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5	In the Matter of:
6	LONG ISLAND LIGHTING COMPANY : Docket No. 50-322-01
7	(Shoreham Nuclear Power Station):
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10	Bethesda, Maryland
11	Thursday, December 2, 1982
12	The hearing in the above-entitled matter
13	convened, pursuant to notice, at 9:03 a.m.
14	BEFORE:
15	LAWRENCE BRENNER, Chairman
16	Administrative Judge
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18	JAMES CARPENTER, Member
19	Administrative Judge
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21	PETER A. MORRIS, Member
22	Administrative Judge
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2	WITNESSES:	DIRECT	CROSS	REDIRECT	RECROSS	BOARD
3	Edward J. Youngling,					
4	Arthur R. Muller and					
5	Joseph M. Kelly (Resumed By Mr. Dynner)			15,161	
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1	PROCEEDINGS
2	(9:03 a.m.)
3	JUDGE BRENNER: We are ready to begin. We
4	have no preliminary matters. If none of the parties
5	have any, we will complete the followup cross
6	examination by the County. It is 9:03.
7	Whereupon,
8	EDWARD J. YOUNGLING
9	ARTHUR R. MULLER
10	AND
11	JOSEPH M. KELLY
12	resumed the stand and were further examined and
13	testified as follows:
14	RECROSS EXAMINATION Continued
15	BY MR. DYNNER:
16	Q Gentlemen, I'm going to ask you a few
17	questions following up the testimony that you gave in
18	response yesterday to a line of questions which was
19	asked, in the main by Judge Carpenter, concerning
20	consumables. And the reference for this is Appendix
21	12.1, page 32 of 32 to SP 12.019.01, which is the SP on
22	procurement of parts, materials, components and services.
23	Mr. Youngling, for your convenience and that
	of the Board and the other parties, you may turn to page

25 15,029 of the transcript of yesterday in which you had a

- 1 colloquy with Judge Carpenter and testified that with
- 2 respect to consumables, and in particular transistors,
- 3 that there was no way that LILCO could procure a
- 4 safety-related transistor because, at least in part as I
- 5 read your testimony, there is no manufacturer of
- 6 transistors which has a quality assurance program that
- 7 complies with Appendix B of 10 CFR Part 50.
- 8 Is that a correct synopsis of your testimony?
- 9 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) Yes. I stated that there
- 10 were no vendors that we were aware of that had -- I'm
- 11 sorry -- would have Appendix B programs or be able to
- 12 accept Appendix B programs to the extent necessary to
- 13 supply us with safety-related transistors or other type
- 14 electronic devices.
- 15 Q Mr. Youngling, has LILCO made an effort or a
- 16 search to letermine whether there are such manufacturers
- 17 that produce such equipment or parts?
- 18 (Panel of witnesses conferring.)
- 19 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) Yes, we have made an
- 20 effort, and as has the entire industry made an effort to
- 21 seek out. As I mentioned, it just isn't there.
- 22 Q In the course of this effort did LILCO look
- 23 into the quality assurance programs by manufacturers of
- 24 transistors and other similar electronic components who
- 25 provide those parts to the space program?

- 1 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) Not that I am aware of.
- 2 (Counsel for Suffolk County conferring.)
- 3 Q In the course of the efforts made by LILCO did
- 4 you examine the possibility of purchasing transistors or
- 5 other similar what you call consumables that are
- 6 manufactured to mill specs?
- 7 (Panel of witnesses conferring.)
- 8 JUDGE BRENNER: This is going very slow. I'm
- 9 not sure if you finished your question.
- MR. DYNNER: I did indeed.
- 11 WITNESS YOUNGLING: Not that I'm aware of, no.
- 12 BY MR. DYNNER: (Resuming)
- 13 Q Is LILCO aware that the mill spec program has
- 14 been in existence for over 20 years?
- (Panel of witnesses conferring.)
- 16 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) We've been aware of its
- 17 existence, not whether it's been 20 years or 10 years.
- 18 Q Are you aware that items such as and including
- 19 transistors and the other consumables manufactured in
- 20 accordance with mill specs are manufactured in
- 21 accordance with quality assurance programs approved by
- 22 the Department of Defense?
- 23 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) Approved by the
- 24 Department of Defense? Yes.
- 25 (Counsel for Suffolk County conferring.)

- 1 Q Mr. Youngling, you further testified, if you
- 2 turn to 15,030, you said to the best of your knowledge
- 3 manufacturers treat the situation exactly the same way
- 4 as we do, and you were speaking there to the way that
- 5 manufacturers procure resistors or transistors or
- 6 potentiometers or components, is that correct?
- 7 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) What page was that?
- 8 Q I'm on 15,029 and 15,030.
- 9 (Pause.)
- 10 You see Judge Carpenter's question on line 21
- 11 on 15,029 and on the next page your response?;
- 12 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) As I testified, to the
- 13 best of my knowledge the manufacturers treat the
- 14 situation exactly the same as we do, yes.
- 15 Q Mr. Youngling, have you or LILCO made an
- 16 investigation or examination into the way manufacturers
- 17 procure transistors and other similar items for
- 18 installation into safety-related equipment?
- 19 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) We have had discussions,
- 20 and in particular, we've had discussions with the
- 21 General Electric Company on component parts, to the
- 22 subcomponent level on circuit boards, yes.
- 23 (Counsel for Suffolk County conferring.)
- 24 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) I would also like to add
- 25 in the discussion about mill specs, as this appendix

- 1 says, we will purchase the replacement consumables with
- 2 an equal quality or a better quality. So if a mill spec
- 3 had been referenced in the document, it would have been
- 4 purchased to a mill spec if it had been.
- 5 Q Mr. Youngling, there are other factors in your
- 6 procedure -- that is, the SP 12.019.01 -- which go into
- 7 the procurement of safety-related items besides the fact
- 8 safety-related items must have a source with an
- 9 appropriate QA program, aren't there?
- 10 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) The program does discuss
- 11 the procurement of safety-related items, and there must
- 12 be an appropriate level of quality assurance program,
- 13 yes.
- 14 Q In addition to the appropriate level of
- 15 quality assurance there are a variety of specified
- 16 methods by which safety-related items must be procured,
- 17 isn't that correct?
- (Panel of witnesses conferring.)
- 19 MR. ELLIS: May I ask if he could just go
- 20 ahead and refer him to the spot so we could save time?
- 21 JUDGE BRENNER: Yes. You know, we are way
- 22 past the point of general questions. You're within your
- 23 last few minutes of focusing, and I want you to focus
- 24 him on something and challenge him with it. These are
- 25 followup questions.

- 1 MR. DYNNER: Okay.
- BY MR. DYNNER: (Resuming)
- 3 Q If you turn to paragraph 8.2 of your procedure
- 4 you will see that there are particular methods and
- 5 documentation requirements for safety-related
- 6 purchases. There are particularly four different
- 7 methods which are specified for particular types of
- 8 items, and in accordance with paragraph 8.1.6 covering
- 9 nonsafety-related purchases, any one of those four
- 10 methods can be used that are specified in paragraph 8.2
- 11 except that no quality assurance review is required, and
- 12 the vendor quality evaluation approval is not required.
- Now, Mr. Youngling, it is correct, isn't it,
- 14 that even if you could not find a vendor which had the
- 15 appropriate quality assurance program, if you wanted to
- 16 apply a higher level of concern with regard to safety to
- 17 parts which are to be installed in safety-related
- 18 equipment such as transistors, that you could apply
- 19 various other parts of your program to that procurement,
- 20 such as you could say that particular methods must be
- 21 used for the procurement. You could require that the
- 22 quality assurance section review the procurement
- 23 documents. In other words, you could treat these
- 24 consumables in the same way as safety-related items if
- 25 you wanted to but for the fact that there would not be a

- 1 vendor quality evaluation approval, isn't that correct?
- 2 (Panel of witnesses conferring.)
- 3 MR. ELLIS: Though time is short, I do want to
- 4 note for the record my objection to the question as
- 5 being compound and confusing.
- 6 JUDGE BRENNER: It is compound. I will let
- 7 the witnesses decide if it is confusing.
- 8 (Panel of witnesses conferring.)
- 9 WITNESS YOUNGLING: The attributes that you
- 10 mentioned would not have to be applied. There would be
- 11 adequate review of the purchasing process by the reviews
- 12 done by the responsible section head and by other
- 13 members of the technical staff. It wouldn't be
- 14 necessary.
- In addition, if we were to impose upon the
- 16 vendors safety-related requirements, parts of the
- 17 Appendix B program for transistors, we would find that
- 18 we would not find a vendor who would respond to the
- 19 purchase order or to the request for purchase. They are
- 20 just not there.
- 21 BY MR. DYNNER: (Resuming)
- 22 Q Mr. Youngling, I understand you feel it is not
- 23 necessary, and my question was a bit convoluted, so let
- 24 me ask one last question of you. Aside from vendor
- 25 quality evaluation approval, if you wanted to, you could

- 1 do more in terms of the requirements for the procurement
- 2 of these consumable items, couldn't you?
- 3 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) What we have specified in
- 4 the procedure is an adequate level of review, and that
- 5 is what is in there, and that is what is done, and that
- 6 will give us the appropriate product.
- 7 MR. DYNNER: No further questions, except I
- 8 would like to, with the Board's permission, at this
- 9 point move into evidence SC Exhibit 77 which is the --
- 10 these are basically the staffing documents that we asked
- 11 questions on. SC 77, 83, 85 and 86.
- 12 Do you want me to identify those?
- JUDGE BRENNER: I've got the list, but I do
- 14 better when I have them in front of me. I have 85 and
- 15 86.
- 16 MR. DYNNER: SC Exhibit 77 was the EEI nuclear
- 17 plant staffing survey of May 1980.
- JUDGE BRENNER: And what was 83?
- 19 MR. DYNNER: And SC 83 was the station
- 20 operational quality assurance section planning report
- 21 which is dated May 1980 to July 1982.
- JUDGE BRENNER: Any objections?
- MR. ELLIS: Yes. May I have a moment, please,
- 24 Judge Brenner?
- 25 (Pause.)

- 1 MR. ELLIS: Judge Brenner, I deliberately did
- 2 not ask questions on one of the exhibits because it was
- 3 not in evidence. I would like an opportunity to ask a
- 4 question about SC 77 if it is going to be admitted into
- 5 evidence; and I would object to it on that basis.
- 6 That's the EEI nuclear plant staff survey.
- 7 JUDGE BRENNER: I will let you ask your
- 8 question. I don't understand your position that you
- 9 didn't ask a question because it wasn't in evidence.
- 10 Questions were asked about it, and people were free to
- 11 ask questions even when it was an exhibit for
- 12 identification; so I don't fully appreciate your point
- 13 without knowing the detail of your question, so it's
- 14 hard for me to appreciate the point in advance.
- 15 But if that is your only problem, I will let
- 16 you ask the question.
- 17 MR. DYNNER: Judge Brenner, I would like the
- 18 opportunity then to do recross if he's going to start
- 19 questioning again on the document.
- 20 MR. ELLIS: My problem with that, Judge, is
- 21 that by moving it into evidence, there now may be
- 22 figures in other parts of the report that are going to
- 23 be cited, and there has been no examination on those
- 24 other parts.
- JUDGE BRENNER: Why do you want 77 in

- 1 evidence? If it is just for the numbers that you asked
- 2 him about, you already have in evidence that these are
- 3 the numbers of staffing at these other plants.
- 4 MR. DYNMER: Judge Brenner, these are the
- 5 documents which LILCO provided, you will recall,
- 6 originally.
- 7 JUDGE BRENNER: Wait a minute. I'm asking a
- 8 very practical question, because you may already have
- 9 everything in evidence that you need. And I don't know
- 10 what Mr. Ellis' abstract problem is yet either.
- 11 MR. DYNNER: I think it is a document that was
- 12 relied upon, as the witnesses testified in part, in
- 13 determining their staffing levels; and, therefore, it
- 14 seems to me that they didn't say they only relied upon
- 15 particular portions. When they filed their prefiled
- 18 testimony they said that this was what they relied upon
- 17 in staffing. Therefore, I think that the document as a
- 18 whole is certainly relevant to the evidence.
- JUDGE BRENNER: Well, we have had an approach
- 20 in this proceeding that we don't just admit total
- 21 documents willy-nilly and then find out later that
- 22 particular points are going to be relied on, because if
- 23 there is any confusion, we would like to take advantage
- 24 of witnesses being here to answer questions about it.
- 25 And I think we have had extensive questioning

- 1 on this report. You have already got everything on the
- 2 record that you're going to need. But I will be happy
- 3 to hear as to what else you have in mind in terms of
- 4 moving it into evidence.
- 5 I'm not going to let somebody challenge the
- 6 numbers in here that we used in cross examinations or
- 7 questions by the Board or other parties are not accurate
- 8 because none of the witnesses raised that. So if that
- 9 is your problem, don't worry about it. But there was
- 10 some confusion in the way some of the organizations were
- 11 subdivided by the different reporting entities, and
- 12 questions were asked about some of those. Questions
- 13 that were not asked I don't want in the record.
- 14 MR. DYNNER: I think the questions were asked
- 15 concerning, as I recall, most of the parts of this
- 16 survey that relate to QA/QC. I'm certainly not
- 17 interested in introducing the parts into evidence that
- 18 talk about health physics and chemistry, those parts,
- 19 but they form a part of each page, and each page does
- 20 detail with various kinds of totals at the bottom and of
- 21 who is included and who is not included in the QA/QC
- 22 program, and the first page asterisks which were
- 23 questioned upon.
- 24 It just seems to me that in making our
- 25 findings it would be much more convenient for all of the

- 1 parties to have this document available to analyze, and
- 2 I don't see what the objection is.
- 3 JUDGE BRENNER: Well, my problem -- and I'm
- 4 not sure what the objection is -- but my problem is I
- 5 don't want to find little details in this document later
- 6 that were not focused on in the hearing. And we asked
- 7 everything. This document has become more and more
- 8 collateral in my mind as the questioning has gone on,
- 9 and I might indicate that. And I think anything you are
- 10 going to need from it is already in the record.
- 11 What question would you want to ask, Mr.
- 12 Ellis, if we admitted it?
- 13 MR. ELLIS: Judge Brenner, I would want to ask
- 14 about the footnotes that there was some confusion
- 15 about. We had explanations for those. And then I would
- 16 also ask, of course, a question whether with those
- 17 clarifications it was still supportive of the level. I
- 18 think the Board has, given the way the questioning went,
- 19 the nature of the fact that its being collateral may be
- 20 accurate; but I think that --
- 21 JUDGE BRENNER: I didn't say it wasn't also
- 22 pertinent, so be careful.
- 23 MR. ELLIS: I would want an opportunity to ask
- 24 some questions.
- 25 JUDGE BRENNER: I don't fully understand that

- 1 either because the footnotes were asked about, and that
- 2 was their game, for you to ask already if you had a
- 3 problem with that whether or not it was in evidence
- 4 already.
- What about the other exhibits?
- 6 MR. ELLIS: Exhibit 83, we have no objection
- 7 to that, although we point out again that there is a
- 8 great deal in that exhibit that was not inquired into.
- 9 Exhibit 85 we object to. That was the exhibit that was
- 10 never used or submitted as testified to. The author was
- 11 not here.
- JUDGE BRENNER: Whose fault is that?
- 13 MR. ELLIS: Well, that -- if I may speak about
- 14 that, we were asked what documents there were. I didn't
- 15 produce that document because we used it or relied on
- 16 it. I projuced that document because I told them to go
- 17 out there and dig up whatever they could find, and when
- 18 it came down here, I produced it. And if at that point
- 19 in time I should have brought Mr. Rose down here, then
- 20 I'm in error.
- JUDGE BRENNER: I didn't say you should have.
- 22 I just don't want you to use that objection with
- 23 somebody you were in full control of and had plenty of
- 24 time to bring him here if you wanted to.
- 25 MR. ELLIS: Well, this was a document that has

- 1 been testified to that was sitting in his drawer and he
- 2 wasn't aware of until I sent him back up there to look
- 3 for documents.
- 4 JUDGE BRENNER: What about 86?
- MR. ELLIS: 86 we have no objection to. That
- 6 is the document prepared by Mr. Muller.
- 7 MR. DYNNER: Do you want to hear from me on
- 8 this?
- 9 JUDGE BRENNER: No. We're going to admit them
- 10 all. We would admit them all into evidence. I'm not
- 11 sure on the difference with respect to 85, Mr. Rose's
- 12 document, of leaving it for identification or admitting
- 13 into evidence. It stands for the proposition based upon
- 14 the testimony we already have that these were his
- 15 projections at the time and in the circumstances he made
- 16 them, which Mr. Muller has testified about. And I think
- 17 you've got the very same record whether it's in evidence
- 18 or not. And if these were not his projections -- that
- 19 is, if he himself thinks that there is something in
- 20 error or the way it was presented is not his projections
- 21 -- that is their problem, LILCO's problem, because that
- 22 is not a point that was ever raised.
- 23 The points raised were Mr. Muller's reasoning
- 24 as to why he made the projections he made, not that
- 25 there is some evidentiary error, and that this is not

- 1 really what Mr. Rose projected. So I don't have the
- 2 absent witness problem for that aspect.
- 3 MR. ELLIS: Well, there was testimony by Mr.
- 4 Muller that Mr. Rose did not agree with these
- 5 projections.
- 6 JUDGE BRENNER: I never heard that.
- 7 MR. ELLIS: May I have a moment then to review
- 8 the record, because it's my very firm recollection that
- 9 that is the case.
- JUDGE BRENNER: I will let you review it
- 11 after, and you can bring him in on rebuttal if you want,
- 12 because if you were going to make a point that the
- 13 author of these numbers thinks they are incorrect or
- 14 wrong as opposed to somebody who you place greater store
- 15 in at this point in time thinking they're wrong, then
- 16 that is a whole different thing, and you need Mr. Rose
- 17 here to say that and not Mr. Muller to say he thinks Mr.
- 18 Rose thinks that.
- 19 MR. ELLIS: Well, I think Mr. Muller did
- 20 testify to that, and that was one of our points. And if
- 21 it becomes necessary to bring Mr. Rose here, we will.
- JUDGE BRENNER: Mr. Muller testified he
- 23 questioned Mr. Rose, and in Mr. Muller's view, Mr. Rose
- 24 couldn't support the reasoning for some of those things;
- 25 and he admitted they were projections and guestimates to

- 1 one extent or another. But that is not the same as Mr.
- 2 Rose saying he now realizes the error of his ways and
- 3 can tell us particular mistakes he made as to them.
- 4 Okay. They are all in evidence; that is,
- 5 Suffolk County Exhibit 77, 83, 85, 86. Seventy-seven is
- 6 limited to the quality assurance/quality control aspects
- 7 of the surveys. We will let Mr. Ellis ask the questions
- 8 he wants to ask and clarify the footnote, although I
- 9 think they could have been asked earlier.
- 10 (The documents previously
- 11 marked Suffolk County
- 12 Exhibit Nos. 77, 83, 85
- and 86, respectively, for
- 14 identification were
- 15 received in evidence.)
- 16 JUDGE BRENNER: In response to your
- 17 out-of-turn comment, Mr. Dynner, which I ignored at the
- 18 time because it was out of turn, if you want to follow
- 19 up, you always have the right to follow up on whatever
- 20 questions he asks in our discretion.
- 21 MR. DYNNER: Thank you, Judge Brenner. I
- 22 apologize if I was out of turn.
- JUDGE BRENNER: Mr. Bordenick, I should have
- 24 asked you if you had a problem.
- 25 MR. BORDENICK: As usual, Judge Brenner, if I

- 1 had had a problem, I would have let you know. I have no
- 2 problem, no objection.
- 3 JUDGE BRENNER: Okay. Things proceeded
- 4 rapidly enough where I may not have given you an
- 5 opportunity to jump in, and that is why I checked.
- 6 All right. Mr. Bordenick, do you have
- 7 followup questions?
- 8 MR. BORDENICK: Yes, Judge Brenner.
- 9 BY MR. BORDENICK:
- 10 Good morning, gentlemen. Do you have a copy
- 11 of LILCO Exhibit 42 in front of you? It's transmation
- 12 model 1040, digital calibrator.
- 13 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) Yes, we do.
- 14 Q Mr. Muller, could you tell me where on that
- 15 document there is an indication, or I should say is
- 16 there an indication on that document as to whether OQA
- 17 has reviewed this particular procedure?
- 18 A (WITNESS MULLER) There is no signature by OOA
- 19 indicating a review. The procedure that requires our
- 20 written approval on each station procedure was revised
- 21 within the past four months, and this procedure was
- 22 effective 5-19-81, so our review signature does not
- 23 appear on this document.
- 24 This next revision would indicate that it was
- 25 reviewed, but this procedure was reviewed by OQA, and

- 1 that approval was documented via the ROC meeting minutes.
- JUDGE BRENNER: Let's go off the record.
- 3 (Discussion off the record.)
- 4 JUDGE BRENNER: Let's go back on the record.
- 5 BY MR. BORDENICK: (Resuming)
- 6 O Mr. Muller, would your answer be the same for
- 7 all the other procedures that were reviewed, or were all
- 8 of the other procedures reviewed by you even though your
- 9 initials or signature or whatever don't appear on them,
- 10 on the other procedures similar to the one I
- 11 specifically alluded to earlier?
- 12 A (WITNESS MULLER) Yes. For the procedures
- 13 that OQA is required to review, yes, that is correct.
- 14 We would not review some of the nonsafety-related
- 15 procedures.
- 16 Q Thank you. I'm going to move to a different
- 17 area.
- We've had a lot of questions on consumables,
- 19 and there is one aspect that I would like to follow up
- 20 on. First, let me try to summarize my understanding of
- 21 what has been said.
- The testimony has been that consumables are
- 23 bought without regard to whether they would later be
- 24 required for safety-related application. Is that a fair
- 25 summary of what has been said so far?

- 1 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) Yes, sir.
- 2 And that these consumables are then placed in
- 3 a stockpile or a storeroom or whatever, is that correct?
- 4 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) Yes. In a storecoom.
- 5 Q Then there may come a time when it will become
- 6 necessary to select let's say for example a resistor in
- 7 the stockpile for some safety-related system. When that
- 8 time comes can you tell me what, if any, engineering
- 9 considerations are given prior to the selection of the
- 10 resistor, and with particular regard to the end use
- 11 technical requirements of that resistor, the
- 12 environmental end use, environmental requirements, the
- 13 end use qualification requirements, and the end use
- 14 safety requirements?
- 15 The first question would be are there any
- 16 engineering judgments applied, and if so, what are they?
- 17 (Panel of witnesses conferring.)
- 18 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) As we testified earlier,
- 19 as soon as one of those consumables is slated or
- 20 identified for installation in a safety-related
- 21 situation, the administrative controls associated with
- 22 the maintenance work request program are initiated.
- 23 Part of those controls call for a review by, in this
- 24 particular case, the IEC supervision to assure that the
- 25 component to be installed is in accordance with the

- 1 engineering documents -- in other words, a full like
- 2 replacement or better.
- 3 As part of that engineering review
- 4 considerations for environmental qualification, safety
- 5 was another one that you mentioned. And I don't have
- 6 the third. They all would be considered, and they would
- 7 be considered through a review of the base design
- 8 documents. Once the supervision has identified the
- 9 component to be replaced, as part of the maintenance
- 10 work request administrative program they have to
- 11 identify on the stores request the component, the actual
- 12 component that they want. That component would then be
- 13 given to the workers, and only that component would be
- 14 given to the workers since that would be written on the
- 15 stores request form. And from there the component would
- 16 be installed and suitable post-testing would be
- 17 accomplished, plus any other appropriate quality
- 18 inspections.
- 19 Q Given a situation where what you have just
- 20 described is implemented, and it is determined that,
- 21 again in the case of the example I used, the transistor,
- 22 does not meet end use requirements, do you have any
- 23 provisions to perform any quality or engineering test,
- 24 actual test, that would give you the confidence that the
- 25 transistor that had to go into a safety-related area

- 1 would perform or qualify acceptably? In other words,
- 2 what, if anything, concrete do you do besides, or could
- 3 you do besides the abstract judgments that you've
- 4 described?
- 5 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) If we got into a
- 6 situation where we couldn't make a like-for-like
- 7 replacement or a better quality replacement, or if we
- 8 had to perform the evaluation that you postulated,
- 9 during the review process that fact would kick out, and
- 10 the technical people involved would kick the problem to
- 11 appropriate engineering, whether it's engineering at the
- 12 site or engineering at Hicksville, or it could even be
- 13 kicked back to the vendor engineering department, and if
- 14 necessary testing needed to be done, it would be done.

