh testified that common sense did not lead to a requirement in this case that the literacy rates in the area -- or in the target population in the area be particularly considered.

Now, it's correct that Mr. Lookabaugh did testify to that general proposition. But as Mr. Lookabaugh noted, the brochure itself has been passed on by the state and local officials who certainly are more familiar with the general population down here than reviewers back in Washington or in Texas, in FEMA's Region VI.

In addition, Mr. Groesch faults the NRC for allowing the document to go forward with technical inaccuracies concerning radiation. Again, I would note that as Mr. Perrotti testified, the brochure does the job. It's not a brochure intended as a textbook on radiation.

It's not something which is intended for nuclear energy officials in this state or in the parishes to rely upon for their understanding of radiation or for what may be needed during an emergency.

It's something that goes out to the general public. And from that perspective, as Mr. Perrotti, I

believe, testified, it does the job.

I think, having spent four days here, that -I have one regret; and that is, that all the different
concerns could not have been addressed by the parties
working together so that we might have stipulated to the
adequacy of the brochure, in which all comments had been
addressed.

At this time, however, I think, following our hearing on the testimony, that the decision of the Licensing Board should be that the brochure does the job; and it is sufficient, although there may be some good suggestions as to how to improve it.

I have nothing further.

JUDGE WOLFE: Mr. Cassidy.

MR. CASSIDY: May it please the Board and the other parties, I think that the -- Mr. Groesch's -- a couple of Mr. Groesch's comments are well taken in the sense that it is rather difficult to assess a portion of a whole plan in a vacuum.

I think that perhaps some of his concerns about the -- his apprehension of the government's lack of interest is in part due to the fact that here we're concerned with one particular part of a whole, taken out of context and does not necessarily account for the total picture of what the plan provides for.

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As far as the evidence that has been provided to the Board, I think taken as a whole there is a substantial amount of evidence which would allow the Board to decide that the plan -- or the brochure is in fact adequate.

When I say "adequate," I mean that it meets
the requirements of NUREG-0654, FEMA Reg. 1, which is
admittedly only guidance to the states and local
governments and the utilities; and meets, as Mr. Lookabaugh
indicated, a common sense standard which would include
the ability of the specific population to read and
comprehend the document.

I would like to take a few moments to correct what I think was a somewhat misleading statement inadvertently made by Mr. Perrotti on the stand with regard to the signing off, I believe, was the term that Judge Jordan used in his question to Mr. Perrotti of the plan.

As the Board is aware, FEMA reviews these plans at the request of the state and local governments.

The process for review is not a piecemeal process. The plan, including the public information brochure, is -- and in this case will be within the next month or so, submitted to FEMA for formal review under the signature of the Governor of the State of Louisiana.

FEMA will review the entire plan, including

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the public information brochure at the regional level.

The review will be forwarded to Washington for further review, and then passed on as a formal finding pursuant to 44 CFR Part 350, as proposed, to the NRC.

We don't do a piecemeal review of a part of the plan.

Mr. Lookabaugh's testimony here was presented as part of the memorandum of understanding between NRC and FEMA, and certainly to the extent that he does make -provide opinion as to the adequacy of the plan is correct, and that is the Agency's position.

I just wanted to clarify that and distinguish as opposed to a final sign-off on a specific portion of the plan, because we just don't do that; but as a whole I think that the evidence before the Board, including the testimony of Mr Lookabaugh is that the plan does meet the standards, that it is in fact -- that the brochure meets the standards.

It is in fact a good document and that the Board can so find, based on the evidence that's been presented.

JUDGE WOLFE: All right. The hearing record now is formally closed, and we now stand adjourned.

(Whereupon, the hearing was closed at 2:20 p.m.)

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