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- 1 (Counsel for NRC conferring.)
- 2 Do you consider what you just described to be
- 3 a graded approach to quality?
- 4 . A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) Yes, I would, yes.
- 5 Q What is the basis for your answer?
- 6 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) As I testified earlier.
- 7 if we could not achieve the goal, the primary goal, of
- 8 equal to or better than, we would then have to justify
- 9 deviating from that envelope. And in order to ensure
- 10 that the end application is still going to give us the
- 11 confidence that we require, we would perform the
- 12 necessary evaluations. That would be my basis.
- 13 MR. BORDENICK: Gentlemen, Judge Brenner, I
- 14 have no further questions.
- 15 JUDGE BRENNER: We will ask our questions
- 16 now .
- 17 BOARD EXAMINATION
- 18 BY JUDGE CARPENTER:
- 19 Q I am still trying to understand this, Mr.
- 20 Youngling. From a common sense point of view, if
- 21 procurement doesn't anticipate the need in the plant for
- 22 such things as transisters and potentiometers of a
- 23 particular quality, I am having a difficult time
- 24 understanding how it plans to operate if there is no
- 25 anticipation of the sort of quality of components,

- 1 replacement components, as you called it, consumables
- 2 that are going to be needed.
- 3 Do you see my problem?
- 4 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) Yes, I do. Please don't
- 5 let me give you the impression that when we purchase
- 6 these consumables that we are not buying quality
- 7 products. We are buying quality product. When we
- 8 purchase, we purchase to equal to or better than
- 9 quality.
- 10 The documents that are sent out to the vendors
- 11 to make the purchases are documents that are consistent
- 12 with the kinds of consumables that we think we need to
- 13 cover all the applications within the station. In
- 14 selecting those kinds of consumables, we make reviews of
- 15 the appropriate documents, design documents.
- Now does that mean that we e going to have
- 17 every transistor that we could possibly need in the
- 18 station? No. We probably won't. We will have to go
- 19 out and buy them on a quick order. But the point is the
- 20 consumables cover such a wide range and cover not only
- 21 safety-related applications but non-safety-related we
- 22 have to buy on a broad basis. And so we designate this
- 23 consumable nature.
- 24 But don't let me give you the impression that
- 25 we are not buying quality components. We are buying

- 1 state-of-the-art electronic components to support the
- 2 operation of the station.
- 3 A (WITNESS MULLER) Judge Carpenter, may I add
- 4 one thing? When we purchase the original equipment we
- 5 solicit the spare parts lists from the venior also, so
- 6 we do anticipate replacing certain parts within these
- 7 components.
- 8 Q Can you explain to me why the procedures, and
- 9 specifically the one that we have talked about so much.
- 10 don't tell me what you just told me? It says that you
- 11 will do the procurement without regard, and now you are
- 12 telling me that no, that isn't what you really do. I am
- 13 having trouble reconciling the testimony.
- 14 I don't understand the reason for the
- 15 disclaimer.
- 16 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) I don't think I said
- 17 anything different than what we said before. The point
- 18 is, quality in this particular application is the review
- 19 to ensure that the engineering documents are looked at
- 20 to the maximum extent possible. In other words, we
- 21 can't identify every transistor that is in that station
- 22 to make sure we have every one covered. We know the
- 23 general types. We know the applications where they are
- 24 generally, and we go out and we buy those.
- 25 There may be a special type of transistor that

- 1 we may not choose to carry in stock. The point is,
- 2 those documents are reviewed when we make our selection
- 3 as to the types of transistors that we want to keep and
- 4 the types of resistors that we want to keep and so
- 5 forth. The technical people make that judgment and that
- 6 is the kind of quality that is being put in.
- 7 Now when the parts are specified and gone out
- 8 to be bought, we look at those engineering documents to
- 9 ensure that the same kind of specifications that are in
- 10 those documents are met and the consumables put in
- 11 stock.
- 12 Q What you just said is not compatible in my
- 13 mind with the disclaimer without regard. You just very
- 14 carefully gave what I would call "due regard" to the
- 15 application in which it is going to be used.
- 16 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) That same regard would
- 17 apply whether I was going to put that transistor in a
- 18 pressure transmitter associated with the reactor
- 19 protection system or if I were going to put it in just a
- 20 readout of circulation water pump discharge pressure in
- 21 the control room -- one being a very safety-related
- 22 application and the other not being a safety-related
- 23 application -- because that transistor would be the same
- 24 transistor in both applications.
- 25 It would have the same specifications

- 1 associated with it, and we buy that transistor. The
- 2 only thing is, when I put it in that circuit associated
- 3 wth the reactor protection system, it would be done
- 4 under the administrative controls that I described to
- 5 the NRC counsel.
- 6 Q Well, what I guess I still don't see is what
- 7 instructions you give to Procurement so that you have
- 8 those components that you think are the better quality
- 9 in stock. That is what is mysterious to me -- how
- 10 procurement knows what to do.
- 11 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) Procurement, if you mean
- 12 the procurement people, purchasing people, they buy what
- 13 we specify. It is the technical people at the plant
- 14 staff who are making the day-to-day judgments on the
- 15 consumables to be bought and their application. They
- 16 make the judgments. It is not the purchasing people
- 17 that are doing that.
- 18 Q You see, once again I think you are telling me
- 19 that they give "due regard." They don't abide by the
- 20 "without regard".
- 21 (Witnesses conferring.)
- 22 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) We are trying to clarify
- 23 as best we can that statement means without regard to
- 24 quality from the point of view as to whether the
- 25 procurement is being made as a safety-related

- 1 procurement or non-safety-related procurement.
- The implications of making that procurement as
- 3 a "safety-related" procurement could preclude us from
- 4 being able to purchase those consumables. As soon as we
- 5 designate that as a safety-related procurement document,
- 6 that implies the application of some level of Appendix
- 7 B. Number two, it implies the application of 10 CFR
- 8 Part 21, and the vendors cannot and do not meet those
- 9 requirements.
- 10 And when we come to the point where we may not
- 11 be able to buy that transistor under those situations,
- 12 that is what I guess I have been trying to say all
- 13 along. I hope that helps.
- 14 Q I found it very helpful. Thank you.
- 15 It is in, you said, "safety-related", so that
- 16 puts it in a specific context of the jargon that has
- 17 been going on in this room with respect to Appendix B on
- 18 the transistor -- that it might not be appropriate at
- 19 all for some particular component, but the criteria of
- 20 equal or better quality would apply.
- 21 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) Yes, sir.
- JUDGE CARPENTER: It is a matter of emphasis
- 23 and display of policy attitude that I think has led to
- 24 the belaboring on this disclaimer, starting off with the
- 25 section, putting it in the very front, I think. And I

- 1 think you have clarified it.
- 2 BY JUDGE MORRIS:
- 3 Q Gentlemen, I just had a couple of things I
- 4 wanted to seek some information on.
- 5 One, is any member of the panel a member of
- 8 ASOC?
- 7 A (WITNESS KELLY) Yes, I am.
- 8 Q Any others?
- 9 (No response.)
- 10 Q How long have you been a member, Mr. Kelly?
- 11 A (WITNESS KELLY) I am not sure exactly. I
- 12 believe it has been about nine years.
- 13 Q Have you attended meetings at some frequency?
- 14 A (WITNESS KELLY) I usually attend the annual
- 15 Energy Division, which used to be the Nuclear Division,
- 16 meetings, and I have attended some of their courses that
- 17 they have also given. I am a member of the Inspection
- 18 Division, the Energy Division, and the Reliability
- 19 Division of ASOC.
- 20 Q Do you routinely get the publications that
- 21 relate to quality assurance for nuclear plants?
- 22 A (WITNESS KELLY) Yes. I get the Quality
- 23 Progress magazine, which is the magazine for ASQC. I
- 24 also get the Quality Journal, which is an optional
- 25 journal from the Society.

- 1 0 From your exposure to the activities of the
- 2 Society and its members, how would you rate the QA
- 3 program at Shoreham with respect to the QA programs at
- 4 other nuclear plants?
- 5 A (WITNESS KELLY) My personal opinion is that
- 6 we are equal to or better than the average.
- 7 Q Mr. Muller, do you see the publications of
- 8 ASOC?
- 9 A (WITNESS MULLER) I do read them occasionally,
- 10 specifically the Quality Progress. I have not read one
- 11 in the past few months, though.
- 12 Q My colleague points out there may be some
- 13 members here who read the record that don't know what
- 14 ASQC stands for.
- 15 A (WITNESS KELLY) The American Society for
- 16 Quality Control.
- 17 Q On a different subject, Mr. Kelly, would you
- 18 or do you conclude that Mr. Muller has as much
- 19 independence from a plant operating staff in conducting
- 20 his quality assurance activities as you do?
- 21 A (WITNESS KELLY) Yes, sir, and that is also
- 22 based not just on my opinion. It is also based upon the
- 23 auditing activities we have done of the CQA organization
- 24 since 1976 that is conducted by my particular division.
- 25 Q Have you looked particularly at this aspect of

- 1 independence?
- 2 A (WITNESS KELLY) Not specifically as an audit
- 3 attribute, but in the carrying out of the audits to
- 4 verify their compliance with all of their procedures and
- 5 the dealings with the people in the station OQA
- 6 organization, it would become quite obvious to us over
- 7 that period of time if there was any undue pressure
- 8 imposed upon them by the plant manager or any other cost
- 9 considerations that were imposed upon them.
- 10 And that has definitely not been the case. We
- 11 have seen them to have total sufficient independence as
- 12 is necessary to perform their function.
- 13 O So you know of no instance where there was
- 14 lack of independence?
- 15 A (WITNESS KELLY) No, sir.
- 16 JUDGE MORRIS: Thank you.
- 17 BY JUDGE BRENNER:
- 18 Q But, Mr. Kelly, would you expect any problem
- 19 of undue pressure to have reared its head before
- 20 operation, or is that a predicted fear that would become
- 21 more plausible if it exists when you have the plant in
- 22 an operational mode?
- 23 A (WITNESS KELLY) Since the same program --
- 24 that is one of the advantages, I believe, of the
- 25 operational QA program, is the fact that we have applied

- 1 that program to the startup effort and worked all the
- 2 bugs out of the procedures during the startup testing
- 3 phase.
- 4 There is a lot of activity going on, a lot of
- 5 testing, definitely an interest upon the company to get
- 6 the job finished as expeditiously as possible. So I
- 7 would say if there were going to be pressures applied,
- 8 there would have been pressures applied to the station
- 9 OQA similarly as during operations, and that was not the
- 10 case. They have been free to perform their function as
- 11 necessary.
- 12 Q Did your audits disclose to you, Mr. Kelly,
- 13 any noteworthy examples in which Mr. Muller's
- 14 organization adversely affected the startup schedule due
- 15 to some quality problems that they found?
- 16 A (WITNESS KELLY) Well, they routinely write
- 17 the LILCO deficiency reports. There are audit findings
- 18 that is going to have, when you have a non-conformance
- 19 and you have to have a correction performed, that
- 20 insrection that in some way is going to affect your
- 21 marching forward.
- 22 Q I was wondering beyond that generalization if
- 23 you had an example or two in which there was really
- 24 stress put on the startup program as a result of
- 25 deficiencies found by the CQA organization.

- 1 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) Yes, Judge. I think I
- 2 can speak to that.
- 3 Q I will give you an opportunity because you
- 4 would have been the one addressed, but I want to know if
- 5 Mr. Kelly saw anything in the audits as the basis for
- 6 some of his previous answers.
- 7 A (WITNESS KELLY) Nothing specifically that
- 8 comes to my mind of appreciating magnitude.
- 9 Q Mr. Youngling?
- 10 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) Yes. There was one
- 11 particular instance that comes to mind. Back in May of
- 12 1981 we were performing -- we were starting to perform
- 13 the integrated flush on the primary system. The
- 14 in egrated flush is a mass flush of the systems that are
- 15 in communications with the reactor pressure vessel.
- In the signing off of the prerequisites prior
- 17 to starting that test, there are various witness points
- is that the ODA people put in place when we developed the
- 19 procedures, and there was a particular witness point at
- 20 a particular prerequisite dealing with a proof that we
- 21 had performed a flushing associated with the tailpipes
- 22 and the safety relief valves, that there was an adequate
- 23 cleanliness level in those tailpipes before we started,
- 24 that required us to go back to the construction
- 25 organization, since they had done the work for startup.

- And I can remember, because I was in the
- 2 control room, us having to wait for about six hours to
- 3 produce that documentation out of the file for the QA
- 4 people to see before they would sign the prerequisites.
- 5 Generally, the quality people in the
- 6 establishment of the prerequisites, that is an area
- 7 where there is a great deal of diligence and we have to
- 8 produce that documentation for them to show that we are
- 9 ready to perform this test or the test that we do. That
- 10 is one particular instance that comes to mind.
- 11 Q Did you disagree with the OQA organization as
- 12 to what they thought was necessary as a prerequisite in
- 13 that instance, or were they clearly correct and,
- 14 therefore, you had no choice but to go along?
- 15 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) They were correct in
- 16 Wanting to see the documentation, surely. We knew the
- 17 lines were flushed. They wanted to see the
- 18 documentation; they were right.
- 19 Q While undoubtedly annoying at the time to you,
- 20 do you think that type of six-hour delay is equivalent
- 21 to having to shut a plant down in terms of the stress
- 22 that might arise between the OQA organization and the
- 23 plant manager?
- 24 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) I don't think I could
- 25 draw a parallel there. I don't think I could do that.

- 1 Q Do you mean you can't compare the two, or the
- 2 two in the comparison are not comparable because one is
- 3 greater than the other?
- 4 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) I think the latter, yes.
- 5 O There would be no more stress in a situation
- 6 where the plant might have to be shut down: is that
- 7 what you are saying?
- 8 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) I would say that with the
- 9 plant at full power there would certainly be a higher
- 10 stress level, yes.
- 11 Q For a plant that was shut down and ready to go
- 12 up, as the plant manager was concerned but not ready to
- 13 go back up as far as OQA was concerned, that situation,
- 14 too, would give rise to possibly more tension than the
- 15 situation of startup that you referred to, isn't that
- 16 correct?
- 17 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) Yes. I think it could,
- 18 yes. There would be a balance that would have to be
- 19 drawn in that situation that you mentioned relative to
- 20 the startup.
- 21 JUDGE BRENNER: Mr. Ellis.
- 22 FURTHER REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 23 BY MR. ELLIS:
- 24 On that point, Mr. Youngling, Mr. Muller, Mr.
- 25 Kelly -- anybody -- have there been instances where OQA

- 1 has had an observation or a finding that the startup
- 2 organization of the plant staff has disagreed with and
- 3 OQA has held its ground, to your knowledge?
- 4 (Witnesses conferring.)
- 5 A (WITNESS MULLER) Mr. Ellis, it has been our
- 6 policy to hold our ground from repair reworks to
- 7 witnessing of flushes all the way through.
- 8 Q All right. But have people whom you have
- 9 audited disagreed with you as to the accuracy or
- 10 validity of your judgments that you have made in that
- 11 connection?
- 12 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) There have been times
- 13 where we have disagreed with the basis of an audit
- 14 finding, where we were able to provide to the OOA people
- 15 adequate documentation or additional justification to
- 16 show that the audit findings was perhaps not correct,
- 17 and in the converse condition there have been instances
- 18 where we have done the same process and it has shown
- 19 that the OQA people are truly correct, and rightly so
- 20 correct.
- 21 0 Well, have there been any instances that you
- 22 are familiar with where your organization or the plant
- 23 staff has been able to eliminate an audit observation or
- 24 a finding without going through the process of either
- 25 justifying it or finding out that it is right?

- 1 A (WITNESS MULLER) No, sir.
- 2 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) No. Once that finding is
- 3 identified, we have to respond to it. Now what they
- 4 will do is they will close it right at the exit
- 5 interviews and that will show in the exit report.
- 6 A (WITNESS MULLER) But it would also show why
- 7 it was closed out -- what action was taken to close it
- 8 out. We wouldn't just close it out and not provide any
- 9 information.
- 10 (Counsel for LILCO conferring.)
- 11 Q Mr. Youngling, you mentioned one example where
- 12 the startup program had been affected or impacted in
- 13 terms of its schedule by audit findings. I take it
- 14 there were -- have there been other instances where the
- 15 startup program schedule has been affected by the
- 16 activities of OQA?
- 17 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) Right off the top of my
- 18 head I can't think of any additional areas, no.
- 19 Q Well, when OQA audits a startup organization
- 20 and comes up with a finding, does that have an effect on
- 21 the startup program and the schedule?
- 22 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) Generally, those findings
- 23 are handled on a parallel basis unless it precludes us
- 24 from going forward. But generally they are handled on a
- 25 parallel basis.

- 1 O Do you want to add anything?
- 2 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) Well, if you mean by a
- 3 finding, as I said, if it precludes us from going
- 4 forward, if the quality people find something that they
- ; are concerned about which requires us to go back and
- 6 make an engineering change, make a rework, yes, that
- 7 would put a delay in the process. We would have to do
- 8 things over or get some additional engineering
- 9 accomplished.
- 10 Q All right. Has that occurred on more than
- 11 just the occasion you just testified to in response to,
- 12 I think, Judge Brenner's question?
- (Witnesses conferring.)
- 14 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) Most of that occurs
- 15 through the LDR program, the deficiency report program,
- 16 as a result of surveillances that the OQA people do
- 17 against our testing and our component level testing.
- 18 They may see during the component test a particular
- 19 aspect that they are unhappy with that may result in us
- 20 having to go and get some additional engineering
- 21 justification to show that we are in compliance or the
- 22 engineering review may show that we have to make a
- 23 change.
- 24 Those kinds of situations have occurred, yes.
- 25 A (WITNESS MULLER) Mr. Ellis, Mr. Youngling

- 1 just mentioned one activity. He montioned
- surveillance. That occurs during an audit and review
- 3 process also. We would issue the deficiency reports,
- 4 which would cause startup to go back, either have the
- 5 work redone or go to engineering for further evaluation
- 8 of the process. So yes, we do hold them up -- I mean in
- 7 the sense that we just don't let them continue when
- 8 there is something identified that is wrong that has to
- 9 be corrected.
- 10 O My questions -- I think I have inadvertently
- 11 used the term "audit", and I haven't included
- 12 surveillances, inspections and other activities of OQA.
- 13 But given all of the activities of OQA, Mr. Muller, you
- 14 said that it does hold them up. Have those instances
- 15 actually occurred where they have been held up?
- 16 A (WITNESS MULLER) Sure. I mean, that happens
- 17 on a continuing basis.
- 18 Q And does it occur in instances where there are
- 19 differences of judgment between an OQA personnel and a
- 20 startup personnel or a plant staff personnel?
- 21 A (WITNESS MULLER) Yes, it does. Once again,
- 22 the LDR is issued. It has to be dispositioned and the
- 23 disposition has to be agreed to by both the
- 24 dispositioner and the operating QA section.
- 25 Q Well, Mr. Kelly, in your audits and, Mr.

- 1 Youngling, in your management of the startup
- 2 organization, have there been any instances where --
- 3 well, let me ask Mr. Kelly. Have there been any
- 4 instances that you have seen in your audits of the OQA
- 5 organization where LDRs or other observations and
- 6 activities by the OQA organization have been affected or
- 7 gotten off track because of pressures or views of the
- 8 plant staff or the startup organization?
- 9 A (WITNESS KELLY) No, there has not been any
- 10 instance where that has occurred, and we audit all of
- 11 the activities of the OOA organization, which would
- 12 include their auditing process, their non-conformance
- 13 control and corrective action programs, just to name a
- 14 few.
- (Counsel for LILCO conferring.)
- 16 Q Mr. Youngling, I think you may have covered
- 17 this, but let me be clear about this. Mr. Dynner asked
- 18 you about space program suppliers. Does simply having
- 19 What I think he termed a "good QA program" equate to
- 20 safety-related procurement, or are there other
- 21 regulations involved for the vendor in safety-related,
- 22 as designated as a requirement for procuring
- 23 consumables?
- 24 (Witnesses conferring.)
- 25 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) In addition to the

- 1 requirements of Appendix B for safety-related
- 2 procurement, there is also the requirement under Part 21
- 3 of 10 CFR Part 21 which has to be picked up by the
- 4 vendor supplying the components and parts.
- 5 Q Do you know whether --
- 6 (Counsel for LILCO conferring.)
- 7 Q Based upon your experience, when Part 21 first
- 8 came out, was that a problem for suppliers of components
- 9 of various kinds?
- (Witnesses conferring.)
- 11 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) Yes, it was.
- 12 Q Can you elaborate on that?
- 13 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) The industry -- during
- 14 both the development and after Part 21 went into effect,
- 15 there were certain vendors that made decisions that they
- 16 no longer wanted to be involved in the nuclear industry
- 17 as a result of the Part 21 requirements. Some of them
- 18 took not only their entire product line or parts of
- 19 their product line out of the availability for nuclear
- 20 application --
- 21 JUDGE BRENNER: What was their problem? They
- 22 didn't like to disclose their defects?
- 23 WITNESS YOUNGLING: I guess you would have to
- 24 really talk with them.
- 25 JUDGE BRENNER: Well, you are the one who your

- 1 counsel thinks is expert enough to talk about what the
- 2 problems are. That, in itself, is intriguing, but since
- 3 he believes you are, and since you have answered so far,
- 4 my question was a logical follow-up. If you don't know,
- 5 then that could be your answer.
- 6 (Witnesses conferring.)
- 7 WITNESS YOUNGLING: I am sure there were
- 8 considerations relative to the legal liabilities
- 9 associated with it and a great deal of concern.
- JUDGE BRENNER: Maybe it was a good thing to
- 11 weed out vendors who had problems with part 21 from
- 12 supplying products to nuclear power plants. Do you have
- 13 an opinion on that?
- 14 WITNESS KELLY: It may have accomplished some
- 15 good -- I think it did -- also a lot of harm, in my
- 16 opinion, as far as -- because of the legal liabilities
- 17 that companies were not willing to assume because of
- 18 negligible economic benefit to them by being suppliers
- 19 to the nuclear program. I think we lost a lot of good
- 20 suppliers from the industry.
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- BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 2 Do you know, Mr. Youngling, whether there are
- 3 civil and criminal penalties attached to Part 21?
- 4 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) Yes, there are.
- 5 O Do you know whether that was also a
- 6 consideration?
- 7 A (WITHESS YOUNGLING) I'm sore it was.
- 8 Q Mr. Youngling, I think you indicated that
- 9 consumables and the procedure indicates that the
- 10 consumables are purchased to equal or better than the
- 11 original. If the original was purchased with specified
- 12 quality standards, would the replacement part be
- 13 purchased with equivalent or higher quality standards?
- 14 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) The replacement would be
- 15 purchased with higher quality standards, yes.
- 16 Q And I am not sure whether you testified, but
- 17 if it were purchased to mil. spec originally, would it
- 18 be purchased at least to a mil. spec otherwise?
- 19 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) Yes, I did testify that,
- 20 yes.
- 21 JUDGE BRENNER: You are getting a little
- 22 repetitious, Mr. Ellis. Maybe it is inevitable after
- 23 all of the testimony we have had. But as long as I
- 24 interrupted anyway, let me clarify for the record. I
- 25 take it a mil. spec is military specifications; is that

- 1 correct?
- WITNESS YOUNGLING: Yes, Judge.
- 3 BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 4 Q Now, you indicated you had discussions with
- 5 G.E. Is that the basis for your testimony where you
- 6 indicated to the best of your knowledge they acquired
- 7 consumables in the same way that LILCO does?
- 8 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) Yes, we did. We did have
- 9 communications and discussions with them on the
- 10 consumable aspects, yes.
- 11 0 Mr. Muller -- I think it was Mr. Muller -- you
- 12 were asked a number of questions by Mr. Dynner on
- 13 NUREG-0731, Suffolk County Exhibit No. 87. Well, excuse
- 14 me. Before I do that, Suffolk County Exhibit No. 77.
- 15 Do you have your copy of that before you? That is the
- 16 EEI Nuclear Plant Staffing Survey.
- 17 A (WITNESS MULLER) Yes, I do.
- 18 Q All right. You were asked questions
- 19 concerning footnotes that appear on page 2. I believe
- 20 it was Footnotes 2 and 3. Can you now explain the
- 21 meaning of those footnotes?
- 22 A (WITNESS MULLER) Yes. I spoke to Mr. Hammond
- 23 on the telephone after I testified, and the footnotes
- 24 mean what they say. For Footnote No. 2, plant staffing
- 25 totals only include the QC function, whether or not

- 1 personnel report off site or on site. What Mr. Hammond
- 2 did in his telephone survey was determine the number of
- 3 people required to support the QC effort at the plant on
- 4 a full-time basis. This meant that if there were five
- 5 people performing the QC function at the plant,
- 6 regardless of who they reported to, the numbers in the
- 7 tables would be five, the table number three for Note
- 8 No. 3. The plant staff totals are not QA function even
- 9 if the personnel work on site. This included the number
- 10 of people involved in the QA effort at the plant. They
- 11 were not assigned full-time basis at the plant. It
- 12 didn't matter who they reported to. These people were
- 13 not included in the tables.
- 14 [Counsel for LILCO conferred.]
- 15 JUDGE BRENNER: Mr. Ellis, if you asked this
- 16 when you asked your questions, I apologize because I
- 17 missed it. Did you find out, Mr. Muller, if those
- 18 footnoes refer only to the list in the beginning as
- 19 distinguished from the individual sheets that you have
- 20 attached from the separate plants?
- 21 WITNESS MULLER: Those notes apply throughout
- 22 the BWRs, PWRs, the mixed multi-unit utilities.
- JUDGE BRENNER: I thought we straightened all
- 24 of this out better once before.
- 25 THE WITNESS: Those footnotes apply to the

- 1 report completely, not just the page 2.
- 2 JUDGE BRENNER: As I turn through the exhibit,
- 3 Suffolk County Exhibit 77, there is a separate sheet for
- 4 each of the BWRs that are included in the exhibit.
- 5 WITNESS MULLER: That is correct.
- 6 JUDGE BRENNER: Does that footnote apply to
- 7 the way personnel have been reported in those separate
- 8 sheets?
- 9 WITNESS MULLER: Yes, it does.
- JUDGE BRENNER: And with those footnotes you
- 11 see no inconsistencies or discrepancies in the way
- 12 things are actually reported on those sheets in
- 13 comparison to the footnote and in comparison to the list
- 14 at the beginning in terms of the totals?
- 15 WITNESS MULLER: I did not find any
- 16 inconsistencies, no.
- 17 JUDGE BRENNER: Well, plow through the record
- 18 we had last time on it.
- 19 WITNESS YOUNGLING: Judge, there was one
- 20 inconsistency that I might as well point out to you -- I
- 21 see I have it here in my notes, which may help me -- in
- 22 the Fitzpatrick station. If you will look at the
- 23 summary in the front, Fitzpatrick has 238 listed, okay?
- 24 I am on page -- well, under staffing list, the second
- 25 page. And if you go back to their detailed breakdown

- 1 page, if you were to add up all of those people that
- 2 were shown on there, you will find out that it adds up
- 3 to 241. So the three QA people that are listed in the
- 4 QA column are not included in that summary up front, and
- 5 that is in accordance with Note No. 3.
- 6 So when LILCO used that Fitzpatrick number, we
- 7 used the number of six. I think the total number listed
- 8 in there should be nine.
- 9 BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 10 Q The total number listed where, Mr. Youngling?
- 11 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) In the detailed breakdown
- 12 under OA/QC.
- 13 JUDGE BRENNER: Well, I don't remember. I
- 14 think last time on the record we looked at Cooper as an
- 15 example, too, and it raises a similar difference in
- 16 breakdown although not as easily explained because of
- 17 the way they are labeled. Their additional three is
- 18 QA/QC, and this is what gave me problems in
- 19 understanding the footnote before and that is why I
- 20 asked Mr. Muller the question I did now, and I'm still
- 21 not sure I understand what it is all about, but if it is
- 22 in the record, I will understand it later when I put it
- 23 together. If it is not in the record, I will never
- 24 understand it. As of this moment, I don't know if I
- 25 need to understand it.

- 1 [Counsel for LILCO conferring.]
- BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 3 Q Mr. Youngling, tell me once again where the
- 4 nine goes. I missed that.
- 5 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) If you look at the
- 6 Fitzpatrick detailed breakdown where it says in-plant
- 7 QA/QC, if you add up all of those people, you come out
- 8 to ten. Take the secretary out, that leaves nine QA/QC
- 9 people.
- 10 Q So for Fitzpatrick, then, would this mean that
- 11 their OQA, or their analog of the Shoreham OQA would
- 12 have nine personnel?
- 13 A (WITNESS MULLER) No, that would be six.
- 14 Q Would the extra three, then, be offsite people
- 15 involved in onsite activities?
- 16 A (WITNESS MULLER) In accordance with Note 3,
- 17 yes.
- 18 JUDGE BRENNER: Mr. Ellis, do you have more
- 19 important things in your final follow-up?
- 20 MR. ELLIS: Yes, I do.
- JUDGE BRENNER: Okay, because this day has
- 22 begun to drag, and you see what happens. If we had
- 23 acceded to your request to run longer on Friday two
- 24 weeks ago, we would still be here, let alone trying to
- 25 finish up Tuesday in New York and let alone running late

- 1 yesterday. So you severely underestimated what you were
- 2 going to do as well as the other parties, and that is my
- 3 point.
- 4 MR. FLLIS: Well, I accept some of that; but
- 5 on the other hand, if we look at -- well.
- 6 JUDGE BRENNER: I know, his questions gave
- 7 rise to your questions, but not on this last exhibit, at
- 8 least in my mind, for reasons I have already stated.
- 9 MR. ELLIS: I think, though, you started with
- 10 a week of OQA and then an extra six hours, and that
- 11 hasn't been me.
- 12 JUDGE BRENNER: I am merely talking about your
- 13 latest estimates over the last day and a half as to what
- 14 you had for follow-up. If you had told me originally
- 15 three days instead of one day, that would have been more
- 16 palatable. That is my only point. And I want attorneys
- 17 to be more realistic in the future. You used your
- 18 estimates partially to pressure everybody into certain
- 19 time frames yesterday, and that is part of my annoyance,
- 20 in addition to time frames on the Friday of the week
- 21 before Thanksgiving. So more realistic estimates would
- 22 be helpful, and I don't think you are being productive
- 23 in the last five minutes. The time hasn't been graded;
- 24 it is the productivity. ... I am only talking about the
- 25 last few minutes, and that is why I asked my question.

- 1 I certainly agree you have had much less redirect than
- 2 there has been cross, but that wasn't my point.
- 3 All right. Let me keep quiet so we can make
- 4 progress.
- 5 BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 6 Q Mr. Muller, look at NUREG-0731, which was
- 7 marked as Suffolk County Exhibit No. 87, please.
- 8 A (WITNESS MULLER) I have it.
- 9 Q Okay. Mr. Dynner there tried, I think
- 10 unsuccessfully, to have you say that Figure No. 1 was
- 11 the preferred or the best organization, and I think the
- 12 record reflects that you pointed to the language on page
- 13 4 indicating that it was a representative-type
- 14 organization which may be satisfactorily used; not the
- 15 best, preferred. Is there any other language in
- 16 NUREG-0731 that also supports your point in that
- 17 connection?
- 18 A (WITNESS MULLER) Yes. On page 2 there is the
- 19 indication that the organizational structure and the
- 20 technical resources available to each utility will have
- 21 to be -- the evaluation will have to be made on a
- 22 subjective basis.
- 23 Q What are you referring to on page 2?
- 24 A (WITNESS MULLER) The fourth paragraph.
- 25 Q Okay. Would you read the sentence or sentences

- 1 that you are referring to? Does that start with "An
- 2 additional point"?
- 3 A (WITNESS MULLER) Yes. An additional point is
- 4 deserving of special mention. Evaluation of the
- 5 organizational structure and the technical resources
- 6 available to a utility will have to be made on a largely
- 7 subjective basis. Variations in the size, operating
- 8 philosophy and basic organizational structure of the
- 9 various utilities preclude a staff-imposed "best"
- 10 solution to a perceived problem.
- 11 Q All right, Mr. Muller. Look now if you would,
- 12 please, at Figure 1 which Mr. Dynner asked you some
- 13 questions about. You will see Figure 1 has a solid line
- 14 going from quality assurance to the block that has plant
- 15 manager or assistant plant manager. What does that
- 16 solid line inidicate to you?
- 17 A (WITNESS MULLER) That solid line also
- 18 connects to the operations manager, the maintenance
- 19 manager, technical manager, training manager, radiation
- 20 protection manager, security, administrative services.
- 21 That line would indicate that the quality assurance
- 22 would have the same responsibility and the same
- 23 reporting to the plant manager as the other
- 24 organizations.
- 25 Now, there is a footnote, though, to the

- 1 quality assurance that says, "reports offsite to the
- 2 director of operational quality assurance." Is there
- 3 any indication or any definition there given of whether
- 4 "reports" there means functional, administrative,
- 5 communications, any or all of those?
- 6 JUDGE BRENNER: Is your question is there any
- 7 explanation on the chart or anywhere in the document?
- 8 MR. ELLIS: I will ask him first about the
- 9 chart.
- 10 WITNESS MULLER: There is no definition on the
- 11 chart, and I don't remember any definition specifically
- 12 within the NUREG as far as what that solid line means.
- JUDGE BRENNER: You don't remember any
- 14 questions and answers of yesterday bearing on that
- 15 subject?
- 16 WITNESS MULLER: We had mentioned functional,
- 17 administrative, and I don't think those terms were
- 18 defined within the NUREG.
- 19 MR. ELLIS: Judge Brenner, to save time, if
- 20 there is a specific reference that you are familiar with
- 21 that I have missed, perhaps we ought to refer to it now,
- 22 and if the witness is wrong, we can get it out right now.
- JUDGE BRENNER: I think it is already in the
- 24 record. I am confident it is already in the record. We
- 25 are going to pursue this more with the Staff anyway

- 1 since it is their document.
- BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 3 Q Mr. Muller, the footnote, as far as you know,
- 4 could that be reporting in terms of communications to an
- 5 offsite director of operational quality assurance?
- 6 A (WITNESS MULLER) It could be, yes.
- 7 Q If it were a functional administrative
- 8 reporting, would you expect the same solid line to be
- 9 drawn from the quality assurance box to the plant
- 10 manager box?
- 11 JUDGE BRENNER: I will let him answer, but I
- 12 think given everything else he has said about his
- 13 knowledge of the chart, you are going way beyond what he
- 14 can state as distinguished from just speculation. You
- 15 are asking him, if he would draw the chart, would he
- 16 draw it that way if it meant a functional administrative
- 17 connection offsite. Is that right?
- 18 MR. ELLIS: Judge Brenner, I think yesterday
- 19 led to extensive questioning of the document when it was
- 20 not the document they had prepared, but I think he was
- 21 asked how he interpreted it and he is now giving his
- 22 views about how he interpreted it. Now, that may be
- 23 different from what the NRC intended and it may be
- 24 different from how the County reads it. It may be, but
- 25 he does have a reason for it, as he has testified, it is

- 1 a solid line.
- JUDGE BRENNER: I know, but you got that
- 3 answer already. Okay, let him answer. You are right.
- 4 You made that objection, and in light of our overruling
- 5 that objection, I will let you ask this question.
- 6 WITNESS MULLER: I think if there was no
- 7 indication of functional authority, the QA section would
- 8 not even appear on that organizational chart. That does
- 9 indicate some line of authority, a clear line to the
- 10 plant manager.
- 11 BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 12 Q All right. I believe you were also asked some
- 13 questions, Mr. Muller, about Figure 2 on NUREG-0731, and
- 14 that appears on page 13. Is there any indication in the
- 15 report concerning whether that figure would be suitable
- 16 for a single plant, nuclear plant utility like LILCO?
- 17 A (WITNESS MULLER) No. On page 12, paragraph
- 18 1, Section 1, under organization, there is a sentence,
- 19 "This figure is considered to be representative of the
- 20 utility with a medium size commitment to nuclear power
- 21 since the utility with a single nuclear power plant
- 22 would probably not have the resources to establish
- 23 separate organizational units for all the areas shown in
- 24 the figure.
- 25 Q Look at LILCO Exhibit 38, which was the figure

- 1 for the WASH-1284 document which Mr. Dynner asked you
- 2 some questions about.
- 3 Oh, one other minor point, Mr. Muller, while
- 4 we are on Suffolk County Exhibit 87. What is the date
- 5 of that document?
- 6 A (WITNESS MULLER) The date of the NUREG-0731
- 7 is, date published, September 1980.
- 8 O Do you know whether the SER was published
- 9 before or after that date?
- 10 A (WITNESS MULLER) The SER was published in
- 11 April of 1981.
- 12 Q So that would be after the date that
- 13 NUREG-0731 bears, the draft?
- 14 A (WITNESS MULLER) Yes, sir.
- 15 Q Okay, look at LILCO Exhibit 38, please.
- 16 A (WITNESS MULLER) If I could have a couple of
- 17 seconds.
- 18 [Pause.]
- 19 JUDGE BRENNER: That is the one you couldn't
- 20 find last time either, which is bound in on the November
- 21 19th transcript.
- 22 [Discussion off the record.]
- 23 WITNESS MULLER: I have it, Mr. Ellis.
- 24 BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 25 Q All right. Yesterday you indicated that the

- 1 functional solid line, the line that is labeled
- 2 "functional" from the QA supervisor to the plant
- 3 superintendent, that in your view "functional" included
- 4 administrative. And there is a dotted line from the QA
- 5 supervisor to the manager of QA operation labeled
- 6 "communications." Did those lines, in your opinion,
- 7 represent the kind of relationship that you have with
- 8 the plant manager at Shoreham and Mr. Gerecke, the
- 9 department head of the QA Department?
- 10 A (WITNESS MULLER) Yes, they do.
- 11 Q And you were also asked questions concerning
- 12 the fact that there is a vice president of quality
- 13 assurance, whereas at LILCO there is a vice president of
- 14 engineering that has those responsibilities. Given
- 15 that, is there any difference, in your opinion, in
- 16 substance between the structure for OQA reporting
- 17 between the LILCO and Exhibit 38?
- 18 A (WITNESS MULLER) No, sir, I don't believe
- 19 there is any difference in substance.
- 20 O Mr. Muller, has any representative of the
- 21 County ever indicated to you a number for staffing of
- 22 OQA?
- 23 A (WITNESS MULLER) No, sir.
- MR. ELLIS: No further questions.
- 25 JUDGE BRENNER: I always stand to be

- 1 corrected, but I certainly didn't hear much new ground
- 2 there, so we are going to be very aggressive as to the
- 3 follow-up, if any, limited to the last round.
- 4 Do you have any questions?
- 5 MR. DYNNER: I have only one question and it
- 8 refers to the testimony in answer to the questions asked
- 7 by Mr. Ellis concerning the LDRs and CARs and other
- 8 aspects that might have interfered with the work in
- 9 connection with the effect of the OQA section.
- 10 FURTHER RECROSS EXAMINATION
- 11 BY MR. DYNNER:
- 12 Can you tell me, Mr. Muller, during calendar
- 13 year 1981 how many LDRs and how many CARs did OQA
- 14 section issue for the entire plant during that entire
- 15 year?
- 16 MR. ELLIS: I object. I don't see how that is
- 17 related to the total number.
- JUDGE BRENNER: He has only got one question;
- 19 let him ask it. I don't know what I am going to do with
- 20 the answer either, but I am going to let you ask it.
- 21 MR. DYNNER: Thank you.
- 22 BY MR. DYNNER: (Resuming)
- 23 O Isn't it true, Mr. Muller, that during the
- 24 entire year of 1981, the OQA section issued a total of
- 25 only 100 LDRs and only 16 CARs?

- 1 A (WITNESS MULLER) I'm just trying to confirm
- 2 that.
- 3 [Panel of witnesses conferring.]
- 4 A (WITNESS KELLY) Mr. Dynner, could you tell us
- 5 where you got that number from?
- 6 Q Do you have your 1981 annual report?
- 7 A (WITNESS KELLY) Yes.
- 8 [Pause.]
- 9 You might look on pages 9 and 10.
- 10 A (WITNESS MULLER) Yes, Mr. Dynner, during 1981
- 11 we issued 100 LDRs, 16 CARs, and in addition to that, we
- 12 issued 53 audit findings.
- 13 [Panel of witnesses conferring.]
- MR. DYNNER: I have no further questions.
- 15 MR. ELLIS: Judge Brenner, I think that leaves
- 16 an inference and I am entitled to follow up with more
- 17 questions.
- JUDGE BRENNER: Let me ask the Staff if they
- 19 have anything.
- MR. BORDENICK: No questions.
- 21 JUDGE BRENNER: Go ahead, Mr. Ellis.
- 22 FURTHER REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 23 BY MR. ELLIS:
- 24 Q Were you done answering Mr. Dynner's question?
- 25 A (WITNESS MULLER) I was finished. I'm not

- 1 sure if Mr. Youngling had anything he wanted to add.
- 2 Q Is the number of audit findings, CARs and
- 3 LDRs, in your view attributable to pressures of cost or
- 4 schedule or the quality of the work being observed and
- 5 monitored?
- 6 A (WITNESS MULLER) It is attributable to the
- 7 quality of the work. If we found something that was not
- 8 correct, we would have written it up whether it would
- 9 have been a CAR, an LDR or an audit finding, depending
- 10 upon how we found the problem.
- 11 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) I would also like to add
- 12 to that that a certain proportion of those LWRs, and I
- 13 don't know what the number is, are written by my people
- 14 because the LILCO LDR is my mechanism to identify a
- 16 deficiency and those LDRs are written against quality
- 16 problems or deficiencies or problems with the
- 17 performance of testing.
- 18 JUDGE BRENNER: Since you are sitting back
- 19 from the microphone, I am going to infer you are done.
- 20 MR. ELLIS: Yes, sir, I am. I said one, and
- 21 for once, I meant it.
- JUDGE BRENNER: I took it that way.
- 23 BOARD EXAMINATION
- 24 BY JUDGE BRENNER:
- 25 Q We have one more area, and it may or may not

- 1 be one question, of Mr. Youngling, that we are not going
- 2 to allow cross-examination on because it is for our
- 3 interest and it doesn't relate to the contention, but we
- 4 felt that since we have the benefit of the startup
- 5 manager here as a witness under oath, we can directly
- 6 ask you, Mr. Youngling, in your capacity as startup
- 7 manager and in your professional opinion, when would the
- 8 plant realistically be ready for fuel load? And I don't
- 9 want to hear about corporate policy or what the vice
- 10 president thinks you should say on the stand, which was
- 11 a vague illusion to some testimony I heard here from
- 12 another witness that I was most unhappy with, but your
- 13 own professional opinion: and you can tell anybody else
- 14 that that was the requirement here.
- 15 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) Judge Brenner, the
- 16 present schedule was predicated on the Construction
- 17 forces clearing the primary containment on November 1st.
- 18 which allowed Startup to go in and perform the Type A
- 19 integrated leak rate test which was scheduled to occur
- 20 around Thanksgiving. Construction did not clear
- 21 containment until the 23rd of November. We readjusted
- 22 the schedule and we are now looking at pressurizing the
- 23 containment on or about the 6th of December, and we
- 24 anticipate to be done with the integrated leak rate
- 25 testing by the 11th or the 12th of December.

- 1 If we are able to achieve that aggressive
- 2 schedule, that would be about eight days ahead of the
- 3 original December 20th date to complete that activity.
- 4 So despite Construction being late in getting out of
- 5 containment, we still may be able to improve and
- 6 hopefully meet the original targetted schedule. That
- 7 would remove about a three-week delay that is presently
- 8 being shown in the February date.
- 9 O For the record at this point why don't you
- 10 give us the date presently being shown.
- 11 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) The date that is
- 12 presently shown on the project schedule is February
- 13 23rd, 1983 for fuel load.
- 14 O Now, it is that date plus a three-week delay
- 15 presently shown?
- 16 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) The present critical path
- 17 is showing three weeks behind schedule.
- 18 Q I'm not sure I understand. Do I add three
- 19 weeks to February 23rd or does that include the three
- 20 weeks, recognizing what you said?
- 21 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) No, you would have to add
- 22 three weeks to it. Now, what I am saying is if we are
- 23 able to achieve the aggressive schedule that we have set
- 24 up, we would have removed the delay that was imposed
- 25 upon us by the late clearing of containment. Now, if we

- 1 achieve that milestone or that aggressive schedule --
- 2 which, incidentally, we have done in the past, we have
- 3 been able within the Startup organization to make up
- 4 ground that the Construction people have put us behind
- 5 in because of various reasons, for engineering and so
- 6 forth. So I am confident that we can do that.
- 7 Now, other areas that I am concerned about, I
- 8 am concerned about the radiation monitoring system. It
- 9 is a prototype system. It is the number one off the
- 10 line from the vendor. We have been experiencing some
- 11 problems with it in bringing it up. I am concerned
- 12 about it.
- 13 In addition, I am concerned about the area of
- 14 completion in the plant, painting, insulation work and
- 15 so forth. A very aggressive scheduling will have to be
- 16 maintained to ensure that we can complete that work in
- 17 the early part of 1983, which will allow us to move into
- 18 the fuel load condition.
- 19 As far as the machinery is concerned, as long
- 20 as I can make up that ground, I feel confident that we
- 21 can have the machinery ready. I am concerned about the
- 22 areas that I mentioned and I am concerned about the
- 23 radiation nonitoring system.
- 24 Q In terms of if -- I'm sorry, go ahead. Had
- 25 you finished?

- 1 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) If things don't come
- 2 together, I can see us losing some ground beyond the
- 3 February 23rd, but I don't see us slipping well beyond
- 4 that.
- 5 Q In terms of the uncertainties and the systems
- 6 you indicated that you had some concerns about, when in
- 7 January would you know whether your concerns were
- 8 realized or not, if January is the right time?
- 9 A (WITNESS YOUNGLING) I have told the vice
- 10 president-nuclear that come the 15th of January, we will
- 11 be in a very good position to assess where we are.
- 12 JUDGE BRENNER: Okay, thank you. It is much
- 13 easier to get a direct answer, which we appreciate, when
- 14 somebody is here as opposed to all of these written
- 15 status reports and, as I said, reports of what somebody
- 16 thought you should say in light of what other people
- 17 Were projecting.
- 18 I think we are finished with your testimony.
- 19 subject to some of you having to come back for some of
- 20 the questions we have asked in the QA/QC area. I am not
- 21 sure whether that is all of you, but in case we don't
- 22 see any of you again in the hearing, we do very much
- 23 appreciate your time here. It is difficult being a
- 24 Witness. It is not made any easier by pressures outside
- 25 the hearing, which we know you have and which all of us

- 1 have to various degrees, and we thank you for your time
- 2 and your attempt to enlighten us. Sometimes we are
- 3 denser on some points than on others and we need more
- 4 enlightening, and that is what the process is all about,
- 5 so thank you very much.
- 6 I don't know if Mr. Muller is going to get
- 7 more sleep when he goes back home with that baby or more
- 8 sleep here.
- 9 WITNESS MULLER: No, Judge Brenner, we have
- 10 been very lucky once again. We have a 12-hour schedule
- 11 set up and there haven't been any problems.
- 12 [Laughter.]
- JUDGE BRENNER: Well, we ought to get you to
- 14 schedule these hearings for us.
- 15 [Laughter.]
- JUDGE BRENNER: We will take a break until
- 17 11:25 and then we will begin with Mr. Hubbard on the
- 18 stand.
- 19 [Recess.]
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1	JUDGE BRENNER: We are ready to go on the
2	record and we are up to Mr. Hubbard as a witness.
3	Welcome back to the stand, if that is the right word.
4	Whereupon,
5	RICHARD B. HUBBARD
6	was recalled as a witness by counsel for Suffolk County
7	and, having been previously duly sworn, was further
8	examined and testified as follows:
9	MR. LANPHER: Judge Brenner, I think Mr.
10	Hubbard was previously sworn, I think on May 4.
11	I would like to have four documents marked as
12	exhibits. First, as Suffolk County Exhibit 89-A, a
13	document entitled "Prepared Direct Testimony of Richard
14	B. Hubbard on behalf of Suffolk County Regarding Suffol
15	County Contentions 12, 13, 14, and 15, Quality
16	Assurance/Quality Control," and it is dated June 29,
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	contents, and has 98 numbered pages.
	(The document referred to
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20	was marked Suffolk County
21	Exhibit Number 89-A for
22	identification.)
23	MR. LANPHER: I would like to have marked as

24 Suffolk County Exhibit 89-B a document entitled

25 "Attachments to Prepared Direct Testimony of Richard B.

1	Hubbard on behalf of Suffolk County", regarding the same
2	Contentions and bearing the same date. And, for the
3	record, it contains ten attachments which are listed on
4	the second page as part of the testimony, but given its
5	size we would have it marked as a separate sub-exhibit.
6	JUDGE BRENNER: All right.
7	(The document referred to
8	was marked Suffolk County
9	Exhibit Number 89-B for
10	identification.)
11	MR. LANPHER: I would like to have marked as
12	Suffolk County Exhibit 89-C a document entitled "Errata
13	to Prefiled Direct Testimony of Richard B. Hubbard on
14	Suffolk County Contentions 12 through 15," and it
15	consists of four pages.
16	We also handed out yesterday a revised table
17	as part of the errata, which has been inserted in the
18	reporter's copy and I believe everyone got that. Yes,
19	it is a new page 47 to Mr. Hubbard's prefiled testimony.
20	(The document referred to
21	was marked Suffolk County
22	Exhibit 89-C for
23	identification.)
24	MR. LANPHER: On the errata I have two minor
25	erratas to the errata.

- 1 JUDGE BRENNER: On page 47, that would already
- 2 be in as 89-A, so we ion't have to worry about that.
- 3 MR. LANPHER: Yes, but I have inserted a new
- 4 page in the reporter's copy. On the Errata of Suffolk
- 5 County 89-C, while we are on that, the third, under the
- 6 column "lines", the third item has line 5. It should be
- 7 line 4.
- 8 And about halfway down the page, the largest
- 9 textal portion under "description of change", the last
- 10 word is "complement" and it should be "implement."
- I should note that the errata pertains to
- 12 Suffolk County Exhibit 89-A. There are some
- 13 typographical errors in Suffolk County Exhibit 89-B
- 14 which we have not made changes to, except there are
- 15 three or there are four that we think ought to be made,
- 16 and if I could make them orally -- I am afraid they are
- 17 not included in the errata sheet.
- 18 JUDGE BRENNER: Did you include them in the
- 19 reporter's copy?
- MR. LANPHER: The changes have been made in
- 21 the reporter's copy.
- 22 First, the list of attachments in Suffolk
- 23 County Exhibit 89-B has attachement 2 described as
- 24 Appendix 1 to Suffolk County Contention 12, and that is
- 25 a correct description. However, when you look at

- 1 Attachment, the cover sheet to Attachment 2 in the
- 2 exhibit, it is labeled "Letter, Lampher to Brenner,
- 3 dated March 15," and I won't go into the history of why
- 4 this mistake was made, but it just conforms the
- 5 description of Attachment 2 to what is on the front
- 6 listing of the attachment.
- 7 And then if you go through there are three
- 8 changes I would like to make in Attachment 5. First, on
- 9 page 5-6, the first line, it should be "50.55(e)" rather
- 10 than "3".
- 11 Page 5-35, the first line is "I&E Inspection
- 12 77-17," not "16".
- 13 The final change is on page 5-56, and after on
- 14 the first line -- after "Appendix B" insert three
- 15 words: "welds" -- w-e-1-d-s -- "welds numbered 17."
- 16 Yow I would like to have marked as Suffolk
- 17 County Exhibit 89-D a document entitled "Supplemental
- 18 Direct Testimony of Richard B. Hubbard in response to
- 19 Board Question," and it consists of eight typed pages.
- (The document referred to
- 21 was marked Suffolk County
- 22 Exhibit 89-D for
- 23 identification.)
- 24 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 25 BY MR. LANPHER:

- 1 Q Mr. Hubbard, do Exhibits 89-A -- Suffolk
- 2 County Exhibits 89-A and 89-B together, as corrected by
- 3 Exhibit 89-C, constitute your direct prefiled testimony
- 4 on Suffolk County Contentions 12 through 15?
- 6 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes, sir.
- 8 Q To the best of your knowledge, is that
- 7 testimony, as corrected, true and correct?
- 8 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes, sir.
- 9 MR. LANPHER: I think I will do it separately
- 10 at this point. We would like to move the admission of
- 11 the prefiled direct testimony, Suffolk County Exhibit
- 12 89-A, B and C, into evidence, and then we will take up
- 13 the supplemental testimony.
- 14 JUDGE BRENNER: Off the record for a minute.
- 15 (A discussion was held off the record.)
- JUDGE BRENNER: Back on the record.
- 17 All right. In the absence of any objections,
- 18 We will admit Suffolk County Exhibits 89-A, B and C into
- 19 evidence. Mr. Ellis, I am sorry. Because of the bulk
- 20 of their totality, even though we could separate out
- 21 parts of them, there is no need. We will leave them all
- 22 as exhibits and we will not bind any of them in.
- 23 MR. ELLIS: I am sorry. I should have asked
- 24 sooner, Judge Brenner. I am not sure what arrangements
- 25 we had made previously. Many of the attachments are not

- 1 documents prepared by MHB or Mr. Hubbard, and, for
- 2 example, speeches by Chairman Palladino --
- 3 JUDGE BRENNER: Yes. But that is why we have
- 4 motions to strike in advance of all of this so we don't
- 5 have to deal with this at the time the testimony is
- 6 admitted.
- 7 MR. ELLIS: But the motion to strike would be
- 8 whether it was relevant. I am talking about whether it
- 9 is admitted for the truth of what is asserted.
- 10 JUDGE BRENNER: No, sir. The motion is to
- 11 strike or to not admit any of the testimony. They are
- 12 sometimes inartfully termed motions to strike because
- 13 the testimony physically exists, but, as we have
- 14 discussed at least one time, they are motions to not
- 15 admit for whatever evidentiary reasons that could have
- 16 been apparent prior to cross examination.
- 17 We had lengthy discussions in the beginning of
- 18 this case as to that, and if you had an evidentiary
- 19 problem, that is different than one that could arise
- 20 only after cross examination. But if you had an
- 21 evidentiary problem of not admitting them because he is
- 22 not the author, that is clearly something that could
- 23 have and should have been raised by virtue of the motion
- 24 to strike, and I just don't want to hear it now.
- MR. ELLIS: Well, then --

- JUDGE BRENNER: You could state it for the
- 2 record, but I am unlikely to grant it unless you really
- 3 pique my interest on something therein. But go ahead
- 4 and state it.
- 6 MR. ELLIS: Well, I do object to the
- 6 introduction into evidence for the truth of the matters
- 7 asserted of the attachments that were not authored by
- 8 Mr. Hubbard or his company, because I think they are
- 9 hearsay. I am not under the impression that those had
- 10 to be made in a motion to strike, but I may be in error,
- 11 and I assume that when the Board said are there any
- 12 objections at the time the material was offered is the
- 13 time to make that objection.
- 14 JUDGE BRENNER: Well, I guess I don't really
- 15 know why I said any objections, given the motion to
- 16 strike procedure. Put once in a while something could
- 17 pop up. For example, we could have forgotten that we
- 18 granted motions to strike, in part due to the passage of
- 19 time, or things like that.
- 20 And although it was my recollection that we
- 21 denied all the motions to strike with respect to Mr.
- 22 Hubbard's testimony, I could have been wrong, and that
- 23 would have been an opportunity for you to say that.
- 24 We are not joing to grant your objection for
- 25 reasons that there are many attachments here and the

- 1 considerations could vary on your objection, depending
- 2 upon the attachments, and it would have taken some
- 3 consideration by us, which we would have been willing to
- 4 give over the many months. We had time to give such
- 5 consideration.
- 6 I am not going to belabor the record and bog
- 7 down the proceeding now, and it is for that very
- 8 reason. In addition, the simplistic fact that he is not
- 9 the author is not in and of itself a reason.
- 10 MR. ELLIS: Well, I hadn't finished.
- 11 JUDGE BRENNER: I'm sorry. I thought you
- 12 were. I apologize.
- 13 MR. ELLIS: The other objection I would like
- 14 to state for the record is that many of these are
- 15 lengthy documents and they may be just in a footnote or
- 16 just a passing reference to them, and they may be fairly
- 17 lengthy documents, and it has generally been that we
- 18 admit only for the matter on which there is testimony,
- 19 and not for the whole document.
- 20 So that would be an additional basis of the
- 21 objection that I would state.
- JUDGE BRENNER: Yes, and do you recall when
- 23 the County had a similar problem with your testimony, it
- 24 was taken care of in advance among the parties with a
- 25 little bit of some it raised before us? But in reality

- 1 we didn't have to rule so much as encourage, and that
- 2 was the purpose of that type of thing.
- I can assure you that if there is some major
- 4 point buried in those attachments that we hear about for
- & the first time on findings, which is different than
- 6 where the focus has been in the written testimony -- the
- 7 base written testimony -- we are not suddenly going to
- 8 say, "Oh, yes, there is something," and rely heavily on
- 9 it.
- 10 So obviously there are gradations, and what
- 11 Mr. Hubbard thought was most important, presumably, he
- 12 did choose to include in his testimony, the base
- 13 testimony. Now the inclusion may be by reference to
- 14 other documents, and he has done that on occasion. But
- 15 as far as we are concerned, that reference certainly has
- 16 highlighted those portions of that document to us.
- 17 But I am not precluding the fact that we may
- 18 use other things in there, and we could have taken care
- 19 of this much better. Where would a be in this
- 20 proceeding if we stopped at the time of admission of
- 21 testimony with the witnesses on the stand, for example
- 22 with the many LI of witnesses sitting here, if we
- 23 followed the accounter? I have seen that happen in
- 24 other hearings, in that is why we adopted many
- 25 different procedures, not the least of which was the

- 1 motion to strike over the many months of this hearing to
- 2 avoid that.
- And that has certainly been the spirit, if not
- 4 the letter, of what we have been doing, and the point
- 5 you are raising now is inconsistent with that. And if I
- 6 wanted to deal with it now, I think you will agree I
- ; couldn't do it very rapidly. Do you agree with that, or
- 8 is it something -- I can't suddenly say, "oh, yes, he
- 9 hasn't authored the documents. We won't admit them."
- 10 It is not tha simple, is it? I guess you
- 11 don't want to agree or disagree.
- 12 MR. ELLIS: I think I may have just a
- 13 different view, Judge Brenner, and I can understand your
- 14 view, and I think in your view it would not be a simple
- 15 matter. Yes, sir, I understand that.
- 16 JUDGE BRENNER: Well, there are exceptions in
- 17 the Federal Rules of Evidence and courts for the use of
- 18 documents by experts, even before we get into the other
- 19 argument that we should be even more liberal. So even
- 20 if we were strictly following the court procedure in the
- 21 Federal Rules of Evidence, it wouldn't be that simple.
- I do wish, for your benefit, we had had this
- 23 conversation other than the moment he is on the stand,
- 24 and I think everything we have done made that clear,
- 25 that that would be our intent and purpose.

1	If while he is on the stand, off the record, you
2	want to continue to try to talk to County counsel to see
3	if you can get some understanding as to the particular
4	portions of the attachments that they will mainly rely
5	on, similar to the kind of arrangement you were able to
6	give the County, we certainly would have no problem with
7	that. But I don't want to stop the proceeding now.
8	All right. So those documents Suffolk
9	County Exhibits 89-A through C are admitted into
10	evidence.
11	(The documents previously
12	marked Suffolk County
13	Exhibit Numbers 89-A through
14	C for identification were
15	received in evidence.)
	BY MR. LANPHER: (Resuming)
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17	Q Mr. Hubbard, turning your attention to Suffolk
18	County Exhibit 89-D, the supplemental direct testimony,
19	is that supplemental testimony true and correct to the
20	best of your knowledge?
21	A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes.
22	O And was this testimony prepared in order to

- 22 Q And was this testimony prepared in order to
- 23 respond to an inquiry raised by the Board during the
- 24 earlier phases of the QA/QC hearing?
- 25 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes, sir.

- MR. LANPHER: Judge Brenner, I would move the
- 2 admission of Suffolk County Exhibit 89-D.
- 3 JUDGE BRENNER: This one's a little different
- 4 in the sense that you din't have any prior opportunity
- 5 to file motions to strike, so at this time my request
- 6 for objections is a little bit more sincere, if there
- 7 are any.
- 8 MR. ELLIS: Judge Brenner, I am going to ask
- 9 for grace again. We received this yesterday, I believe,
- 10 and I would like some time to look at it. I won't be
- 11 inquiring into it today, and I will try to look at it as
- 12 quickly as possible and get back to the Board on it
- 13 tomorrow.
- 14 JUDGE BRENNER: That is acceptable to us. Let
- 15 me make a statement about it, and this may guide you.
- 16 We did ask Mr. Hubbard to respond to our
- 17 question. We think this writing does in fact respond to
- 18 the question, as asked, and, in fact, is reasonably
- 19 restricted to the questions asked. We perhaps
- 20 inartfully and without thinking permitted him to do it
- 21 orally. We think what the County has done is an
- 22 improvement which perhaps we ourselves should have asked
- 23 for for the benefit of the Board and the parties of
- 24 having it in writing. And, quite frankly, we appreciate
- 25 their making the effort to put it in writing.

- 1 As I said, we would have allowed them to do it
- 2 orally, of course, so we do appreciate it. This also,
- 3 when I said "makes it easy for the other parties", gives
- 4 you an opportunity to see if there is something we would
- 5 object to other than on the spot at the time of the oral
- 6 response, and we will give you that opportunity tomorrow
- 7 morning on it.
- 8 All right. Let's hold off on it now and
- 9 perhaps since it is separated out to some extent, in
- 10 addition to being an exhibit, if we do admit it into
- 11 evidence, at the appropriate time we will bind it in
- 12 also.
- 13 MR. LANPHER: My motivation otherwise --
- 14 JUDGE BRENNER: You wanted to do it first?
- MR. LANPHER: Well, it doesn't matter to me.
- 16 I originally had intended to ask him basically this
- 17 question and then have him respond orally before I
- 18 turned Mr. Hubbard over for cross examination.
- 19 If they are going to hold up examination on
- 20 it, I would -- that is fine. If, for some Leason, the
- 21 Board does not want to admit this at a later date, I
- 22 think Mr. Hubbard should have an opportunity to respond
- 23 to the inquiry which you had raised.
- 24 JUDGE BRENNER: Well, you heard my comments.
- 25 We are going to take care of it in some way, but I don't

- 1 want to preclude LILCO from seeing something in there
- 2 that we on our own didn't see. That is why we have
- 3 parties to tell us things.
- 4 MR. ELLIS: Yes. I just wanted to be clear I
- 5 am not saying I have looked and I think I see a problem
- 6 with it. I am saying I have not looked at it.
- JUDGE BRENNER: I understand.
- 8 MR. LANPHER: Judge Brenner, in light of
- 9 deferring that, and given the large audience that we
- 10 have here, Mr. Hubbard is going to forego providing a
- 11 summary, an oral summary. I think his views will come
- 12 out and so he is available for cross examination.
- 13 JUDGE BRENNER: I want to make the comment --
- 14 and you can respond or not respond -- in fact, I am
- 15 giving you ample opportunity not to respond so you don't
- 16 have to worry about posturing that you could have made
- 17 that very same comment many days in Long Island also.
- 18 That is, there was no audience other than the
- 19 participants in the proceeding.
- 20 All right. He is available for cross
- 21 examination.
- 22 MR. ELLIS: Judge Brenner, I intend to, since
- 23 the Board will know and also, to some extent, Mr.
- 24 Hubbard and other parties, will know, I intend to go
- 25 first to the basic area of qualifications. Then I have

- 1 a number of questions just to clarify. I don't intend
- 2 to explore some things in great deal on the errata that
- 3 I need to understand in order consider.
- And then I will be going to III on the cross
- 5 examination plan.
- 6 JUDGE BRENNER: I may have noted at the
- 7 time -- if I diin't, let me note it now -- we did
- 8 receive, as we had requested, LILCO's revised cross
- 9 examination plan very timely in accordance with the
- 10 adjustments we made along the way on November 18, and we
- 11 appreciated that.
- 12 It looks like -- one reason I raised it was to
- 13 think about when we would get the revised cross plan
- 14 from the County of the Staff's witnesses. It looks like
- 18 Tuesday would be fine, in that the Staff is unlikely to
- 16 start first thing Tuesday, and that will give you at
- 17 least a day more than you may have been previously
- 18 contemplating -- that is, the weekend and Monday -- so
- 19 that is all right with us, if that helps you.
- 20 MR. LANPHER: That was the assumption I was
- 21 proceeding under. Some of the things I will want to
- 22 include will probably depend, for obvious reasons, on
- 23 some of the examination of Mr. Hubbard, so that will be
- 24 helpful.
- 25 MR. ELLIS: Judge Brenner, I think I would

- 1 also like to state maybe I am becoming excessively
- 2 sensitive.
- 3 JUDGE BRENNER: Only because it has been a
- 4 long week or long weeks for all of us here, so don't
- 5 apologize.
- 6 MR. ELLIS: I originally estimated two days
- 7 with Mr. Hubbard, I think, and I no longer am confident
- 8 about that estimate, and I wanted you to know that
- 9 fairly early. Although I am not in a position now to
- 10 tell you how long, I do not think it will be on the
- 11 order of the other side of the coin, but I think it
- 12 could be three to four days, is my best guess. And I
- 13 will continue to try to give the Board and the parties a
- 14 better estimate and revised cross plan, if that appears
- 15 appropriate.
- JUDGE BRENNER: Okay. Let me go off the
- 17 record for a minute.
- 18 (A discussion was held off the record.)
- JUDGE BRENNER: Let's go back on the record.
- 20 You had just given us your revised estimate,
- 21 which we appreciate, and the fact that you will keep us
- 22 updated and as you see the need to do that, and we
- 23 understand the sequence you have given us so far from
- 24 the cross plan.
- 25 CROSS EXAMINATION

- 1 BY MR. ELLIS:
- 2 Q Mr. Hubbard, it is true, isn't it, that you
- 3 have never been involved or employed by a utility to
- 4 participate or play any role in the operation of a
- 5 nuclear power plant?
- 6 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) That is correct.
- 7 Q And I think, as you have testified in 7B, you
- 8 are not certified or licensed as an operator of a
- 9 nuclear power plant, are you?
- 10 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) That is correct.
- 11 Q In the course of your employment at GE, were
- 12 you ever assigned as a resident at any operating nuclear
- 13 power plant?
- 14 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I'm not sure what you mean
- 15 by "resident". I, for GE, visited a number of the
- 16 plants to resolve engineering problems and quality
- 17 problems. In fact, Mr. Robare, the present GE quality
- 18 or project manager, worked for me and I assigned him to
- 19 LILCO when I was responsible for the project engineers.
- 20 So I visited a number of the sites in an official
- 21 capacity.
- 22 A Have you ever been assigned as a resident to
- 23 remain at the plant by GE?
- 24 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) No, I have not, at a
- 25 nuclear construction site. I did work for GE's

- 1 installation service engineering and I was a resident at
- 2 a steel mill for a number of months during the startup
- 3 of the steel mill.
- 4 Q Have you ever developed or participated in the
- 5 development of a quality assurance program for an
- 6 operating nuclear power plant?
- 7 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I have not been hird by a
- 8 utility to do that. However, I did review the
- 9 Monticello and Prairie Island quality programs for the
- 10 State of Minnesota. I reviewed quality programs at
- 11 other plants as part of doing probabilistic risk
- 12 assessments, and while I was at GE I was responsible for
- 13 the spare and renewal parts warehouse, where we provided
- 14 the quality equipment for the operating plants.
- I also am a member of the IEEE Committee that
- 16 is writing the quality assurance standards and, in fact,
- 17 during the time we were away in August I was Chairman of
- 18 the Committee that was preparing the standards on
- 19 replacement parts for Class 1 equipment or temporary
- 20 Chairman, at that time.
- 21 And I also have prepared two, or was on the
- 22 committee that prepared two of the other IEEE standards,
- 23 one of them having to do with calibration, and another
- 24 having to do with calibration of maintenance and test
- 25 equipment. And this was also during the operation

- 1 phase. And, likewise, another one -- N45 2.4,
- 2 Insulation Inspection and Testing of Instrumentation
- 3 Electrical Equipment. I am a member of the committee
- 4 that is responsible for that.
- 5 Q Mr. Hubbard, let me repeat my question. Have
- 6 you ever developed or participated in the development of
- 7 a quality assurance program such as the one that we have
- 8 been reviewing in this proceeding for an operating
- 9 nuclear power plant?
- 10 I didn't ask you whether you reviewed it. I
- 11 asked you whether you developed or participated in the
- 12 development of a quality assurance program for an
- 13 operating nuclear power plant.
- 14 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Mr. Ellis, I think my
- 15 previous answer showed that, for example, that the
- 16 operating QA program has to meet certain of the ANSI
- 17 standards. I was one of the co-authors of the ANSI
- 18 standards that the OQA program is being developed to
- 19 meet.
- I would add one further thing. In my mind,
- 21 quality assurance is quality assurance. The same
- 22 process and discipline apply, whether it is operation or
- 23 Whether it is manufacturing. I mean, the 18 criteria
- 24 are the 18 criteria and they apply during design and
- 25 they apply during installation, and they apply during

- 1 construction and they apply during operation.
- 2 O Mr. Hubbard, perhaps we are going to move
- 3 quicker if you will give me a yes or no and then
- 4 whatever explanation you want to give me. You realize
- 5 we have been talking about the Quality Assurance Manual
- 6 for Shoreham and the CAPSs, the procedures. You are
- 7 familiar with those?
- 8 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes, sir.
- 9 Q Have you ever developed or participated in the
- 10 development of a quality assurance program for an
- 11 operating nuclear power plant?
- 12 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I believe I have answered
- 13 that twice before. I thought my first answer was I said
- 14 that I had not written a manual for a utility, and then
- 15 I went into how I have reviewed it for a number of
- 16 parties and how the manual -- well, I will just leave
- 17 the answer the way it was. I thought I answered it
- 18 directly the first time.
- 19 O Perhaps you did. So your answer is that you
- 20 have not written manuals or procedures for an operating
- 21 quality assurance program for an operating nuclear power
- 22 plant. Is that correct?
- 23 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) That is correct, sir.
- 24 Q Is it also true that you have never been
- 25 involved in the implementation or been responsible for

- 1 the implementation of an operating quality assurance
- 2 program for an operating nuclear power plant?
- 3 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) That is correct.
- 4 0 I think you already indicated that you have
- 5 never been part of the organization that managed or ran
- 6 a nuclear power plant. Is that correct?
- 7 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) It would be helpful if we
- 8 could be more specific with definitions. What was your
- 9 question -- manage?
- 10 You have never worked at an operating nuclear
- 11 power plant, have you, Mr. Hubbard?
- 12 MR. LANPHER: Excuse me. Could I get a
- 13 clarification? Do you mean employed by the utility? He
- 14 already testified he has gone to plants when he was with
- 15 GE.
- 16 JUDGE BRENNER: I think that clarification
- 17 would be useful. The earlier question that you
- 18 withdraw, you used the word "involved". Given what Mr.
- 19 Hubbard has done, those kind of words will create
- 20 problems.
- MR. ELLIS: I agree.
- JUDGE BRENNER: You can use a word like
- 23 "involved" when the answer is going to be "I never had
- 24 anything to do with any of it," but it is not that
- 25 simple with Mr. Hubbard.

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BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
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             Have you ever been employed by a utility or
 3 any other entity to participate in any facet of the
 4 operation of a nuclear power plant -- an operating
   nuclear power plant?
        A (WITNESS HUBBARD) As my resume would
 7 indicate, I have not been hired by a utility to write
8 the procedures for an operating plant. However, when I
9 was at General Electric one of my responsibilities was
   managing the quality program for the spares warehouse
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   and we provided all of the spares that came from General
   Electric for operating nuclear power plants.
             I also was responsible for the quality program
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   for things that failed at operating plants, such as
   feedwater spargers and core spray spargers and reactor
   internals and things of this sort when we would be
   manufacturing those as replacement items. So I am
   familiar with the quality standards that were required
   for replacements at operating nuclear plants, again, as
   well as being on the national committee writing the
   standard for them.
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- 1 Q You indicated, you said all the spares for
- 2 GE. That is not entirely accurate, is it? You weren't
- 3 responsible for fuel, were you?
- 4 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) That is correct, Mr.
- 5 Ellis. All of the spares came from GE's San Jose
- 6 headquarters.
- 7 Q So that would have been the Control and
- 8 Instrumentation Department?
- 9 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) It was more than that, Mr.
- 10 Ellis, because there were things such reactor internals
- 11 and various other parts that had been left over from the
- 12 turnkey days. So for General Electric, the spares that
- 13 were produced in response to what I might call
- 14 engineered equipment procurement, large things like
- 15 pumps and so forth, those were in the spares warehouse
- 16 in San Jose. There were also spares there from the
- 17 turnkey days. There were spares there that we
- 18 manufactured, special, one-of-a-kind things such as the
- 19 feedwater spargers and nozzles and things of that sort,
- 20 as well as the electronic area of control and
- 21 instrumentation. So it was broader than just the
- 22 products manufactured in San Jose.
- 23 Q I think you've already testified that you have
- 24 not prepared manuals, section manuals or procedures for
- 25 operating quality assurance for a nuclear power plant.

- 1 Is it also true that you have not prepared sections of
- 2 FSARs dealing with operating quality assurance for
- 3 nuclear power plants?
- 4 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I have not prepared the
- 5 section of the FSAR for the utility for an operating
- 8 plant, that is correct. When I was at GE I did
- 7 participate in the writing and review of the GE portion
- 8 of the PSAR, and what sometimes in earlier days was also
- 9 a writeup of GE and the FSAR, as well as what is in
- 10 FESSAR and the GE topical report.
- 11 Q Now, my question, though, my question was
- 12 about the operating quality assurance section of the
- 13 FSARs. Is it your testimony that while you were at GE
- 14 you did that, you prepared sections relating to
- 15 operating quality assurance?
- 16 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I'm sorry if that answer
- 17 was confusing, Mr. Ellis. I thought I had answered no,
- 18 that I had not done that portion for the utility.
- 19 JUDGE BRENNER: I think Mr. Ellis' problem
- 20 might be that when you did reference the fact that in
- 21 Writing the GE portion of PSARs and also some FSARs with
- 22 respect to special type things such as GESSAR, he is
- 23 unsure as to whether those writeups involved OQA matters.
- 24 WITNESS HUBBARD: Well, the whole matter of
- 25 What's in a FSAR as it relates to GE is, in my opinion,

- 1 somewhat confusing, because in FSARs some have a
- 2 description of what GE did which comes from the PSAR or
- 3 the GESSAR sorts of writeups. But those particular
- 4 types of writeups, my understanding is, are not reviewed
- 5 by the staff at the operating license stage. So there
- 6 are parts in the FSARs that I had a hand in, both
- 7 writing and reviewing, but I don't think that those are
- 8 relied upon by the staff because they don't rely upon
- 9 anything in the FSAR having to do with the Section 17-1.
- 10 Section 17-2, having to do with operating QA,
- 11 is relied upon by the staff, I understand.
- 12 JUDGE BRENNER: Did you write anything that
- 13 would be the equivalent of the operating QA such as
- 14 might be found in today's FSARs in Section 17-2 for
- 15 GESSAR, for example, which you referenced, or for
- 16 anything else?
- 17 WITNESS HUBBARD: I can't recall that. I can
- 18 recall very specifically being involved in the writeup
- 19 of the GE topical reports and also what is the standard
- 20 FSAR writeups. What appears at the operating license
- 21 stage I haven't checked all of the plants on; but, in
- 22 general -- well, it would have been a description of
- 23 what GE did.
- 24 BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 25 Q So that would have been the equivalent of

- 1 Section 17-1 and not 17-2 relating to operational QA, is
- 2 that right, Mr. Hubbard?
- 3 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes, sir, Mr. Ellis.
- 4 Q A few moments ago you indicated you had
- 5 reviewed quality programs at I think you said
- 6 Monticello, is that right?
- 7 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes, sir.
- 8 Q Is that the operating quality assurance
- 9 program?
- 10 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes, sir.
- 11 Q In what capacity and for what purpose did you
- 12 review that program?
- 13 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Following the accident at
- 14 Three Mile Island the State of Minnesota at the request
- 15 of the Governor, I believe, came up with approximately a
- 13 nine-member committee to do a safety assessment of the
- 17 safety of the Prairie Island and Monticello operating
- 18 nuclear plants. And as the first phase of this
- 19 independent review committee, they went out and selected
- 20 a consultant to come in and draft or review the safety
- 21 of the plants and then develop a study plan for the
- 22 state to implement. And we were hired to do that, and
- 23 in that capacity I did review the operating QA programs
- 24 at both Prairie Island and Monticello.
- 25 Q Did you submit any report in writing in that

- 1 connection?
- 2 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes, sir. And that is
- 3 listed in my list of publications. That is number 23.
- 4 Q What are you referring to now?
- 5 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) This was the list, the
- 8 attachment to the 7-B testimony. Well, at the time of
- 7 7-B there were lengthy qualifications that were entered
- 8 into the record, and on page 7 of that, item 23 has the
- 9 Monticello and Prairie Island reference.
- 10 I also did a similar thing like that for the
- 11 Department of Energy. It is an on item number 18 in the
- 12 list of publications. It is "Improving the Safety of
- 13 LWR Power Plants," Publication ALO-62. That was a study
- 14 that my company and I personally did for Sandia
- 15 Laboratories for the Department of Energy, looking at
- 16 ways to improve the safety of operating plants. And
- 17 that again went into quality assurance.
- 18 JUDGE BRENNER: As long as we are at it. Mr.
- 19 Lanpher, do you remember what transcript page we bound
- 20 those qualifications in? It was a page I once had
- 21 committed to memory.
- MR. LANPHER: I don't, but I do have that list
- 23 of the documents, and maybe over lunch --
- JUDGE BRENNER: I think we have got the
- 25 reference now.

- BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 2 On the -- I think you indicated you developed
- 3 a plan for the safety assessment of Monticello and
- 4 Prairie Island. Am I correct you developed a plan for
- 5 the safety assessment?
- 8 A That is correct. We went out, and we reviewed
- 7 a number of areas, and what we basically did is we said
- 8 improving safety, there is really three ways you can do
- 9 it. One is to reduce the probability of accidents, and
- 10 we went into programs to reduce accident probability.
- 11 Then the second block was looking at ways to reduce the
- 12 consequences of accidents, and we went into programs
- 13 that they could consider for consequence reduction. And
- 14 then the third we said was an umbrella over all of this
- 15 having to do with probability and consequence. It was
- 16 What we called operating effectiveness. And those were
- 17 things like quality assurance and training and a number
- 18 of other areas, and we went into programs in that area,
- 19 saying that a balanced expenditure of funds by the state
- 20 should go to all three areas, not just what typically
- 21 had been done going into the probability reduction areas
- 22 of equipment.
- 23 Q Mr. Hubbard, my question was -- and let me
- 24 state it more specifically -- did you just prepare the
- 25 plan for the safety assessment, or did you actually do

- 1 the safety assessment?
- 2 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) That is a difficult
- 3 question to answer, Mr. Ellis, and try to understand the
- 4 difficulty. We had to do some amount of safety
- 5 assessment to prepare the plan, and we prepared the plan
- 6 based upon our preliminary assessment. It was typically
- 7 in the engineering work like phase I and phase II, so
- 8 what we did was phase I where we scoped out what should
- 9 be done in the more detailed studies.
- 10 We had to do some amount of study to arrive at
- 11 What the elements of the program ought to be. We did
- 12 not do the detailed study, however, the followup to our
- 13 recommendations.
- 14 So you and your organization did not do a
- 15 detailed assessment of the operating quality assurance
- 16 programs at Prairie Island or Monticello, did you?
- 17 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Well, I don't know what you
- 18 mean by the word "detailed."
- 19 Q Well, I just used your word, Mr. Hubbard.
- 20 MR. LANPHER: I object to that. That was not
- 21 his word in that context, the context of the question
- 22 that Mr. Ellis asked. So I think it is a legitimate
- 23 statement by Mr. Hubbard that he doesn't understand what
- 24 Mr. Ellis means by "detailed."
- 25 JUDGE BRENNER: I agree with what Mr. Lanpher

- 1 just said. In any event, we're going to get to Mr.
- 2 Hubbard's explanation either way.
- 3 Can you explain what you did with respect to
- 4 your assessment of the operating quality assurance
- 5 program there, Mr. Hubbard, and then let Mr. Ellis and
- 6 everybody else decide whether it is detailed or not
- 7 detailed?
- 8 WITNESS HUBBARD: We looked at staffing
- 9 levels. We looked at organization. We looked at the
- 10 procedures to see how detailed they were, how complete
- 11 they were, things of that sort.
- 12 BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 13 Q Is that all reflected in your document that
- 14 you said was the development of the study plans for
- 15 Prairie Island and Monticello?
- 16 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Whatever we concluded is in
- 17 there. I have to frankly say it has been a long time
- 18 since then, so I don't recall what is there. But
- 19 whatever we did is there, and it is a publicly available
- 20 document.
- 21 Q Where is it publicly available?
- 22 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) It is available from the
- 23 State of Minnesota.
- 24 Q Do you have a copy?
- 25 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) No, I don't. I think --

- 1 well, I was going to say my recollection is we provided
- 2 that document to Mr. Williams back in May or so. We
- 3 went through each of our professional qualifications and
- 4 a number of our publications that were circled, and I
- 5 can't recall at this time which ones we provided, but
- 6 whichever ones you asked for.
- 7 JUDGE BRENNER: When you said you didn't have
- 8 a copy did you mean that you didn't have one here or you
- 9 don't have one anywhere?
- 10 WITNESS HUBBARD: I think there is one in San
- 11 Jose.
- 12 JUDGE BRENNER: You just meant you didn't have
- 13 one here?
- 14 WITNESS HUBBARD: I do not have one here.
- 15 JUDGE F.ENNER: We are looking for a logical
- 16 break point for lunch, Mr. Ellis, and we could do it now
- 17 or in a few minutes if you want to get a few more
- 18 questions in.
- MR. ELLIS: Maybe a few more might be useful,
- 20 Judge.
- 21 JUDGE BRENNER: Not too many more.
- MR. ELLIS: Not too many.
- 23 BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 24 O After you developed the safety assessment plan
- 25 Were the safety assessments carried out by some other

- 1 entity?
- 2 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I don't know the answer to
- 3 that. We did present it, and then it went to the
- 4 legislature, and I don't know if phase II ever took
- 5 place.
- 6 You never checked on that at all?
- 7 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) No, we didn't, because it
- 8 was an understanding that whoever did phase I was not
- 9 going to do phase II.
- 10 Q And so you've never made any effort to find
- 11 out whether the study plan that you developed was ever
- 12 used or put into effect?
- 13 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) That is correct.
- I might add to that, Mr. Ellis -- well, I
- 15 won't.
- 16 Q Have you reviewed the Shoreham QA Manual and
- 17 the QAPS procedures?
- 18 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes.
- 19 Q When did you do that?
- 20 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Starting when we obtained
- 21 in April of this year -- I had reviewed some of them
- 22 before that time. We had received in 1977 and I guess
- 23 early 1978, I obtained some of the procedures, and we
- 24 reviewed them at that time. So I have reviewed them
- 25 over a number of years.

- 1 Q At the time that you reviewed them in April of
- 2 this year and earlier is it your view that there were
- 3 specific deficiencies in them?
- 4 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes.
- 5 Q Can you show me where in your testimony there
- 6 is any reference to any specific deficiency in any
- 7 manual paragraph or manual section or QAPS?
- 8 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes.
- 9 Q Okay. Show me.
- 10 JUDGE BRENNER: Is this your idea of a few
- 11 quick questions before we break? I don't know if the
- 12 answer is going to be short or long, but you've invited
- 13 him to go through the testimony of many pages.
- MR. ELLIS: Well, let me ask --
- 15 JUDGE BRENNER: I mean you can do it, but why
- 16 don't we do it after the break rather than before?
- 17 MR. ELLIS: Well, let me ask a question, and
- 18 then he can do that over the break. But let me ask a
- 19 question that might lead to it.
- 20 BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 21 Q You said that you -- at the time that you
- 22 reviewed it in April of this year and earlier that you
- 23 Were reminded that there were specific deficiencies in
- 24 the procedures and the manual. Are we talking about on
- 25 the order of magnitude of fewer than five or more than

- 1 five?
- 2 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I think one has to -- I
- 3 think in direct answer it is greater than five, and I
- 4 would like to add to that that we have to put that
- 5 question in the context. The context of the contention
- 6 was that the FSAR didn't say whether and how, so first
- 7 of all I personally looked at the FSAR to see if that to
- 8 me described an adequate QA program, and I concluded it
- 9 didn't, and I thought -- and that is what the contention
- 10 was. But I thought well, I can't stop really there
- 11 because I'm going to come to the hearing, and you're
- 12 going to say well, that is not what we rely on anyway;
- 13 it is really the manual. Then I went to review the
- 14 manual.
- 15 JUDGE BRENNER: And lo and behold --
- 16 WITNESS HUBBARD: There were two manuals, and
- 17 I thought if I reviewed that and I got to the hearing,
- 18 they will say well, we have got a third manual. And
- 19 that is exactly what happened. We came here and I saw a
- 20 new manual for the first time, and then I thought well,
- 21 now we're going to have to go into the procedures that
- 22 back up the manual. And, frankly, I had not reviewed
- 23 those in the same level of depth that I wanted to to put
- 24 in the testimony. I thought that I could do a lot of
- 25 that work and it would all -- by the time I got to the

- 1 hearing it would not have proven to be of great value.
- 2 So I had to make an assessment within the limited time I
- 3 had of what I could do, so I started with the FSAR and
- 4 then went to the manual and then looked at the
- 5 procedures.
- 6 BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 7 Q Are you saying that not until the QA hearings
- 8 began did you become aware of the existence of what is I
- 9 believe Attachment 4 to the LILCO testimony?
- 10 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) That is correct. That
- 11 manual is dated June 21 or May 21 or something. That
- 12 was the first time I had seen that, and we were --
- 13 during discovery, as I outlined in my testimony, we were
- 14 given two operating QA Manuals, an operating QA Manual
- 15 and a draft operating QA Manual. And we were also given
- 16 an audit report where it was said that you should
- 17 combine them into one manual, which I understood you
- 18 were doing.
- 19 And in looking at my allocation of time, and
- 20 in particular, since the contention had to do with the
- 21 FSAR, I decided I was not going to spend a lot of time
- 22 in the testimony going into a manual which I figured I
- 23 was going to see a new manual of by the time I got on
- 24 the witness stand.
- 25 Q Well, do I understand then that the level of

- 1 detail and specificity of procedures was never in your
- 2 mind in the scope of the contention?
- 3 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I did not say that, Mr.
- 4 Ellis. My personal philosophy is that the contention
- 5 says that there is not enough description in the FSAR,
- 6 and I related that to what was in emergency planning a
- 7 few years back; that there would just be a few words in
- 8 the FSAR, a short section saying yes, we have an
- 9 emergency plan, and then separately you had to go look
- 10 at the emergency plan.
- 11 Well, now, you know, after Three Mile Island
- 12 and things like that -- I was recently involved in
- 13 Diablo Canyon -- now all of a sudden the emergency plan
- 14 is part of the record. Rather than have a short
- 15 description of what is in the emergency plan and in the
- 16 FSAR, the emergency plan is what is really looked at.
- 17 And then, as you are aware, and back to the emergency
- 18 plan, there are emergency operating procedures. So I
- 19 felt quality assurance should go in the same direction;
- 20 that that is what was always intended by the
- 21 regulations; that what would be reflected in the FSAR
- 22 was not something cursory that describes some
- 23 commitments, but rather a rather laidout OA program.
- 24 And that is what I was looking for as part of meeting
- 25 the contention that says the FSAR should have enough to

- 1 demonstrate how the QA program is being implemented.
- 2 Mr. Hubbard, you said that the regulation --
- 3 presumably you were referring to 50.34(b)(6)(ii) -- was
- 4 always intended to require presumably the detail of the
- 5 manual and the procedures. Isn't it true, though, that
- 6 it has always been construed differently; that is, that
- 7 the NRC and industry have construed it differently to
- 8 require the level of detail that you now see in the FSAR
- 9 for Shoreham?
- 10 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I don't believe that is
- 11 true, Mr. Ellis. There are about 36 topical reports
- 12 which have been docketed that I was aware of and
- 13 approved; and so I think a number of the AEs, the
- 14 utilities and the manufacturers are providing much more
- 15 information about exactly how they are implementing
- 16 their QA program.
- 17 So I think that your view might have been
- 18 correct a number of years ago, but dating back to '75
- 19 and on people have tended to provide more and more
- 20 information.
- 21 Q You say "people," Mr. Hubbard. Let's be
- 22 specific. Can you cite me an FSAR currently on file for
- 23 an operating plant that has the manual and the
- 24 procedures included as a part of the description of the
- 25 operating quality assurance program?

- 1 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Well, I would like to
- 2 answer your question and then go on. You said manual
- 3 and procedures. I have not -- my recommendation was not
- 4 manual and procedures, but I wanted to clarify that.
- I haven't made a study of FSARs to know in
- 6 detail what utilities are putting in them. I have
- 7 looked at a number of them, and I have looked at a
- 8 number of topical reports.
- 9 O So wouldn't it be fair then to conclude, Mr.
- 10 Hubbard, that you are not familiar then with the way the
- 11 NRC has construed the requirements of 50.34(b)(6)(ii)?
- 12 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I think it would be better
- 13 for the NRC to say what they mean by that. I have read
- 14 their standard review plan where it says they should
- 15 determine whether and how, and I know in my own mind
- 16 what it means to say how. And I also remember in 1972 I
- 17 was audited by the ASME to get an N stamp for GE, and
- 18 the first time they came in to audit the GE program we
- 19 had a QA Manual that was much like what is in the FSAR,
- 20 and I have to say we didn't pass; that they said that
- 21 that was not adequate; that they wanted a manual that
- 22 really demonstrated how we planned to implement the
- 23 program.
- I will never forget that because I learned
- 25 right then and there they wanted to know who does what,

- 1 when and how, and they expected that to be in the
- 2 manual. And while it was a painful experience in 1972,
- 3 over the years I found that that was the right thing to
- 4 do. So when I look at how now, that is the thing I look
- 5 at, whether it says who does what, when and how.
- 6 Q :r. Hubbard, that was ASME and not the NRC,
- 7 isn't that correct, and that was a manual and not an
- 8 FSAR, is that correct?
- 9 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) That is correct. That was
- 10 a manual that gave us a coie stamp. That was also what
- 11 the NRC, at that time the AEC, relied upon for that part
- 12 of the GE program.
- 13 MR. ELLIS: Judge Brenner, this might be an
- 14 appropriate time to break.
- 15 JUDGE BRENNER: You did that just in time to
- 16 avoid my comment that counsel lose the right to pick a
- 17 convenient time if the time by experience proves
- 18 constantly to be too inconvenient.
- (Laughter.)
- 20 JUDGE BRENNER: All right. We will break for
- 21 an hour and a half, until 2:00.
- (Whereupon, at 12:30 p.m., the hearing was
- 23 recessed for lunch, to be reconvened at 2:00 p.m., the
- 24 same day.)

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1	AFTERNOON SESSION
2	(2:00 p.m.)
3	JUDGE BRENNER: We are ready to proceed, in
4	fact, continuing the cross examination.
5	Whereupon,
6	RICHARD B. HUBBARD
7	resumed the stand and was further examined and testified
8	as follows:
9	CROSS EYAMINATION Continued
10	BY MR. ELLIS:
11	Q Mr. Hubbard, before the lunch break we were
12	talking about the development of study plans that you
13	did with respect to Prairie Island and Monticello. In
14	developing those study plans how long did the actual
15	work of that development of the study plans last?
16	A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Mr. Ellis, you will have to
17	refresh my memory, but I believe we started in February,
18	and as I recall, in September presented a final draft of
19	that to the Nuclear Review Committee for the State of
20	Minnesota.
21	Q It is dated in August, isn't it?
22	A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Well, the report may be. I
23	think the report is dated in August. We had a public

24 presentation of the results of it, and as I recall that,

25 that happened in September.

- 1 Q The actual work --
- MR. LANPHER: Could I interrupt? There is
- 3 something with the microphones. We are getting a
- 4 ringing sound.
- 5 JUDGE BRENNER: Off the record.
- 6 (Discussion off the record.)
- 7 JUDGE BRENNER: Let's go back on the record.
- 8 BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 9 Q Well, Mr. Hubbard, you've indicated the report
- 10 of the study work began in February, and the report is
- 11 dated August of 1980. What I want to know from you is
- 12 what amount of time was devoted to actual work on the
- 13 development of the study plans?
- 14 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) For clarification, do you
- 15 actually mean man-weeks or man-months or elapsed time?
- 16 I mean what kind of time are you talking about?
- 17 Q Can you give it to me in any of those
- 18 parameters?
- 19 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I think there were around
- 20 20 weeks' worth of effort, man-weeks that went into that
- 21 total study, something in that neighborhood.
- 22 0 All right. And you also testified earlier
- 23 that there were several phases and that operational OA
- 24 Was only one part of one of those phases. Of the 20
- 25 man-weeks approximately what percentage was devoted to

- 1 operational QA?
- 2 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) That is really hard to
- 3 define, but I would say somewhere on the order of two
- 4 weeks to five weeks or something of that sort. I do
- 5 remember February because we toured both of the plants
- 6 and interviewed the people, and that was in February in
- 7 Minnesota and you don't forget that. So there were a
- 8 couple of days doing that, and we not only talked about
- 9 QA but we did look at the training, and we looked at
- 10 some other things within the plant. I would say
- 11 probably two to five weeks.
- 12 Q Well, in terms of actually reviewing manuals
- 13 and procedures are you saying that it was between two
- 14 and five weeks of actually reviewing manuals and
- 15 procedures for the operating QA of two plants?
- 16 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes, Mr. Ellis. And,
- 17 again, these are two plants that are owned by the same
- 18 company. My recollection is not that great, but I think
- 19 they had the same quality program at both plants. I
- 20 know in some of the areas we looked at it was the same
- 21 at both. It was more or less like a corporate plan. I
- 22 think that was the case in quality assurance. But I
- 23 have not read that report in a long time.
- 24 Q It was not part of your assessment, was it, to
- 25 -- or strike assessment. You were developing study

- 1 plans, and in your development of the study plans it was
- 2 not part of that, was it, to determine whether the
- 3 operational quality assurance program was being
- 4 effectively implemented?
- 5 A (WITNESS MUBBARD) I think in the narrow
- 6 context of your question the answer would be yes.
- 7 O Yes, that it was part of it? No, I think you
- 8 are right.
- 9 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I am agreeing with your
- 10 statement in the narrowest sense. I think in a broader
- 11 sense they wanted an impression from us, was that an
- 12 area that needed to be looked into some more, and in
- 13 terms of being looked into in the phase II, what aspects
- 14 should be looked into. And so we did an evaluation to
- 15 that limited extent.
- 16 JUDGE BRENNER: Mr. Hubbard, I'm sorry. I
- 17 forgot to bring your qualifications and publication list
- 18 back up here with me. Could you remind me again who
- 19 that study was done for?
- 20 WITNESS HUBBARD: It was done for the
- 21 Minnesota Pollution Control Agency. However, they were
- 22 doing the work for a Governor's committee that was
- 23 established to look into the safety implications of the
- 24 accident at Three Mile Island as it related to the
- 25 actually three operating plants in the State of

- 1 Minnesota. So while we were paid by the MCPA, we
- 2 officially -- all our contact was with the members of
- 3 the review board. We were essentially their technical
- 4 arm.
- 5 JUDGE BRENNER: I guess I misheard the state
- 6 before, or perhaps I thought one of the plants was in
- 7 Wisconsin, and both plants are in Minnesota.
- 8 WITNESS HUBBARD: That is correct, sir. The
- 9 two, Prairie Island, which is a dual plant, and
- 10 Monticello. Prairie Island is a PWR, and Monticello is
- 11 a BWR.
- 12 JUDGE BRENNER: Thank you.
- 13 BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 14 Q So that I am clear, Mr. Hubbard, I think what
- 15 you indicated is that it was not part of your
- 16 development of the study plans to make an assessment to
- 17 determine whether the OQA program was being effectively
- 18 implemented, but that you did look to see whether the
- 19 program should be part of a second phase, is that
- 20 correct?
- 21 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes. With these caveats.
- 22 We looked at it in terms of things like staffing level
- 23 and like the details that were in the procedures, and as
- 24 I said before, to see what sorts of procedures were
- 25 covered by the program. There are reviews and then

- 1 there are reviews. And the impression I guess I would
- 2 like to give is that it was a type of review that would
- 3 take two to five weeks to do.
- 4 Q But in looking at the level of detail, you did
- 5 not look to see, did you, how the actual implementation
- 6 of the program was being effectively or ineffectively
- 7 carried out?
- 8 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Well, I will define
- 9 "implemenation" as did we go out and re-radiograph a
- 10 weld to see if it was properly welded. If you mean
- 11 implementation that way, we did not go out and see that
- 12 like a repair weld that in fact had been properly done
- 13 and properly QA-ed. We did not take as-built drawings
- 14 and compare those against the plant to see if the
- 15 inspection as-builts had been done; so we didn't go look
- 16 at hardware to see if in fact the QA program had been
- 17 properly implemented. We did, looking at IEE reports to
- 18 see what they had been cited for, we looked at staffing;
- 19 we looked at details in the manuals -- these sorts of
- 20 things that one can do rather readily.
- 21 O So you did not look to see then whether the
- 22 OQa program and the level of detail in the procedures
- 23 was being adequately understood and effectively
- 24 implemented in terms of what actually went on in the
- 25 plant?

- 1 MR. LANPHER: I object. I think that has been
- 2 asked and answered. If he has specific activities that
- 3 he wants to ask did you do this, that, I think, is a
- 4 much better way to get at it.
- 5 JUDGE BRENNER: I think it is starting to get
- 6 a little repetitive, but there is some problem with the
- 7 language back and forth in the questions and answers,
- 8 and he is trying to nail it down. But I've got to
- 9 believe there -- well, I'm going to allow that guestion,
- 10 but I think there is definitely a more efficient way of
- 11 finding out what the extent of this one study is.
- 12 We have been talking about this one study for
- 13 a long time now and not in terms of the details of the
- 14 study, but it is in the realm of qualifications to find
- 15 out what the extent is. And I think you have to balance
- 16 that against the importance in terms of our ultimate
- 17 findings on this issue here before us.
- 18 MR. ELLIS: Yes, sir. I will do that. I
- 19 would hope that I would be granted some leeway in terms
- 20 of the length of time, differential lengths of time of
- 21 examination; and I will do my best to move it along.
- 22 JUDGE BRENNER: I'm not talking about total
- 23 time. I'm merely talking about the efficiency of this
- 24 one subpart.
- 25 Well, I will take a chance and say a little

- 1 more. You've got a witness who has some involvement,
- 2 quote, unquote, with the nuclear industry. We know what
- 3 that is. It is on the record. You can continue to
- 4 explore that on the record. I think it is absolutely
- 5 appropriate for LILCO as a cross examiner to probe the
- 6 particulars of that involvement vis-a-vis what Mr.
- 7 Hubbard is now saying in this testimony on this issue.
- 8 And I recognize what you are asking about is
- g certainly pertinent to that, but I don't want to hear
- 10 about everything he has ever done or not done in nuclear
- 11 power throughout his professional lifetime just for that
- 12 purpose. You can focus much more sharply on that, and
- 13 in addition to these questions in the nature of voir
- 14 dire, which importance I'm not dismissing. There is
- 15 also going to be the equally important area of our
- 16 assessing what Mr. Hubbard is saying from the substance
- 17 of his testimony, both oral and written, and that, too,
- in will have a lot to do with the weight which we ascribe
- it; that is, the extent to which is conclusions are
- 20 supported by rational bases.
- 21 And we can and will do that also with Mr.
- 22 Hubbard as well as each and every other witness. So I
- 23 hope we don't spend two days talking about a lot of
- 24 studies he may have done and then suddenly get squeezed
- 25 when we are getting to questions about the bases and the

- 1 substance of what it is he has to say and what he has
- 2 said in testimony. So I'm talking about that balance.
- 3 MR. ELLIS: Yes, sir. I will keep that in
- 4 mind.
- 5 JUDGE BRENNER: Do you want to re-ask the last
- 6 question?
- 7 MR. ELLIS: Can I have it read back?
- 8 (The Reporter read the record as requested.)
- 9 WITNESS HUBBARD: I guess the key words are
- 10 "adequately understood and implemented." We did
- 11 interview some of the people to get their understanding
- 12 of the QA program and its requirements in terms of
- 13 implementation. We did review the IEE reports that had
- 14 given an independent assessment of how well the program
- 15 had been implemented, but we did not, as I said before,
- 16 do independent tests ourselves to verify implementation,
- 17 or we didn't -- we did, as I recall, look at like a
- 18 quality record center to just see their procedures for
- 19 how records came in and how they were filed and things
- 20 of that sort.
- 21 So it's very difficult. The word "implement"
- 22 is really difficult to say. I mean we looked at what we
- 23 thought was enough to give us an indication of what
- 24 needed to be assessed further, if anything, in their
- 25 program.

- 1 BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 2 I think you indicated you interviewed some of
- 3 the people to get some understanding of whether they
- 4 understood the procedures, and you found that was
- 5 adequate to tell you whether they understood the
- 6 procedures, and the procedures were of a sufficient
- 7 level of detail, is that right?
- 8 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) No, Mr. Ellis. The first
- 9 part of your question the answer was yes. We did
- 10 interview some people to see if they understood the
- 11 program. And then the second part is we looked at the
- 12 procedures to see what level of detail was there.
- 13 Q Is that the end of your answer?
- 14 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes, sir.
- 15 O Did you conclude that there was an adequate
- 16 level of detail in those procedures?
- A (WITNESS HUBBARD) To be honest, I can't
- 18 recall.
- 19 And as far as the implementation, the other
- 20 aspect of implementation that you referred to, you said
- 21 that you referred to an IEE report to give you some
- 22 sense of whether the program was being adequately
- 23 implemented, and in your view an IEE report is a basis
- 24 for doing that, I take it.
- 25 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) First, I would like to

- 1 correct that. If I said "an I&E report," that is not
- 2 what I meant to say. I thought I said "I&E reports."
- 3 And part of that was at the insistence of the Governor's
- 4 committee. There had been allegations of one sort or
- 5 another about quality assurance, so they specifically
- 6 asked us to review some of the IEE reports and the
- 7 responses to the IEE reports. So part of it was done at
- 8 the direction of the committee, and part of it was we
- 9 did independently to get a broader assessment of what
- 10 had gone on in the area of implementation in the history
- 11 of the plant more or less.
- 12 And, yes, I do think that is a valid way to
- 13 get an outside assessment.
- 14 Q How many IEE reports, roughly, did you look
- 15 at, approximately?
- 16 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I can't recall the number,
- 17 Mr. Ellis. It would be more than 10 and fewer than 100.
- 18 Q And did you conclude on the basis of the I&E
- 19 reports that the program was being effectively
- 20 implemented at those two plants?
- 21 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I wish I had the report so
- 22 I could see what we did conclude. I don't recall that
- 23 we concluded either it was effectively being implemented
- 24 or it wasn't. I think we used that to conclude what
- 25 should be looked into in phase II, what should have the

- 1 priority, and that was the purpose for which we were
- 2 looking at them.
- I think we also answered some questions about
- 4 some allegations to stay that we didn't think that those
- 5 should be looked into any more, that they had been
- 8 locked into adequately.
- 7 (Counsel for LILCO conferring.)
- 8 Q Can you recall today whether operational QA
- 9 was one that had been looked into adequately or not?
- 10 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) What I was talking about in
- 11 terms, Mr. Ellis, of being looked into, there were
- 12 aspects of operational QA like certain things that had
- 13 occurred at the plant and allegations concerning those,
- 14 and as I recall, there was some pressure in this
- 15 particular area -- and I can't even recall what it is --
- 16 that ought to be looked into more. And our
- 17 recommendation was that it had been adequately addressed
- 18 already by the NRC.
- (Counsel for LILCO conferring.)
- 20 Mr. Hubbard, I think you said your experience
- 21 relating to OQA programs also extended to a DOE report.
- 22 What plants were involved in that report?
- 23 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) No specific plants, Mr.
- 24 Ellis. That was a general report we did for DOE in
- 25 terms of the research programs of where we thought

- 1 emphasis should be on safety improvement.
- 2 Well, that study or that review then did not
- 3 involve any review of any QA Manuals for the operating
- 4 phase or any QA procedures for the operating phase of a
- 5 nuclear power plant?
- 6 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) That is correct. It was
- 7 more general recommendations in the QA area.
- 8 Q Mr. Hubbard, you indicated you looked into
- 9 staffing. Have you ever made any formal study or
- 10 assessment of the manpower requirements for an operating
- 11 quality assurance organization or section for an
- 12 operating nuclear power plant?
- 13 A No, I have not. However, as my resume states,
- 14 I did have approximately 200 people working for me at
- 15 GE, and as part of that process I went through the
- 16 budgeting and planning, both yearly budgets and ten-year
- 17 forecasts of personnel, so I am familiar with doing that
- 18 particular task, and I did that in my previous job.
- 19 Q When you say you're familiar with doing that
- 20 kind of task, I take it that you mean the task in the
- 21 very generic sense about how one goes about projecting
- 22 how much time has been used in the past for certain
- 23 tasks and how much is going to be used in the future?
- 24 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Well, that is part of it.
- 25 You know, you start with a list of tas's you're going to

- 1 perform, like, for example, procurement quality
- 2 assurance. I had at GE 11 or 14 receiving inspectors
- 3 and three or four engineers who were on the road and in
- 4 vendor shops, and I would get from the procurement
- 5 people each year some sort of a number of how many
- 6 purchases were going to be made, what types and things
- 7 of that sort. And based upon that volume, and also we
- 8 had things at the way of productivity improvements and
- 9 so forth that we had to be making that we could then
- 10 come up with a total number to do a certain task. That
- 11 would be what I would call based upon previous
- 12 experience.
- 13 Then in other areas like at General Electric
- 14 we started doing system testing called the power
- 15 generation control complex. We at General Electric
- 16 prefabricated the entire control room and then my people
- 17 did the system test on that. So we removed work that
- 18 had been done in the field into the factory, and that
- 19 was part of when General Electric was going to
- 20 mini-computers and CRT displays and so forth. And we
- 21 felt that that couldn't be just shipped to the field in
- 22 pieces.
- 23 So there I had to estimate in advance how much
- 24 time it would take and how many people it would take.
- 25 And also as part of that I had to estimate how much

- 1 equipment would be taken, because as part of that at
- 2 General Electric and also in my resume we purchased
- 3 about \$1.2 million worth of test equipment, and I had to
- 4 go in front of the various levels of review, including
- 5 vice presidents and so forth, and describe both how long
- 6 this test would take, what sort of test it would be, and
- 7 then also what equipment was needed to do that.
- 8 And as part of this test we also had to build
- 9 a facility that cost about \$12 million, so I had to get
- 10 approval for that. And also as part of that we looked
- 11 into moving the whole operation to North Carolina from
- 12 San Jose. So I went through going to North Carolina and
- 13 interviewing craftsmen and things like that to see if we
- 14 could have the right labor force to do the job in North
- 15 Carolina.
- So I feel I have had experience in both
- 17 looking at the past to come up with some idea of
- 18 manpower and then also having an estimate to estimate
- 19 what manpower and equipment might be needed to do a QA
- 20 function.
- 21 Q Well, from your testimony I take it that you
- 22 agree -- well, strike that.
- 23 You indicated, Mr. Hubbard, that you need to
- 24 understand the tasks and duties, and you had that
- 25 understanding at GE because you worked there, and you

- 1 supervised these people on a daily basis, right?
- 2 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) That is correct, although
- 3 when I say supervise 200 people on a daily basis, I had
- 4 managers who reported to me, and they in turn had
- 5 managers who reported to them, so I was somewhat removed
- 8 from the day-to-day inspections.
- 7 And you relied on them as well, I suppose, for
- 8 some projections?
- 9 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) That is correct.
- 10 Q Well, have you ever made any study or
- 11 assessment of each of the tasks and duties of members of
- 12 an operating QA section of an operating nuclear power
- 13 plant?
- 14 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) No.
- 15 Q We may come to this later, Mr. Hubbard, but so
- 16 I don't forget it, you said you looked at the staffing
- 17 levels of Prairie Island and Monticello. Frairie
- 18 Island, how many units is that?
- 19 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) That is a dual unit.
- 20 0 How about Monticello?
- 21 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) That is a single unit BWR.
- JUDGE BRENNER: You realize that that last
- 23 one, although taking only a few seconds, was repetitious.
- MR. ELLIS: I do not realize that he testified
- 25 that it was a double unit. If he did, I'm sorry.

- JUDGE BRENNER: He did.
- 2 MR. ELLIS: I apologize.
- 3 JUDGE BRENNER: All right. Let's proceed.
- 4 MR. ELLIS: That wasn't the point anyway.
- 5 JUDGE BRENNER: Just ask the next question.
- 6 MR. ELLIS: That was just a predicate anyway.
- 7 BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 8 Q Mr. Hubbard, how many were on the CQA section
- 9 or organization at Monticello?
- 10 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I don't recall, but I
- 11 recall it was a small number.
- 12 Q You would agree with me, Mr. Hubbard, wouldn't
- 13 you, that the experience of working in and being part of
- 14 and managing an OQA section of a power plant is
- 15 important experience that should enable one to be able
- 16 to make assessments as to manpower levels?
- 17 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Could we get that broken up
- 18 into something smaller?
- 19 MR. LANPHER: I was going to object.
- 20 JUDGE BRENNER: Let me hear it again. I think
- 21 it is answerable.
- 22 MR. LANPHER: I just want to hear it. I think
- 23 there are two parts of it, though.
- JUDGE BRENNER: Mr. Hubbard, you let your
- 25 lawyer object and you testify.

- 1 Well, let's have it read again.
- 2 (The Reporter read the record as requested.)
- 3 JUDGE BRENNER: I think that is a perfectly
- 4 appropriate question.
- 5 WITNESS HUBBARD: The first part on
- 6 experience, I think that is valid, just like a lot of
- 7 other experience is valid. And then the second part is
- 8 whether it should enable one to make manpower
- 9 projections.
- 10 Again, I think yes, it should; and the problem
- 11 I have had is that I have been trying to find out some
- 12 level of work like number of POs or number of field
- 13 inspections or number of audits or number of
- 14 surveillances and things of that sort I'm used to
- 15 looking at when I do manpower projections.
- 16 And, frankly, in terms of LILCO's specific --
- 17 and Shoreham, I've yet to see that. I see either
- 18 allocations in one case, or I see answers in the other
- 19 case. And there are some rules of thumb that I am
- 20 familiar with about how many people it takes to do
- 21 various sorts of tasks. For example, my experience was
- 22 running a machine shop took fewer inspectors than an
- 23 electronics --
- JUDGE BRENNER: Mr. Hubbard, I'm going to
- 25 interrupt because I've discouraged counsel from talking

- 1 about this. You have to try to stay more concise and to
- 2 the question, and you've gone beyond it now. But as
- 3 long as I've jumped in, what is a PO?
- 4 WITNESS HUBBARD: A purchase order. Excuse me.
- 5 BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 6 Q I take it then, Mr. Hubbard, that you have not
- 7 made any assessment of whether the Shoreham OQA staffing
- 8 level of 14 for the first year of operation is adequate
- 9 or not.
- 10 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) It is correct that I have
- 11 not made a detailed assessment of that. As we discussed
- 12 in settlement discussions, I think 14 is in the right
- 13 ballpark for the first year. And I would have been
- 14 happy with that sort of a commitment beyond the first
- 15 year.
- 16 Q Mr. Hubbard, have you ever been qualified or
- 17 certified under any established industry standards to be
- 18 a quality assurance inspector in a nuclear power plant?
- 19 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) No.
- 20 Do you know whether such standards exist?
- 21 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes.
- 22 Q Have you ever been qualified or certified
- 23 under any established industry standard to do an audit
- 24 or to lead an audit in an operating quality assurance
- 25 program in a nuclear power station?

- 1 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) No, not an operating
- 2 plant. I have done audits at a manufacturing plant. I
- 3 was responsible for the entire audit program.
- 4 . Q Were you qualified or certified under any ANSI
- 5 standard? Certified?
- 6 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Well, the problem is I was
- 7 the one that did the certifying. I certified that my
- 8 people were competent to audit, so I was the one that
- 9 approved them.
- 10 Q But were you qualified or certified under the
- 11 industry standard?
- 12 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) As I recall, I was.
- 13 Q What industry standard?
- 14 Q Well, it would be the predecessor of N45.2.23
- 15 on qualification of audit personnel. As part of the
- 16 inspections the Nuclear Regulatory Commission did at
- 17 General Electric, we had to show that the people were
- 18 qualified to do the work they were doing, and we kept
- 19 lists at that time of training and qualifications of the
- 20 people, and I would certify, for example, nondestructive
- 21 examination personnel and our auditors and things like
- 22 that.
- 23 Q That qualification or certification that
- 24 you're referring to, is that for an operating nuclear
- 25 power station or was that for GE?

1 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Well, it was for GE, and 2 that N45.2.23 applies across a wide spectrum.

- 1 Q I take it you have never led or performed any
- 2 audits or inspections at an operating nuclear power
- 3 plant in accordance with N45.2.23?
- 4 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) That is correct.
- 5 Q Have you ever been involved in the site
- 6 construction of a nuclear power plant?
- 7 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes.
- 8 Q Would you tell me what your involvement was?
- 9 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Well, when I managed the
- 10 project engineers at G.E., the application engineers, as
- 11 I mentioned before, when I assigned Mr. Robare to the
- 12 Shoreham project I was responsible for working with
- 13 Stone & Webster and LILCO to provide the technical
- 14 information about the design of the electrical portion
- 15 of the G.E. systems for instrumentation and control,
- 16 including the process computer.
- 17 I also in that had the people who did the
- 18 application engineering on the balance of the plant
- 19 computed, the turbine startup systems, the turbine
- 20 control systems that were on the computer. We would do
- 21 the block diagramming and then turn that over to
- 22 programmers to do the programming, and in that then I
- 23 visited a number of sites when there were problems with
- 24 the process computer in terms of fuel calculations and
- 25 other matters and recording that was being done, so that

- 1 was an aspect that had to do with the design of the
- 2 plant.
- 3 Then later on when I became manager of quality
- 4 assurance, I visited a number of plants to see if the
- 5 G.E. equipment was properly installed and to answer
- 6 questions they had about complaints. Also -- well, it's
- 7 hard to summarize all of that experience, so I will
- 8 leave it at that point.
- 9 Q All right, let me be more specific. It's
- 10 true, isn't it, that you have never been involved in the
- 11 site construction, being at the site in the construction
- 12 of a nuclear power plant? Your involvement has been
- 13 from San Jose, is that correct?
- 14 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes, sir, but with the
- 15 caveats that I have been to the site. The design work
- 16 is not done at the site.
- 17 0 I will come to design shortly, but you
- 18 understood my question to refer to construction, didn't
- 19 You?
- 20 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I am defining it, yes, Mr.
- 21 Ellis, as construction in the narrowest sense. In a
- 22 broader sense, doing construction, you buy material, and
- 23 like you might buy an instrument from somebody. At
- 24 General Electric I had people who were responsible for
- 25 going out and doing the quality on instruments and

- 1 valves that were purchased, for example. So there were,
- 2 depending upon your definition of construction, if it is
- 3 the broader one about actually going ahead and buying
- 4 things and doing maintenance work and some of that, yes,
- 5 I have had people doing it but I have not worked at a
- 6 site.
- 7 Q You say you have had people doing it who
- 8 reported to you?
- 9 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes, sir.
- 10 Q And you haven't actually worked at the site?
- 11 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) That is correct in the
- 12 narrowest sense.
- 13 Q And in terms of the experience that you have
- 14 heard people like Mr. Museler and Mr. Arrington or Mr.
- 15 Gerecke have had, that isn't experience that you have
- 16 had, is it, relating to the construction of a nuclear
- 17 power plant?
- 18 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Well, I looked to see what
- 19 the requirements were for the LILCO QA manager because I
- 20 thought we might talk about this.
- 21 Q Well, can you answer my question first in
- 22 terms of experience rather than qualifications?
- MR. LANPHER: I object to him interrupting the
- 24 witness. He is attempting to answer.
- 25 JUDGE BRENNER: I agree. Let the witness

- 1 answer. When you ask a question like that which is so
- 2 broad in scope, he is entitled to start including things
- 3 in his answer like he started including. You asked him
- 4 to compare certain things and he is entitled to start
- 5 talking about the qualifications for the position.
- 6 MR. FLLIS: Judge Brenner, all I asked him was
- 7 whether he had that kind of experience. If he wants to
- 8 say yes or no and then explain it, that would be fine,
- 9 but I think I am entitled to an answer.
- 10 JUDGE BRENNER: I disagree with you in this
- 11 sense: "that kind of experience" with reference to three
- 12 people is awfully broad, and he started out by saying he
- 13 looked at the qualifications and experience. I don't
- 14 remember the exact words.
- 15 MR. ELLIS: I will withdraw the question.
- 16 MR. LANPHER: Judge Brenner, Mr. Hubbard was
- 17 in the middle of trying to make a point. I think he is
- 18 entitled to finish the answer if he wants to. I don't
- 19 know if he wants to or not. But you don't interrupt a
- 20 witness and then say I will withdraw the guestion.
- JUDGE BRENNER: The withdrawal was subsequent
- 22 to the acceptance, if you will.
- 23 MR. LANPHER: If he doesn't want to, I'm not
- 24 instructing him to.
- 25 JUDGE BRENNER: Fair enough, Mr. Lanpher. The

- 1 problem is you may have heard enough that you don't like
- 2 the answer. I'm not saying that is the case, but as a
- 3 general theoretical proposition, that is the harm in
- 4 allowing the withdrawal of a question after the answer
- 5 was begun.
- I am going to let you answer, Mr. Hubbard, but
- 7 I also implote you to try to stay on the point of the
- 8 questions, recognizing that different questions require
- 9 different ranges of the scope of the answers.
- 10 WITNESS HUBBARD: Well, I thought of Mr.
- 11 Gerecke first.
- 12 JUDGE BRENNER: Just answer the question. You
- 13 don't have to explain why you were answering the way you
- 14 were. Just go into your answer.
- 15 WITNESS HUBBARD: Well, I first thought, well.
- 16 Mr. Gerecke is the QA manager and so I went to a thought
- 17 in my own mind. Well, one is when I was at G.E. we
- 18 built things for we, General Electric -- built things
- 19 for the submarines, and so the QA program that I managed
- 20 at G.E. covered submarines or that area as well as --
- 21 JUDGE BRENNER: Mr. Hubbard, I hate to do the
- 22 kind of thing I told Mr. Ellis not to do, but you have
- 23 lost me now. And while you may have some connection in
- 24 your mind, let's stay focused.
- 25 WITNESS HUBBARD: Mr. Gerecke came from the

- 1 submarine program in the broadest possible sense.
- 2 JUDGE BRENNER: If you want to entice our
- 3 interest, and this is a practical suggestion, start out
- 4 with the context of what you have been asked about, that
- 5 is, at a nuclear power plant under construction, and
- 8 given that question, the qualifications of those three
- 7 individuals, and talk about their qualifications and
- 8 experience or lack thereof in that context. I am sure
- 9 you could make your point other than by starting out
- 10 with submarines, even though it is possible you might
- 11 end up there.
- MR. ELLIS: Judge --
- 13 JUDGE BRENNER: Wait. I don't want to
- 14 interrupt again.
- 15 WITNESS HUBBARD: Well, I am going to make it
- 16 basically short.
- 17 JUDGE BRENNER: Good.
- 18 WITNESS HUBBARD: I did look in Appendix B at
- g the LILCO QA manual, which is Attachment 4 to their
- 20 prefiled testimony, and it lists the qualifications and
- 21 experience level for QA people, including the QA
- 22 Department manager, and I am not going to read it
- 23 because it says what it says. But based upon what it
- 24 says, in my experience I would be fully qualified to be
- 25 the Quality Assurance Department manager for LILCO, and

- 1 we spent a lot of time here talking about QA experience
- 2 in Operations, and it doesn't jump out to me that that
- 3 was part of the requirements to be the LILCO QA
- 4 Department manager. It talks about technical and
- 5 administrative responsibilities, and I have had at
- 6 General Electric eleven years of management, of which
- 7 five of it was in Quality Assurance and about six of it
- 8 in Engineering, and I am a registered quality engineer
- 9 in the state of California, and I do have a bachelor's
- 10 degree in engineering.
- JUDGE BRENNER: You may have forgotten, and
- 12 with all of the interruptions it would be perfectly
- 13 understandable, that Mr. Ellis' question focused on the
- 14 experience and qualifications with respect to the
- 15 construction activities at the plant, as I recall. He
- 16 had asked you other questions about operating QA, and
- 17 you brought that in now; but if I recall correctly, what
- 18 about experience and qualifications with respect to the
- 19 construction of a nuclear power plant, yours relative to
- 20 those of the three individuals Mr. Ellis chose to
- 21 reference?
- 22 WITNESS HUBBARD: Judge Brenner, that is a
- 23 very difficult question to answer because when they
- 24 started --
- 25 JUDGE BRENNER: I didn't ask the question, so

- 1 don't blame me; but go ahead.
- 2 WITNESS HUBBARD: I have to put it into
- 3 context. The experience I have had at a construction
- 4 site is obvious on my resume. I mean we have been
- 5 seeming to be fencing about this. My experience has
- 8 been at a manufacturing plant where we do design and
- 7 manufacturing. I think we were doing the same
- 8 activities that are done at a construction site, in case
- 9 that hasn't been clear. I then looked at what LILCO
- 10 said were the requirements for a QA Department manager.
- 11 I would have met those requirements.
- 12 JUDGE BRENNER: Give me one second.
- 13 [Board conferring.]
- 14 JUDGE BRENNER: Mr. Ellis, if you are
- 15 interested in exploring what Mr. Hubbard's
- 16 qualifications and experience is with respect to the
- 17 many different aspects and attributes, if you will, that
- 18 have been inquired into so far in this long litigation
- 19 on these issues, you are going to be a lot more
- 20 productive and efficient if you take each of those
- 21 attributes and ask Mr. Hubbard what he knows about them
- 22 and explore how analogous what he has done with them in
- 23 his work for G.E. or elsewhere is to what is done at a
- 24 plant site like Shoreham as opposed to these things --
- 25 how long did you spend writing this report, have you had

- 1 any involvement with that.
- Ask him what he knows about calculations, ask
- 3 him what he knows about storage of equipment and
- 4 cleanliness, et cetera, application of heat, all of
- 5 those many things. If you want to try to draw the
- 6 inference that he doesn't know very much about them,
- 7 that is the way to get at it. And if he says, well, I
- 8 did that at G.E., then you can find out how close what
- 9 he did at G.E. is to what is done, what the differences
- 10 are, whether the differences matter and so on if that is
- 11 what you want to do.
- 12 MR. ELLIS: Judge Brenner, I will do that. I
- 13 do believe there has been some utility in what I have
- 14 done and in what has been heard, but I will do what you
- 15 suggest.
- 16 BY MR; ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 17 0 Mr. Hubbard, have you ever developed or
- 18 implemented an equipment storage program for the
- 19 construction phase of a nuclear power plant?
- 20 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) No.
- 21 0 Have you ever conducted, led or participated
- 22 in a formal audit of any aspect of the construction
- 23 phase, the site phase of a nuclear power plant?
- 24 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) No, with a caveat, again,
- 25 that that is just the construction part of the site

- 1 activities in the narrowest sense.
- 2 Have you ever developed or implemented a
- 3 document control program for the construction phase of a
- 4 nuclear power plant?
- 5 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) No, Mr. Ellis. I think I
- 6 need to add one thing, that, for example, back to your
- 7 question on storage, that is covered by N45.2.2, and
- 8 that same ANSI standard is the one that applies to
- 9 manufacturers. Likewise in auditing, the national
- 10 standards, the ones that set up the requirements, just
- 11 like Appendix B, those requirements are across the
- 12 board. They are not just construction or just operation.
- 13 Q Have you ever been or have you ever developed,
- 14 implemented or been responsible for implementing a
- 15 program in compliance with NRC Reg Guide 1.39 relating
- 16 to housekeeping during the construction phase of a
- 17 nuclear power plant?
- 18 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) No.
- 19 [Counsel for LILCO conferring.]
- 20 Q Have you ever developed or implemented
- 21 calculation control procedures in connection with the
- 22 design and construction of a nuclear power plant?
- 23 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes.
- 24 Q What system is that?
- 25 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) You said design and

- 1 construction, and at General Electric I was responsible
- 2 for developing the ASME QA program. That included
- 3 design for the codes and for pressure bearing materials,
- 4 and part of that was design control and part of that was
- 5 control of calculations, so was responsible for
- 6 setting some of the overall program parameters. The
- 7 engineering people then wrote some of their own
- 8 procedures, and engineering, much like Stone & Webster
- 9 engineering procedures, EP&P's at General Electric, and
- 10 those I reviewed to see that they were consistent with
- 11 the QA program requirements that I had outlined.
- 12 Likewise, in 1974, I believe it was, when the
- 13 NRC started their vendor audit program, the IEE people
- 14 from Region 4, the first vendor they came to visit was
- 15 General Electric, and so I participated there again
- 16 looking at the design and manufacturing QA program. So
- 17 in the calculation area in terms of design, I did have
- 18 responsibility for that.
- 19 Q Let me ask you, Mr. Hubbard, are you a member
- 20 of the American Society of Quality Control?
- 21 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) No, I am not.
- 22 Q Are you a member of the American Nuclear
- 23 Society?
- 24 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) No, I am not. My partner,
- 25 Mr. Bridenbaugh, is, however, so I get all of their

- 1 material.
- 2 Q Do you agree with Mr. Burns that the American
- 3 Society of Quality Control Engineers is a preeminent
- 4 society in the United States in applied statistics and
- 5 the QA area?
- 6 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) No.
- 7 Q Have you ever developed or implemented a
- 8 program for statistical assessment of the effectiveness
- 9 of a quality assurance program for the construction or
- 10 operational phase of a nuclear power plant?
- 11 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) No.
- (Counsel for LILCO conferring.)
- 13 Q Have you ever used or developed any
- 14 statistical methods to be used in selecting samples or
- 15 sample sizes to be included in design and construction
- 16 verification programs for nuclear power stations?
- 17 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes.
- 18 0 What statistical methods?
- 19 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Well, for example, I worked
- 20 to come up with a number in Settlement Agreement 31 that
- 21 you would look at 2400 attributes, and if 15 violations
- 22 Were found, that that was the cut-off criteria on
- 23 electrical separation. I have had familiarity with mil
- 24 standard 105(d) for a number of years because at receipt
- 25 inspection at General Electric we did sampling and so a

- 1 general familiarity with it in that sense. I have been
- 2 involved in it as part of the ongoing review of Diablo
- 3 Canyon because there there have been samples taken and
- 4 then based upon that there have been projections made
- 5 about the quality of Diablo Canyon, and I participated
- 6 in discussions with the NRC and the independent
- 7 reviewers on what the sample sizes should be and how
- 8 they should be selected to draw valid inferences.
- 9 There are some more, but those are some
- 10 examples.
- 11 Q Well, let me see if I have them all, and we
- 12 will come to this part later in the testimony, but you
- 13 have got Settlement Agreement 31. Is that in this case?
- 14 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes, sir.
- 15 Q And was a statistical method used there for
- 16 selecting a sample size?
- 17 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes. It was 15 out of
- 18 2400, which was a 99/99 criteria, and that was partially
- 19 based on I had done some work reviewing some work that
- 20 the NRC had done at the Marble Hill plant where they
- 21 found problems with concrete, and the NRC had said that
- 22 they should take enough samples of concrete to get 95/95
- 23 degree of assurance. And it looked to me like for
- 24 something like electrical separation you want something
- 25 higher than that, so rather than put 99/99 into the

- 1 agreement on SC 31, we went out and calculated the
- 2 numbers and then put the numbers in, and that is how we
- 3 got the 15 out of 2400.
- 4 Q And you mentioned mil standard 105(d), Diablo
- 8 Canyon, and what was the fourth one?
- 6 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Well, the fourth one would
- 7 have been Marble Hill. I looked at it to see if the
- 8 Commission had ever used statistical techniques when
- a they had to do what you might call an independent
- 10 review, and I found at Marble Hill they had used a 95/95
- 11 criteria.
- 12 Q And that was not adequate in your view, is
- 13 that right?
- 14 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) That was not adequate for
- 15 electrical separation. I also got involved in that. I
- 16 had done some work on the South Texas project where
- 17 people wanted to take audits to make an extrapolation
- 18 from a sample to the total population, and then I have
- 19 general statistical background from my MBA program.
- 20 Q Did that general statistical background from
- 21 the MBA program relate in any way to the use of sample
- 22 sizes for -- well, strike that question.
- 23 The MBA program didn't -- was that just a
- 24 general course in statistics? Is that what you are
- 25 referring to?

- 1 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I can't remember how many
- 2 courses I had in statistics, but I had a couple of them
- 3 as part of the MBA program, yes, sir.
- 4 O Okay. You have told me about Settlement
- 5 Agreement 31, mil standard 105(d), and you said Diablo
- 6 Canyon. Were you the one who developed or did you
- 7 participate in the development of the statistical
- 8 sampling methods used in the design and construction
- 9 verification programs for Diablo Canyon?
- 10 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I participated to the
- 11 extent that I made recommendations to the independent
- 12 auditors and to the NRC that statistical methods should
- 13 be used. In other words, the problem was the people
- 14 wanted to take a small sample and from that extrapolate
- 15 to the total population, and so I suggested and made a
- 16 number of recommendations upon how that should be done,
- 17 so that there was some validity and that you would have
- 18 a maximum confidence that the results you got were
- 19 indeed repeatable and valid.
- 20 Q Without going into detail, could you give a
- 21 name or a label to the statistical method that you
- 22 recommended be used?
- 23 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Well, first of all, the
- 24 threshold question was should statistics be used at all,
- 25 and there was one point of view that said they should

- 1 just take samples on a judgment basis, and based on
- 2 that, extrapolate to the whole population. So our first
- 3 recommendation was that statistical techniques were
- 4 valid and should be used so that when one got through.
- 5 one could say some degree of confidence.
- 6 I remember we had that -- well, so that was
- 7 the first recommendation, that statistical techniques be
- 8 used for sampling. And then secondly we did mention the
- 9 95/95 criterion. That seemed to us to be a minimum
- 10 threshold because this got into also what a valid sample
- 11 size would be like. I remember one example that they
- 12 were going to look at, like, ten valves and draw some
- 13 inference about that to the whole plant. We said, well,
- 14 if you are going to have any degree of confidence in
- 15 that, you need more than ten, and based upon some
- 16 statistical techniques we sail what the appropriate
- 17 sample sizes should be.
- 18 Q That is what I was after there. Can you tell
- 19 me what techniques?
- 20 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) This was just a simple
- 21 looking at a population, and based upon that population,
- 22 of taking the first sample, to then say what degree of
- 23 confidence you would have in that. This was basically
- 24 sampling.
- 25 [Discussion off the record.]

- JUDGE BRENNER: Mr. Ellis, are you just after
- 2 the name of that statistical sampling technique in Mr.
- 3 Hubbard's view?
- 4 MR. ELLIS: Yes. If I go into too much
- 5 detail, I don't think that would be --
- 6 JUDGE MORRIS: Let me interject. Mr. Hubbard,
- 7 isn't this a standard way of doing business that is
- 8 described in any textbook in statistics?
- 9 WITNESS HUBBARD: Yes. I wasn't trying to
- 10 imply we were using stratified sampling or anything like
- 11 that. That is why I was struggling with the words. This
- 12 was just the broadest possible, the minimum way of doing
- 13 it without getting into the complexity.
- 14 JUDGE MORRIS: It is a routing way of
- 15 calculating confidence limits, right?
- 16 WITNESS HUBBARD: Yes, sir.
- 17 BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 18 Q Mr. Hubbard, is there any judgment involved in
- 19 deciding that a threshold level of 95/95 that I think
- 20 you mentioned in connection with Diablo Canyon is
- 21 appropriate?
- 22 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes.
- 23 Q Mr. Hubbard, have you ever participated in
- 24 performing, checking, evaluating, or reviewing design
- 25 calculations for the construction of a nuclear power

1	plant?	
2	A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes.	
3	Q And on the basis of that do you know the	
4	number of even the order of magnitude of the number of	
5	design calculations involved in the design and	
6	construction of a nuclear power plant?	
7	A (WITNESS HUBBARD) No, but if you look at each	h
8	manufacturer and then the systems all the way rippling	
9	through, I mean it is a very large number.	
10	[Counsel for LILCO conferring.]	
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- 1 0 Mr. Hubbard, let me return for a moment to
- 2 some points that I meant to follow up that we were doing
- 3 before lunch.
- 4 You indicated prior to lunch that you had
- 5 concluded that there were deficiencies -- I think you
- 6 said more than five and fewer than, or just more than
- 7 five -- in the LILCO operating quality assurance
- 8 procedures.
- 9 MR. LANPHER: Excuse me. I object. I believe
- 10 that is a mischaracterization. I think he said in his
- 11 review of the manual.
- MR. ELLIS: Well, if I am incorrect, he can
- 13 correct me.
- 14 JUDGE BRENNER: My recollection in the series
- 15 of questions that he is following up on is that he had
- 16 both the manual and the procedures in some of the
- 17 questions and only the manual in other questions. So we
- 18 will know what it says after. I think they are both
- 19 there, but I just wanted to say that.
- 20 It may well be that the particular question to
- 21 which the "more than five" was the response did not
- 22 include both, but the series of lead-ups included both,
- 23 so I don't remember, and that is the reason I don't
- 24 remember. But we can let the witness straighten it out
- 25 here.

- MR. FLLIS: For the record, I thought it was
- 2 the procedures, but I could be mistaken.
- 3 JUDGE BRENNER: Well, which was it, Mr.
- 4 Hubbard? Do you remember, when you said "more than
- 5 five?"
- 6 WITNESS HUBBARD: I don't recall.
- JUDGE BRENNER: Okay. Do you want to go into
- 8 that area now?
- 9 MR. ELLIS: Yes, sir.
- JUDGE BRENNER: All right.
- 11 BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 12 Q Mr. Hubbard, I think you testified before
- 13 lunch that you had reviewed the procedures in about
- 14 April of this year and had concluded that there were
- 15 deficiencies. Is that correct?
- 16 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes, but I would have to
- 17 put it back into the context to be sure we are talking
- 18 about the same thing. It is set out in section VI.B.1
- 19 at page 68 of my testimony. I started out reading the
- 20 FSAR and found that there was a lack of detail there,
- 21 and then I went to the operational QA manual and I found
- 22 that there were two manuals.
- 23 And my view, as I state in the testimony, it
- 24 looked to me that there was going to be a third by the
- 25 time we got to hearings, which turned out to be true.

- 1 And so -- and then I went beyond that and I started to
- 2 look at some of the implementing procedures. Some of
- 3 them I had in April through discovery, and I locked at
- 4 those at that time in a general way to see if the
- 5 requisite detail was there.
- 6 And then some of them I didn't get until the
- 7 LILCO prefiled testimony was turned in in, I believe,
- 8 June. So it has been an evolving process.
- 9 Q Well, you did have some procedures, as you
- 10 have testified, in April and you did review them, as you
- 11 stated, and you did find some specific deficiencies,
- 12 didn't you, in April?
- 13 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes, and the example I used
- 14 was special processes. I thought I would take one and
- 15 just trace it through the three levels of documents. So
- 16 I started with the FSAR to see if it said who does what,
- 17 when and how, and it didn't say it. Then I went to the
- 18 manual and it didn't say it. And then I thought, well,
- 19 now I will go to the implementing procedure; and see if
- 20 it is described there, and I looked at all three and it
- 21 wasn't.
- 22 And I did that for a couple of the criteria.
- 23 Criteria 9 is the one I mention in my testimony.
- 24 Q All right. You have talked about what the
- 25 procedure or what process you followed, and you referred

- 1 to page, I think, 68. Can you show me anywhere on page
- 2 68 or following where you mention the procedure for
- 3 special processes?
- 4 (Pause.)
- It may be there, Mr. Hubbard. You referred to
- 6 68, but I don't see it, and you're going to have to find
- 7 it for me.
- 8 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I don't believe that I went
- 9 in and critiqued each of the -- well, critiqued that
- 10 particular procedure. I did it myself out of -- well,
- 11 part out of curiosity. I wanted to see what was really
- 12 the program because while I was testifying that the FSAR
- 13 didn't have an adequate description. I thought maybe I
- 14 would find an adequate description somewhere else, and
- 15 if I did, that was going to influence my opinion.
- 16 And then I tracked it through the three
- 17 levels. So the only level that is there, as I
- 18 mentioned, 17.2. of the FSAR. Then following that I
- 19 mention in the prefiled testimony that I did not review
- 20 the manual in depth because I thought the manual was
- 21 changing and I don't recall that I mentioned any of the
- 22 implementing procedures at all in the prefiled
- 23 testimony.
- 24 Q You said it would influence your opinion.
- 25 What did you mean by that?

- 1 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Well, I guess there is form
- 2 and there is substance, and I was concerned, first, from
- 3 a form standpoint, if there was enough information in
- 4 any one place to document how, and that is form.
- 5 And that then substantively I was more
- 6 concerned. I thought, if the substance were there but
- 7 maybe not quite where in my opinion it should be, then I
- 8 would be less concerned.
- 9 And so then I went to the implementing
- 10 procedures to see if in terms of substance it was really
- 11 there, and I found it wasn't. So I thought well, now I
- 12 have more reason to be concerned about the form, because
- 13 when I really go to prob the substance, it is not
- 14 there.
- 15 Q And I take it special processes was one you
- 16 considered very important?
- 17 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I think it is
- 18 extraordinarily important because people in the field
- 19 are going to be replacing things and manufactured
- 20 equipment, like doing resoldering or rewelding and
- 21 things of this sort, and I know in a manufacturing plant
- 22 there is a lot of workmanship standards and controls on
- 23 processes and I have had a lot of discussions with my
- 24 cohorts on the National Standards Committee of IEEE that
- 25 is writing the standard on replacement parts.

- And I knew that that was a problem that my
- 2 cohorts in the utilities had talked to me about, how
- 3 they really did a good job in that area. It was
- 4 something that concerned them.
- 5 Q So you went from the FSAR to the manual to the
- 6 procedure back in the time frame of April and found
- 7 several of them were deficienct, in your opinion,
- 8 specifically deficient. Isn't that right? And you
- 9 mentioned only one area in your testimony, without even
- 10 mentioning the procedure. Is that correct?
- 11 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes, Mr. Ellis. You used
- 12 the word "only". I felt in terms of the time I had to
- 13 prepare this that I did the best I could. And
- 14 subsequent to filing the testimony, as I am sure you are
- 15 aware, I read a lot of those procedures in detail and we
- 16 have been talking about them for the last three months.
- 17 Q It is true, isn't it, Mr. Hubbard, that you
- 18 have never furnished LILCO with any list of what you
- 19 thought was wrong with the specific procedures?
- 20 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) We made -- that is not
- 21 correct, Mr. Ellis, in the broadest sense. We made an
- 22 offer to provide that list, if LILCO would be willing to
- 23 go to an outside third party and have them come in and
- 24 review the operating QA program. And my personal
- 25 opinion was that I could not see the value of giving you

- 1 the complete list prior to cross examining you. It
- 2 would just be a pattern right through what we were going
- 3 to ask questions on.
- 4 But we find express, and I personally
- 5 expressed, a willingness to provide those comments if
- 6 you were willing to have an outside third party do the
- 7 review.
- 8 (Counsel for LILCO conferring.)
- 9 Mr. Hubbard, the other loose end I wanted to
- 10 pick up related to the review of other OOA manuals and
- 11 procedures. You have mentioned the work that you and
- 12 you company did in connection with the development of
- 13 study plans for the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency.
- 14 Other than that and what you have done in connection
- 15 with this litigation, have you reviewed the OQA manuals
- 16 and procedures for other nuclear power plants?
- 17 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes, to some degree. I
- 18 reviewed the ones of Houston Lighting and Power, as part
- 19 of the ongoing South Texas proceeding. I looked at some
- 20 of those.
- 21 And as part of the Diablo Canyon review for
- 22 the last year and a quarter I have looked at some of
- 23 their QA procedures.
- 24 Q Are you talking about operating QA or quality
- 25 assurance for the construction phase?

- 1 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) At South Texas, these were
- 2 operating QA procedures, and at Diablo Canyon, as I
- 3 recall, they were using some of the same procedures for
- 4 design and construction that they used for operation.
- 5 There wasn't this demarcation.
- 6 Diablo is a little different. PG&E is their
- 7 own architect-engineer and constructor, so they tend to
- 8 have more one system for the entire program.
- 9 Q Did you prepare any written assessment of the
- 10 operating QA programs or procedures or manuals in these
- 11 two instances?
- 12 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I think yes, in the
- 13 narrowest sense, that in Diablo Canyon there is a very,
- 14 well, 100-page affidavit or so that I prepared, I think
- 15 in the spring of this year, that goes into their
- 16 procedures, and some inadequacies in them.
- 17 And then on South Texas I wrote some prefiled
- 18 testimony on that and I know operating QA was a part of
- 19 it, but that never went to hearing and I can't even
- 20 recall what I said, to be honest.
- 21 Q But you actually discussed the procedures in
- 22 your testimony in those instances. Is that right?
- 23 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I cannot recall the
- 24 detail. My recollection is that was part of the
- 25 prefiled testimony. That wasn't the essence of it. The

- 1 essence of it, of the South Texas testimony, was that
- 2 Brown & Root should not be retained to do both the
- 3 construction and engineering. And subsequently the
- 4 utility agreed with me and so I never testified.
- 5 O Did you rely on either of those two documents
- 8 in connection with your testimony in this case?
- 7 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes. I relied on the
- 8 Diablo Canyon affidavit to some degree because one of
- 9 the questions at Diablo was when the various NPC QA
- 10 regulations came about, the things about importance to
- 11 OA, and when the various ANSI standards were issued, and
- 12 some of that.
- 13 That was work that I had background material
- 14 that I had originally developed for Diablo Canyon and
- 15 South Texas, and as part of that work I also looked at
- 16 some Appeal Board decisions and Licensing Board
- 17 decisions in the area of quality assurance to get some
- 18 idea of what the standards had been in the past for an
- 19 acceptable quality program.
- 20 So that is where, as I recall, I found the
- 21 Midland case, where there was the discussion that you
- 22 had -- the management attitude was really important and
- 23 you had to define the details. So I guess like
- 24 everybody else, every piece of testimony you do builds
- 25 on everything you have done before. That is surely the

- 1 case here.
- 2 Q Do you have a copy of those?
- 3 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) No, I don't.
- 4 JUDGE BRENNER: Of what?
- 5 MR. ELLIS: The Diablo Canyon affidavit and
- 6 his Houston testimony.
- 7 WITNESS HUBBARD: I don't have a copy with
- 8 me.
- 9 BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 10 Q Well, could we be furnished with copies?
- 11 JUDGE BRENNER: Why are you asking now for the
- 12 first time?
- 13 MR. ELLIS: Because I don't know. Maybe they
- 14 are on the list of publications and I missed it, but I
- 15 don't believe they are. And if they are cited in his
- 16 testimony, I missed it too.
- 17 JUDGE BRENNER: Are they cited in the
- 18 testimony, Mr. Hubbard?
- 19 (Pause.)
- JUDGE BRENNER: I didn't want you to go
- 21 through the testimony.
- 22 WITNESS HUBBARD: I don't think that either of
- 23 them are cited in the testimony. The South Texas one I
- 24 ion't have listed on my list of publications and
- 25 testimony because I never ended up presenting it.

- 1 JUDGE BRENNER: It was just a simple
- 2 question. You don't have to explain why or why not yet,
- 3 and maybe never.
- 4 Is there any problem in getting them copies,
- 5 Mr. Lanpher, promptly? Any legal problems?
- 6 MR. LANPHER: No. I've got no legal problem.
- 7 The South Texas one I personally don't have a copy of.
- 8 The Diablo Canyon one I guess we have got in the
- 9 office.
- JUDGE BRENNER: All right. Why don't you get
- 11 together and also maybe involve the Staff, if it was
- 12 actually filed in the docket, and just see if you can
- 13 get them? I think we have finished the subject.
- 14 Tomorrow morning let us know if there is a big problem
- 15 in getting them.
- 16 MR. LANPHER: I will let you know tomorrow
- 17 morning. I'm going to have a hard time getting him the
- 18 Diablo one by tomorrow.
- JUDGE BRENNER: Well, maybe the Staff can help
- 20 you out also.
- 21 MR. BORDENICK: I was going to say if they
- 22 Were in fact filed, if you would give me some kind of
- 23 identification I can make arrangements to get copies for
- 24 everyone, if they were in fact filed.
- 25 WITNESS HUBBARD: Both of them were in fact

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1 filed. In fact, I was deposed on South Texas.
             JUDGE BRENNER: This is getting out of control
 3 and it's only Thursday. I'm not interested in all the
 4 details. Just get them. In fact, we have a docket room
 5 downstairs, too, and the Appeal Board has a docket room,
 6 but I would rather the parties do it among themselves in
 7 the first instance, and I am sure you can all cooperate
 8 and perhaps save Mr. Lampher a trip to his office, if
9 you can find it somewhere in Bethesda, or save a
10 messenger a trip out.
             But I'm sure ingenuity will prevail and you
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12 can all figure out how to get copies from somewhere in
13 the fastest possible fashion.
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             Maybe we should take a break at this point, as
   long as we have interrupted. We will come back at 3:45.
             (A brief recess was taken.)
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- 1 JUDGE BRENNER: All right. We are ready to
- 2 continue.
- BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 4 Q Mr. Hubbard, Attachment 1 to your testimony,
- 5 your experience and qualifications, was that written by
- 6 you?
- 7 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes.
- 8 Q The reason I ask is it is in the third person,
- 9 and I just wanted to confirm that it was written by you.
- MR. LANPHER: You mean Attachment A?
- 11 WITNESS HUBBARD: It is Attachment 1 which is
- 12 Attachment A.
- MR. LANPHER: We have it both ways. I
- 14 apologize.
- JUDGE BRENNER: We will call it Attachment 1
- 16 to be consistent.
- 17 Off the record.
- 18 (Discussion off the record.)
- 19 JUDGE BRENNER: Back on the record.
- 20 BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 21 Q Mr. Hubbard, you would agree with me, wouldn't
- 22 you, that the statement that appears in the middle of
- 23 the first paragraph of Attachment 1 to your prefiled
- 24 testimony to the effect that you have 17 years of
- 25 experience in the design, manufacture, construction and

- 1 operation of nuclear generation facilities, that the
- 2 vast bulk of that 17 years has been in connection with
- 3 the design and manufacture and not the construction and
- 4 operation, isn't that right?
- 5 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes.
- 6 MR. ELLIS: Judge Brenner, I am now, as I
- 7 indicated at the outset, I am going to ask some
- 8 questions concerning the errata sheet so that I can
- 9 understand how that affects the subsequent examination;
- 10 and then I will go to another area of the cross plan.
- 11 JUDGE BRENNER: Judge Morris has some
- 12 questions in the area of qualifications, and maybe this
- 13 would be a good time to get those.
- 14 BOARD EXAMINATION
- 15 BY JUDGE MORRIS:
- 16 Q Mr. Hubbard, have you had an opportunity to
- 17 have discussions with LILCO management on quality
- 18 assurance?
- 19 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes.
- 20 Could you describe those, I mean in terms of
- 21 the persons with whom you've had discussions and what
- 22 the subjects were?
- 23 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) First of all, I had
- 24 discussions with Mr. Gerecke back in the 1977-78 time
- 25 period about some of the procedures. Prior to that when

- 1 I was at General Electric one of the utilities that
- 2 audited us was LILCO. We had about 71 addits per year,
- 3 so I had discussions with LILCO and Stone and Webster
- 4 personnel at that time.
- 5 More recently, starting in May, I met with Mr.
- 6 Pollock and Mr. Navarro. Mr. Navarro is assistant to
- 7 the Chairman of the Board, Mr. Pierce, and also Mr.
- 8 Museler, to try to work out a settlement on the design
- 9 and construction, because the County had long had an
- 10 interest in having an independent design review and
- 11 physical inspection.
- 12 And in addition to Mr. Navarro and Mr. Museler
- 13 and Mr. Pollock, we also met with the president of the
- 14 company, Mr. Ewell, and I can give my view of those
- 15 discussions.
- on the construction end of the review we had,
- 17 I think, minor differences or opinion of what should be
- 18 looked at. We had a large difference of opinion in the
- 19 design review area that LILCO had hired Teledyne to look
- 20 at one mechanical system, a piping system designed by
- 21 Stone and Webster. And the County's view was that an
- 22 electrical system should be looked at as well as an air
- 23 System, and that it would be good to look at a
- 24 GE-designed piping system as well as a Stone and
- 25 Webster-designed piping system.

- So we had -- we were not able to reach accord
- 2 in the area of the design review, so we had a number of
- 3 meetings on those particular subjects, likewise on
- 4 operating -- part of the settlement discussion also
- 5 included operating QA. And we had discussions at that
- 6 time to include operating QA in the larger settlement.
- 7 It wasn't possible as part of the larger one. We had
- 8 subsequent discussions that Mr. Dynner outlined to do
- 9 operating QA separate from design and construction.
- 10 Prior to that there was a settlement agreement
- 11 that was turned down by the county legislature last
- 12 December where we had outlined a design construction and
- 13 operational QA audit to the turn of \$150,000. And at
- 14 the time when we started on that back in April or so, I
- 15 thought that was a pretty good program because -- that
- 18 would have been the first of a kind because that was
- 17 really before some of the South Texas and Diablo Canyon
- 18 problems.
- 19 And it looked to me that that was a reasonable
- 20 way to go instead of doing what we are doing here,
- 21 litigating. And so I worked to develop that with Mr.
- 22 Minor and Mr. Goldsmith and the LILCO management and
- 23 recommended that to the legislature. That is what I got
- 24 a lot of questions on the statistical significance of
- 25 the small sample sizes we were looking at.

- 1 Q If I may interrupt, I would really just like a
- 2 brief synopsis of what you talked about with LILCO
- 3 management about specifically OQA, if you could limit it
- 4 to that.
- 5 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Well, on OQA we did discuss
- 6 our view on the reporting chain, the lack of
- 7 independence.
- 8 O The organization?
- 9 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) The organization. The
- 10 matter of the lack of detail in some of the procedures
- 11 and our desire for 40 years really of the number of
- 12 personnel, that a commitment for just the first year
- 13 didn't satisfy us. And we pretty much agreed to leave
- 14 important to safety out of the discussion, the
- 15 difference between that and safety-related. We felt
- 16 that that wasn't -- that there were four things we were
- 17 interested in, and we agreed to leave out the important
- 18 to safety from the discussions because it looked like we
- 19 were just pretty much in disagreement on that. But we
- 20 had some amount of discussions on the other three areas.
- 21 Q Are you familiar with Suffolk County Exhibit
- 22 88, the paper by Mr. Haas, published in Nuclear Safety?
- 23 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I am the one that found it
- 24 in reading Nuclear Safety, yes.
- 25 O And do you remember the statement he makes on

- 1 the first page in the second column -- if Mr. Langher
- 2 can find it in a hurry -- under the section labeled
- 3 "Management Attitude Toward Quality Assurance?"
- 4 MR. LANPHER: What page?
- 5 JUDGE MORRIS: The first page, the second
- 6 column, the first sentence in the section labeled
- 7 "Management Attitude Toward Quality Assurance."
- 8 WITNESS HUBBARD: Yes.
- 9 BY JUDGE MORRIS: (Resuming)
- 10 Q I will read it. "The attitude of the
- 11 licensee's management toward QA is of the utmost
- 12 importance to the success or failure of the QA program."
- Do you agree with that statement?
- 14 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I absolutely agree with
- 15 that. Mr. Lanpher and I have had some disagreements
- 16 about my testimony in that particular area.
- 17 Q I don't think I will consider that in making
- 18 any decision.
- 19 (Laughter.)
- 20 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I think that is
- 21 extraordinarily important. I remember in my days at GE
- 22 that one time the man I was working for said we've got
- 23 too many watchers and not enough doers, and in talking
- 24 about QA people as watchers. And that sort of an
- 25 attitude makes running quality assurance very

- 1 difficult. I worked for other managers at GE who had
- 2 absolutely the opposite view of that.
- 3 But in my personal experience in looking at a
- 4 number of utility programs in licensing hearings like
- 5 this is that if you have a man in the top who really
- 6 believes in that quality discipline that somehow you
- 7 will end up with a more reliable plant and that you will
- 8 have that discipline, and it really does start at the
- 9 top.
- 10 Well, based upon your discussions and exposure
- 11 and observations of LILCO management, how would you
- 12 assess their attitude towards quality assurance?
- 13 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) My view is that LILCO has
- 14 put quality assurance over to the side, and I will give
- 15 you the reasons why I say that. Some of it was evident
- 16 here during the discussions, that instead of the quality
- 17 assurance manager describing quality assurance we had
- 18 Mr. Museler, really the production manager, describing
- 19 it many times. That is one thing, with all due respect
- 20 to Mr. Gerecke, that I would have expected the quality
- 21 assurance manager to be leading the discussion here.
- 22 Secondly, there was a March meeting with
- 23 Harold Denton where LILCO came in to present their
- 24 quality assurance program and talk about the need for an
- 25 independent audit. Mr. Pollock and Mr. Museler made the

- 1 presentation. Mr. Gerecke didn't say anything other
- 2 than answer some questions. Mr. Kelly at the end did
- 3 some talking. And I thought that was really strange
- 4 that you wouldn't have the quality assurance department
- 5 giving the presentation about quality assurance.
- 6 Third, when you read the IEE reports, those
- 7 reports go to Mr. Pollock's and Mr. Museler's chain.
- 8 They don't go to the manager of engineering, which is
- 9 Dr. Cordero, who Mr. Gerecke reports to.
- 10 So it is clear in my mind that the emphasis in
- 11 LILCO is on the chain -- that is, the Museler-Pollock
- 12 chain -- and not the Gerecke-Cordero chain.
- 13 And so another reason why I would have some
- 14 concern is that I think QA is a discipline process, that
- 15 you have to be very disciplined in all of the details.
- 16 And I heard a lot of testimony that people would go
- 17 ahead and to something to develop a procedure later,
- is some things of that sort, rather than, you know, you do
- 19 the procedure first. If you don't have laid cut how you
- 20 do it, you don't do it until you get that defined.
- 21 So I really hesitate, and that is why I said
- 22 hr. Lanpher and I had a disagreement; that I have strong
- 23 feelings about their attitude, but it is very subjective.
- 24 0 Well, what about Mr. Ewell? Did you discuss
- 25 this with him?

- 1 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) No, I did not.
- 2 Have you discussed similar problems with other
- 3 utilities or managements of other utilities?
- 4 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes, in the sense that when
- 5 I was at General Electric I had like 71 utilities that
- 6 audited me, and I got an impression there of which
- 7 utilities I would say put JA on the front burner and
- 8 which felt that it was just a necessary evil paperwork.
- 9 You used the expression "utilities." What I'm
- 10 trying to focus on is the attitude of the top
- 11 management. Are you using those words synonymously or
- 12 just based upon the people you came in contact with?
- 13 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Well, for another example,
- 14 at GE we put on a quality seminar every year at
- 15 Silveroto or Napa or you know where I mean, Carmel,
- 16 where we would invite in the quality assurance
- 17 management from the utility, the top man, and we would
- 18 talk about the mutual problems in the industry, and I
- 19 got to meet the top man at a number of utilities.
- 20 Q These were top QA people?
- 21 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes. It was the equivalent
- 22 of Mr. Gerecke. It would be the vice president-QA or
- 23 whatever for a number of -- when I use "utilities" I
- 24 mean in the broadest sense -- power plant owners. It
- 25 might be TVA. And I got the impression that some of

- 1 them thought their quality was very important and put
- 2 some very aggressive people there, and others felt that
- 3 quality was a necessary evil, so that you would end up
- 4 with a man from engineering who might be two years from
- 5 retirement in charge of it. And by that I meant that
- 8 you could see like they were looking for a place in the
- 7 organization to find somebody and just put him there.
- 8 I had that same experience at GE when I took
- 9 over the quality operation there. One of the hardest
- 10 things I had to do was remove a lot of personnel.
- 11 Q If I may interrupt, if T understand you
- 12 correctly, you are inferring from your contacts with
- 13 these personnel, which I will label as being at the
- 14 manager of the QA level, that this reflects an attitude
- 15 of their superiors, including vice presidents and
- 16 presidents of utilities.
- 17 Is that a correct inference?
- 18 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes, Dr. Morris. What I'm
- 19 saying is the type of person you have as the quality
- 20 assurance manager reflects, I believe, the utility's --
- 21 the president of the company's attitude towards quality.
- 22 But have you had direct conversations with
- 23 presidents of utilities to discuss this subject?
- 24 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) No, I have not. That is my
- 25 view.

- 1 Q Thank you. I'm afraid this is a little aside
- 2 from qualification, but it was illuminating on the
- 3 subject, and I would have gotten to it sooner or later
- 4 anyway.
- 5 (Board conferring.)
- 6 CROSS EXAMINATION -- Continued
- 7 BY MP. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 8 Q Mr. Hubbard, you mentioned a meeting
- 9 concerning OQA where you said you discussed the
- 10 reporting chain. You said you were interested in a
- 11 40-year commitment for the number of personnel, and you
- 12 mentioned lack of detail and procedures.
- 13 Isn't it true that, as you have already
- 14 testified, that you have never indicated to LILCO which
- 15 procedures you thought should be improved and the manner
- 16 in which you thought they should be improved?
- 17 MR. LANPHER: I object. That was asked
- 18 earlier and answered.
- JUDGE BRENNER: Well, he's entitled to follow
- 20 up given the other answer of Mr. Hubbard. That is
- 21 exactly Mr. Ellis' point. The two statements apparently
- 22 are not fully consistent, and that is why he is going
- 23 back to probe it.
- 24 WITNESS HUBBARD: We did provide examples, Mr.
- 25 Ellis, of where the procedures were not specific enough;

- 1 but we did not go in and try to rewrite the procedures
- 2 for LILCO.
- 3 BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 4 O Aren't you talking about meetings, Mr.
- 6 Hubbard, that occurred after this litigation started?
- A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes.
- 7 Q And wasn't I present at those meetings?
- 8 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Not in all case.
- 9 Q Or Mr. Earley?
- 10 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) No.
- 11 0 Who was present at those meetings?
- 12 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) In some cases Mr. Reveley
- 13 was. In some cases there was no attorney there. I have
- 14 had meetings with Mr. Navarro and Mr. Museler when there
- 15 were no lawyers present.
- 16 JUDGE BRENNER: I won't ask you which meetings
- 17 you did better at. I don't know how to describe it. I
- 18 have the feeling this afternoon that we were getting odd
- 19 glimpses into the negotiating process, and I wasn't sure
- 20 then how we ended up with them except to some extent
- 21 that maybe the questions led that way and to some extent
- 22 maybe the answer chose to lead that way. And then we
- 23 started hearing about the attorney-client relations, and
- 24 now we're talking -- I don't know what we're going to do
- 25 with all of this.

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I will just leave it at that. I'm not cutting
2 anybody off. There are settlement negotiations and then
3 there is litigation.
            (Counsel for LILCO conferring.)
             BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
        Q Mr. Hubbard, isn't it true that IEE reports go
7 to the audited organizations?
       A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes, sir.
        Q All right. If the organization audited is
10 construction, it would go to construction, wouldn't it?
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  A (WITMESS HUBBARD) The audited organization is
12 LILCO, and so I would have expected that the IEE report
13 would go to the man that the QA manager reports to.
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- 1 Q Well, let's start with who sends it. IEE
- 2 sends it, ion't they?
- 3 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) That is correct.
- 4 O And they send it to the audited organization,
- 5 don't they?
- 6 A (WITNESS HUPBARD) Not necessarily the audited
- 7 organization.
- 8 Q Well, if they send it to construction, that is
- 9 IEE sending it and not LILCO, isn't that right?
- 10 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Well, I don't want to get
- 11 into an argument with you, Mr. Ellis. For example, at
- 12 General Electric, when we would get an IEE finding, it
- 13 would go to the man who was responsible for the
- 14 division, quality assurance, in general.
- 15 Q Do you know of your own personal knowledge,
- 16 Mr. Hubbard, that the IEE reports were not sent to Mr.
- 17 Gerecke, no matter who they were sent to initially by
- 18 IEE or Mr. Cordero?
- 19 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) All we have to do is look
- 20 at the distribution list. It went to Mr. Pollack and
- 21 there may have been a copy for Mr. Gerecke, but the
- 22 point was it didn't go to Dr. Cordero, who is the man
- 23 responsible for the quality assurance department.
- 24 Q But you are not saying that copies didn't go
- 25 to Mr. Cordero and Mr. Gerecke. You are just saying

- 1 that the addressee initially was Mr. Pollack. Is that
- 2 what you are saying?
- 3 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes, sir.
- 4 Q And you indicated that some individuals
- 5 thought quality was very important and some thought it
- 6 was a necessary evil in your contacts with Mr. Gerecke
- 7 or Mr. Novarro or Mr. Museler or anybody else at LILCO.
- 8 Is there anybody that's ever expressed to you the view
- 9 that quality is a necessary evil?
- 10 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Nobody at LILCO has called
- 11 it a necessary evil. However, I do have an impression
- 12 that I have gained about the management's attitude from
- 13 having talked to them, and my impression of the
- 14 management attitude of LILCO is that there is more
- 15 emphasis on the production chain than there is on the
- 16 quality chain. That is my subjective impression.
- 17 Q Mr. Hubbard, in your prefiled testimony you
- 18 note on page 52 that LILCO has spent over 2.4 million
- 19 manhours on QA/QC. Does that objective evidence reflect
- 20 to you lack of concern about QA/QC?
- 21 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) We are mixing apples and
- 22 oranges. We have been talking about management's
- 23 attitude and the 2.4 million is just a factual matter.
- 24 That is how much they have spent. Probably Diablo
- 25 Canyon spent 2.4 million also.

- 1 The real point of that was to compare how much
- 2 the NRC has spent in comparison to the 2.4 million.
- 3 (Counsel for LILCO conferring.)
- 4 Q Well, you indicated that the agreement that
- 5 was turned down by the legislature was the first of a
- 6 kind and unique. Wouldn't you say that LILCO's
- 7 willingness to agree to that indicated an interest in
- 8 quality?
- 9 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I think that is did show an
- 10 evidence that they were willing to discuss the
- 11 settlement outside the litigation process at that time,
- 12 and that they would be willing to so and \$150,000 to
- 13 demonstrate that.
- 14 MR. ELLIS: Judge Brenner, I am going to go on
- 15 to another area.
- 16 BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 17 Q Mr. Hubbard, look at -- I am referring now to
- 18 your errata sheet. You mention on IV, which is your
- 19 summary, although your summary is not in evidence there
- 20 is another place in your testimony where you do change,
- 21 make that same change. And I believe that is page 96,
- 22 line 20.
- The statement originally said that the IEE
- 24 program focuses only on those systems, structures and
- 25 components classified as safety-related. You have now

- 1 changed that to say that, second, the I&E program
- 2 focuses on those systems, structures, and components
- 3 classified as safety-related.
- 4 Is that because you have now learned that the
- 5 I&E's program focuses on more than the safety-related
- 6 set of structures, systems, and components?
- 7 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Again, I thought it was
- 8 right to change this because I didn't intend to have it
- 9 implied that all of the IEE effort went to
- 10 safety-related and none went anywhere else, and that was
- 11 really what the word "only" said. And so I wasn't very
- 12 artful in the way I crafted the wording, and so I felt
- 13 that it was appropriate to change it.
- 14 My feeling is that the focus is on
- 15 safety-related. Also, when I got the LILCO operational
- 16 QA program manual, while it did say safety-related
- 17 everywhere in the corporate policy, there is a statement
- 18 that there are going to be some appendices made for some
- 19 things that might arguably be important to safety, like
- 20 fire and security.
- 21 So it seemed to me that there had been some
- 22 movement in LILCO, that they had started to look at some
- 23 things beyond, in their QA program, some things beyond
- 24 safety-related.
- 25 (Pause.)

- 1 Q Are you done, Mr. Hubbard? I couldn't tell
- 2 whether you were done or not, Mr. Hubbard.
- 3 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I'm not sure whether I'm
- 4 done or not myself, Mr. Ellis. I am thinking.
- 5 I think I will leave the answer at this time.
- 6 If you want to go into more detail, we can go into the
- 7 QA manual and the statement of policy and the number of
- 8 times the word "safety-related" is used. There is, in
- 9 the manual, one reference to GDC-1 in an appendix.
- 10 Q Mr. Hubbard, are you finished?
- 11 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes, sir.
- 12 Q Mr. Hubbard, my question had to do with IEE,
- 13 not with the LILCO QA program or the LILCO CA manual and
- 14 you have changed it from "only" because, I think your
- 15 testimony is, you are now aware that IEE focuses on more
- 16 than just the safety-related.
- 17 When did you become aware of that?
- 18 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Well, let's go back to
- 19 which "only" are we talking about.
- 20 Q The only "only" I have talked about is in line
- 21 three of page four of IV, which I think is the same
- 22 "only" that I referred to before on 96.
- JUDGE BRENNER: Mr. Hubbard, it is the one
- 24 that you underlined in your testimony. Right, Mr.
- 25 Ellis?

- MR. ELLIS: That is exactly right, Judge
- 2 Brenner. It is the one on page 96 at the beginning of
- 3 the last paragraph.
- 4 WITNESS HUBBARD: On reflection, I decided
- 5 that that was too strong a statement and that while my
- 6 belief still is that it focuses in the main on
- 7 safety-related, I didn't want to exclude that it does
- 8 look at some things that are important to safety or even
- 9 what one might call not even important to safety.
- 10 BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 11 Q I understand that, Mr. Hubbard. My question
- 12 was: When did you become aware of the fact that the IEE
- 15 program focused not only on safety-related?
- 14 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I think I always was aware
- 15 of it and that is why I used the word "focuses", but
- 16 then, in reading this over in the time I have had
- 17 between when I filed this, I looked at it and I thought,
- 18 well, the key thing that I wanted to say was not do
- 19 exactly what we are doing now -- have a debate about the
- 20 word "only" or "all."
- 21 The key point I wanted to make was that I&E
- 22 focuses on safety-related structures, systems, and
- 23 components rather than having to have a discussion on
- 24 what the word "focuses" means.
- 25 Q Well, it's fair to say, isn't it, Mr. Hubbard,

- 1 that you have now gone through your testimony fairly
- 2 carefully to make changes of this sort? Isn't that
- 3 right?
- 4 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes, sir.
- 5 Q Why didn't you change the "only" that appears
- 6 in the first full paragraph on IV since you now indicate
- 7 that you were always aware that they didn't focus only
- 8 on that system and you didn't intend to say that? So
- 9 you said it and underscored it.
- 10 MR. LANPHER: Excuse me. Where are you? I
- 11 missed what you were referring to.
- 12 MR. ELLIS: I'm sorry. Line one, two, three,
- 13 four, five, six, seven, eight and nine on IV.
- 14 JUDGE BRENNER: It would be better for the
- 15 record if you count silently and only come out with the
- 16 nine at the end.
- 17 (Laughter.)
- 18 WITNESS HUBBARD: Mr. Ellis, I removed the
- 19 "only" up on line three, which talked about the I&E
- 20 program, but I had the same confusion maybe you are,
- 21 that when in an answer a couple of questions ago I had
- 22 also circled the "only" on the LILCO operational CA
- 23 program as one I considered changing because the LILCO
- 24 QA program now does have some appendices, plus the one
- 25 that is written, that does go to the on safety-related.

- So I changed the one up on line three. And I
- 2 thought about changing the one regarding LILCO.
- BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 4 Q You gave it pretty careful consideration and
- 5 decided not to change it on IV, isn't that right?
- 6 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I decided not to change it,
- 7 yes.
- 8 Q Well, then turn to page 97 at the top of the
- 9 page, and tell me why you changed that "only" there if
- 10 you decided to change it there in exactly the same
- 11 context, didn't you?
- 12 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) You are absolutely
- 13 correct. I did. And for exactly the reasons I had
- 14 given you in the manual that we did receive.
- 15 O So -- excuse me. I am sorry. So what you
- 16 said, then, about the "only" that appears in the first
- 17 full paragraph on IV in connection with the LILCO
- 18 operational QA program is not correct in terms of why
- 19 you didn't change it? That was just a quality assurance
- 20 type of mistake. Is that right?
- 21 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) It should be changed to
- 22 agree with what is on 97 in the conclusions.
- JUDGE BRENNER: Imagine the time we would be
- 24 spending on IV if it was in evidence.
- 25 MR. ELLIS: Well, it is in effect in evidence,

- 1 and we are going to cover it because it is in 96 and
- 2 97.
- 3 JUDGE BRENNER: Yes, I realize that, which is
- 4 why I only made the comment as opposed to having jumped
- 5 into all of the questions earlier. We don't pay a lot
- 6 of attention to that summary in terms of evidentiary
- 7 value. I don't know if it assists the parties to tell
- 8 you that or not. .-
- 9 MR. ELLIS: Yes, sir. I understood that.
- 10 Nonetheless, there were some changes there that were
- 11 also made in the testimony that I just need to explore
- 12 to understand where I stand.
- 13 BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 14 Q And I take it, Mr. Hubbard, that the change in
- 15 seven, line seven, on page IV, where you changed "never
- 16 even" -- where you have "has never even addressed",
- 17 changed that to "to & limited extent" is because you
- 18 want your testimony to reflect your knowledge that you
- 19 had all along that it does go beyond safety-related?
- 20 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I think that the way it is
- 21 changed is a more accurate reflection.
- 22 Q All right. Look now, if you would, please, I
- 23 think there is another matchup of VI, a change you made
- 24 at VI, and I believe you will find that you made the
- 25 same change on page 98 of your testimony.

- 1 Do you have that before you?
- 2 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes, sir.
- 3 O Now you have changed that, haven't you, to
- 4 reflect the accurate fact that LILCO personnel have had
- 5 direct experience in implementing a quality program at
- 6 an operating nuclear station?
- 7 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) That really isn't my
- 8 conclusion, but it seemed to me that after the testimony
- 9 was turned in we received the resumes of the LILCO
- 10 operational QA people and I had a chance to review
- 11 those, and, as I recall, the three people together had
- 12 something like 14 years QA experience or something, and
- 13 it seemed to me I would have, I think, preferred to have
- 14 a little bit more, in my judgment, because most of it
- 15 all seemed to be at Shoreham.
- But it seemed to me that the number of CA
- 17 people were more important than the experience they had,
- 18 and so -- and then when I looked at the testimony
- 19 itself, in the testimony I really addressed the number
- 20 more than the experience. And so to make it consistent
- 21 with the testimony that went before, I thought it was
- 22 more appropriate to change it to the number.
- 23 So, then, when you made your original
- 24 statement, you agree that you didn't have an adequate
- 25 factual basis for making it?

- 1 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) No. I just have more of a
- 2 factual basis now. In looking at it, I decided that
- 3 wasn't the key issue.
- 4 Q Well, you wouldn't have known what their
- 5 experience was without seeing their resumes, though,
- 6 would you?
- 7 A (WITNE_S HUBBARD) Well, I had met some of
- 8 them. I also had the utility audit, which talked about
- 9 the fact that LILCO was having trouble hiring
- 10 operational QA people because of the salary scales and
- 11 the difficulty, and I knew that there was still a lot of
- 12 contract personnel that were being used to supplement
- 13 the GQA department.
- 14 I had a residual concern about the experience
- 15 of the QA people, about how -- well, how they compared
- 16 with what I saw, some pretty aggressive people in the
- 17 construction side of it. And for all of those reasons,
- 18 in the original testimony I left it. I left in the
- 19 matter about experience.
- 20 But then on reflecting on it, I decided, after
- 21 looking at the resumes and looking at the 14 years or so
- 22 of experience, that while I continued to have some
- 23 concern about that, that I would focus on the inadequate
- 24 number rather than the experience.
- 25 Q And you thought the construction OA people

- 1 were certainly adequately experienced and aggressive?
- 2 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) No.
- 3 (Counsel for LILCO conferring.)
- 4 Q Well, when you were comparing the
- 5 aggressiveness a moment ago, to whom were you comparing
- 6 the QA and operating QA people?
- 7 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) The people I had met in the
- 8 construction department at LILCO -- the Muselers and
- 9 McCaffreys, and that chain of people.
- JUDGE BRENNER: How many of each do they
- 11 have?
- 12 (Laughter.)
- JUDGE BRENNER: You are using the plural name,
- 14 but only meant one with each name?
- 15 WITNESS HUBBARD: Yes.
- 16 BY MR. ELLIS: (Resuming)
- 17 Q You will agree that the Muselers and
- 18 McCaffreys, as you termed them, are adequately
- 19 aggressive and interested in quality at Shoreham?
- 20 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) No.
- 21 Q So your testimony is you don't think Mr.
- 22 Museler, then, is interested in quality?
- 23 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I have an extraordinarily
- 24 high regard for Mr. Museler. I think he is very
- 25 aggressive and runs a very tight ship. However, it

- 1 seems to me that he has more of a desire to get the job
- 2 done than to get the job done following the procedures
- 3 and things of that sort.
- 4 O Do you have any personal knowledge of Mr.
- 5 Museler ever performing a job without regard to
- 6 procedures?
- 7 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) No. However, I have a
- 8 number of audit findings where work as done absent
- 9 procedures, and we are talking again about a subjective
- 10 evaluation of one's attitude, and that is why when I
- 11 said before I had a difference of opinion with Mr.
- 12 Lanpher, that it really had to do with this whole matter
- 13 of management attitude. It is a very subjective thing,
- 14 and so I feel strongly about attitude, but I have to
- 15 agree that it is very subjective.
- 16 Q In making the change that you --

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- JUDGE BRENNER: You're going to have to tell
- 2 us someday what this disagreement is, if you keep
- 3 alluding to it, and I'm going to warn you of that
- 4 danger. The disagreement between you and Mr. Lanpher.
- 5 (Discussion off the record.)
- 6 JUDGE BRENNER: Let's go back on the record.
- 7 I want to keep the answers focused on the questions, and
- 8 if you seriously think you have an illustration that
- 9 will help us understand your view of LILCO's attitude
- 10 and your counsel has no objection, that's fine. But if
- 11 it really is kind of just a little folksy comment by you
- 12 as opposed to being pertinent, I would appreciate not
- 13 getting it on the record. And that is all.
- 14 It is the distinction between testimony and
- 15 conversation, which I'm sure we all might thoroughly
- 16 enjoy outside the record, and also, the efficiency of
- 17 time here. I'm becoming very concerned, based upon this
- 18 afternoon, that four days is going to be a wrong
- 19 estimate. And it has dawned me on me for the first time
- 20 that at this rate, we're still going to be doing QA in
- 21 January on areas other than the ones we know we're going
- 22 to have to come back to as a result of the staff's
- 23 review. And that is not a proposition that I am going
- 24 to take happily. If it happens, it happens. But it
- 25 certainly wasn't the expectation by the Board or by the

- 1 parties, for that matter, given the estimates.
- 2 So, let's try to stay with it a little better
- 3 than we have today. Okay, we will let you pick up the
- 4 questioning.
- BY MR. ELLIS (Resuming):
- 6 O Mr. Hubbard, another reason for the change
- 7 that we have been discussing that is on page 98, lines
- 8 19 and 20 is the fact that you have now learned that the
- 9 OQA Section has actually been implementing the program
- 10 for a number of years, isn't that right?
- 11 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I was aware before that
- 12 LILCO was implementing the operating QA program during
- 13 the startup and testing program, because I've always
- 14 been aware of that.
- (Counsel for LILCO conferring.)
- 16 Q Mr. Hubbard, there was an elimination on page
- 17 14 in the first line of text of the word "such." As
- 18 previously stated, "such" referred to an NRC review. Is
- 19 that no longer true?
- 20 MR. LANPHER: Excuse me, Judge Brenner, could
- 21 I please have the question read back?
- MR. ELLIS: Let me restate it to save time.
- JUDGE BRENNER: Okay.
- MR. LANPHER: Thank you.
- 25 BY MR. ELLIS (Resuming):

- 1 Q Mr. Hubbard, have you got that change in front
- 2 of you?
- 3 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes.
- 4 Q All right. Why did you make that change?
- 5 (Pause.)
- 6 While you are looking at that -- well, go
- 7 ahead if you can answer the question. Otherwise, I will
- 8 suggest something to you and see if that is correct.
- 9 Is this testimony taken from some other
- 10 document where the "such" made sense?
- 11 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I wouldn't be surprised. I
- 12 think that the "such" might have originally been in when
- 13 we were talking about an independent review, which is
- 14 laid out later in this testimony back in what section.
- 15 Q Well, whatever section it is. I understand
- 16 you.
- 17 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) It is Section 6. Excuse me,
- 18 Section 7.
- 19 Q Can you tell me whether this section that we
- 20 are talking about came from some other testimony or some
- 21 other document that you prepared?
- 22 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes. I believe this came
- 23 from an affidavit I wrote on Diablo Canyon where I was
- 24 getting into the same subject, the importance of OA/OC.
- 25 as I testified before. I tead some of the licensing

- 1 decisions as part of that particular work. I thought it
- 2 was equally relevant here.
- 3 Q You didn't cite it, though, did you?
- 4 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) No, because they are my own
- 5 words.
- 6 Q Mr. Hubbard, look at page 53. There on line
- 7 17 you changed the term "staff" to "NRR."
- 8 A (WITNESS HUBFARD) Yes.
- 9 O Is that because you now recognize that IEE --
- 10 or, in recognition of your earlier correction that I&E
- 11 does address other than safety-related?
- 12 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes. That is correct.
- (Counsel for LILCO conferring.)
- 14 Q I'm not sure that I understand. Maybe you can
- 15 help me with that sentence. Just for the future it
- 16 might shorten things. You agree, don't you, that the --
- 17 well, strike that.
- 18 The "staff" that appears four or five lines
- 19 below the "staff" that you changed, should that be
- 20 changed to "NRR"?
- 21 (Pause.)
- 22 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) That is a hard one to
- 23 answer, Mr. Ellis. With regard to -- because really,
- 24 the use four lines from the bottom has really two
- 25 things. One is to look at the QA requirements for such

- 1 a GDC-1 QA/QC compliance, and both for the NRR and IEE
- 2 program I didn't see that they had developed criteria
- 3 for reviewing GDC-1 QA compliance.
- 4 However, the IEE people do appear to look at
- 5 some aspects of the QA program which go beyond
- 6 safety-related.
- 7 0 Well, let me see if I can understand your
- 8 testimony. In the first part of the sentence when you
- 9 changed it from "staff" to "MRR", is it your testimony
- 10 now that NRR in no way at any time ever considers the
- 11 CA/QC applied to items not classified as safety-related?
- 124 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) My testimony is that the NRR
- 13 review of the QA/QC program addresses only
- 14 safety-related.
- (Counsel for LILCO conferring.)
- 16 Q Well, let me be specific to help. Doesn't the
- 17 NRB look at things like QA/QC for rad waste?
- 18 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Did you say NRR?
- 19 0 Yes.
- 20 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) You would have to ask Mr.
- 21 Gilray about that.
- 22 Q Well, I'm sure Mr. Gilray would know the
- 23 answer, but you made a statement here and I'm trying to
- 24 assess what your position is.
- 25 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) What I am referring to here

- 1 is that the NRR review is documented in the SER, and
- 2 that review talks about safety-related.
- 3 Q I see. Well apart from the review of this
- 4 document in the SER, do you have any personal knowledge
- 5 of whether the NRR review program includes any QA/QC --
- 6 reviewed any items not classified as safety-related?
- 7 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Well, I don't know for LILCO
- 8 and the Shoreham plant how they would have reviewed
- 9 anything other than safety-related because the QA Manual
- 10 only applies to safety-related. So my understanding
- 11 from discussions with Mr. Gilray is that he had reviewed
- 12 what is in the FSAR.
- Now, what is in the FSAR in Section 17.2
- 14 addresses only safety-related.
- 15 Q Well, Mr. Hubbard, you will agree with me,
- 16 won't you, that NRR reviews the QA/QC for such things as
- 17 rad waste, turbine bypass and other items that are not
- 18 classified as safety-related, if you know?
- 19 What I am addressing here in this part of the
- 20 testimony is the write-up of the NRR review that is in
- 21 17.2 of the SER, and that applies to only safety-related
- 22 items. There are some reg guides, for example, that
- 23 talk about, oh, some turbine valves, that it should meet
- 24 certain quality standards other than Appendix B.
- 25 But we are talking about the NRR review in

- 1 this particular section, and also tied to that is the
- 2 fact that the LILCO QA Manual, starting with the
- 3 statement of policy in the front, uses the words safty
- 4 related.
- 5 Q Well, Mr. Hubbard, would you agree with me
- 6 that the second line on page 53 of the first full
- 7 paragraph, the one which you changed, would be a more
- 8 accurate representation of your knowledge and your views
- 9 if it said "A further inadequacy of the QA Branch of NRR
- 10 review program is that it addresses only the CA/CC
- 11 applied to items classified as safety-related."
- 12 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I had a hard time listening
- 13 to that. Could you read that back, please?
- 14 Q Yes, sir, I will. I asked you whether you
- 15 would agree with me that it would be a more accurate
- 16 reflection of what you have now testified to to make a
- 17 further change to that sentence to say that, instead of
- 18 "NRR" it is the "QA Branch of NRR" that addresses only
- 19 the QA/QC applied to items classified as safety-related.
- 20 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I think it would be. I
- 21 think I will leave it to say the NRR, based upon what is
- 22 in 17.2. There may, somewhere in the SER, be another
- 23 write-up of QA programs other than in 17.2, and if so, I
- 24 am not aware of it.
- 25 Q Would it be correct, then, to say that your

- 1 knowledge of the NRR review is limited to the SER? And
- 2 to 17.2 of the SER?
- 3 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Not completely. I reviewed
- 4 the standard review plan where it talks about how the
- 5 review is conducted for both 17.1 and 17.2. I have had
- 6 discussions with Mr. Haass and Mr. Gilray about what it
- 7 is they review. I participated in matters of QA review
- 8 on plants such as Diablo Canyon, South Texas,
- 9 Commonwealth Edison, where I have heard the staff people
- 10 discuss what it is they review. And I have had the
- 11 experience at GE of the IEE people coming in to review
- 12 the GE program, and in all cases the review was based on
- 13 what in the Denton memo was called safety-related.
- 14 (Counsel for LILCO conferring.)
- 15 Q Well, I hadn't intended to get to this point,
- 18 but I take it that this -- maybe this will make the
- 17 Board happy. I will get to a point here.
- What you are saying reflects, does it not,
- 19 that NRR applies Appendix B only to safety-related?
- 20 That is how they construe it, isn't it?
- 21 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) NRR issued a draft reg guide
- 22 --
- 23 Q Could I have a yes or a no answer?
- 24 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I am going to go back and
- 25 say yes or no.

- JUDGE BRENNER: He means one or the other.
- 2 (Laughter.)
- 3 WITNESS HUBBARD: It appears that yes, that
- 4 the NRR review was only to safety-related. That is in
- 5 17.2. As we heard from Mr. Haass, in Section 3 of the
- 6 FSAR there is a commitment to a GDC-1 program on
- 7 important to safety where apparently, he had no criteria
- 8 to review that.
- Now, in my own personal experience I know that
- 10 this has been a debate within NRR dating back to at
- 11 least 1975, that the first draft of a QA standard on
- 12 items important to safety was issued in 1975 within NRR,
- 13 and there have been numerous irefts since then. So it
- 14 has been an item that has been under active discussion
- 15 within the staff for a very long period of time.
- 16 MR. ELLIS: May I have just the first word of
- 17 the answer? I wasn't clear whether I got a yes or a no.
- 18 JUDGE BRENNER: All right, you can ask the
- 19 witness. I think he said yes, but he didn't say yes.
- 20 What he followed with was not exactly the same terms as
- 21 your question, so the simple yes may or may not help you.
- MR. ELLIS: Let me ask the question again.
- 23 BY MR. ELLIS (Resuming):
- 24 Q Doesn't your testimony here reflect that NRR,
- 25 in practice, construes Appendix B to apply only to

- 1 safety-related?
- 2 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I think that is a question
- 3 more appropriate to ask NRR, but it appears that the
- 4 review in 17.2 has only been of safety-related. They
- 5 don't draw a conclusion there about items important to
- 6 safety, but not safety-related.
- 7 MR. ELLIS: Judge Brenner, I will return to
- 8 this subject, but let me go on and finish this.
- 9 BY MR. ELLIS (Resuming):
- 10 Q Mr. Hubbard, --
- JUDGE BRENNER: What is it you are finishing?
- 12 I'm not following where you are.
- 13 MR. ELLIS: The errata sheet.
- 14 JUDGE BRENNER: I didn't realize we were still
- 15 on the errata sheet.
- 16 MR. ELLIS: Yes, sir.
- 17 JUDGE BRENNER: We're going to adjourn any
- 18 minute now. Should we do it now or should we do it in a
- 19 few minutes?
- 20 MR. ELLIS: Could we do it in a few minutes?
- 21 JUDGE BRENNER: Yes.
- MR. ELLIS: Thank you.
- JUDGE BRENNER: At 5:00.
- 24 MR. ELLIS: Thank you.
- 25 BY MR. ELLIS (Resuming):

- 1 Q Look at page 64 of your testimony where you
- 2 have deleted "only" on line 23. There is other factual
- 3 evidence, is there not, in that context?
- 4 (Pause.)
- 5 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Yes.
- 6 Q Was this section of the testimony taken from
- 7 some other submission or document that you prepared, or
- 8 someone else prepared?
- 9 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) I really don't know. I
- 10 wrote up some justification in some discussions with
- 11 LILCO of why they should do this independent inspection,
- 12 and I also had been doing it for Diablo Canyon. And it
- 13 was a long time ago when these words were developed. So
- 14 to make a complete sentence, I am not aware that these
- 15 words were used before in exactly this way; however,
- 16 that is possible. I mean, this is a consistent view I
- 17 have had, that there should be some sort of an
- 18 independent review.
- 19 And I also testified in front of Congress last
- 20 November that that was the case; there should be an
- 21 independent review.
- 22 O Mr. Hubbard, on page 66 there's a sentence at
- 23 the bottom of the first paragraph that read, prior to
- 24 your correct, "Thus, the following testimony will
- 25 address activities that have not yet occurred, but for

- 1 which a QA/QC program will be required." And you have
- 2 changed the "that" to "most of which." Now, isn't that
- 3 inconsistent with your statement that you have known all
- 4 along that operating QA has been implemented for a
- 5 number of years at Shoreham?
- 6 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) Well, as it was being
- 7 implemented at Shoreham, it was largely with contract
- 8 people and Stone & Webster, and there were very few
- 9 LILCO OQA people that were involved in this.
- 10 But now, as we get into operations, Stone &
- 11 Webster is going to be leaving and it is going to be
- 12 left with mainly LILCO doing this, and again, this was,
- 13 -- I thought that there was a correction that would more
- 14 correctly reflect my view. So yes, LILCO has had some
- 15 involvement, though I would say the majority of it has
- 16 been with contract personnel. And that that is in a
- 17 position of changing as we go towards operation.
- 18 Q Weren't the contract personnel operating under
- 19 the LILCO OOA program?
- 20 A (WITNESS HUBBARD) That is hard to answer.
- 21 Stone & Webster has its own QA program also, and then as
- 22 we talk about the LILCO operation, QA/QC program, we see
- 23 that there were a couple and we now are down to the one
- 24 that was submitted with the testimony. And procedures
- 25 are still being developed. So I think the answer is I'm

1 sure part of it is yes and other parts no. (Counsel for LILCO conferring.) 3 MR. ELLIS: Judge Brenner, I have got one or 4 two more questions in this area but I think that given 5 the circumstances, it might be appropriate to break at 6 this point. And I will be able to give the Board, I 7 think, a more accurate estimate tomorrow of the 8 remainder. JUDGE BRENNER: Why don't you give us the 10 estimate nearer the end of the day tomorrow, and then it will be even more accurate. 12 As always when we have had no advance request 13 to the contrary, we will run from 9:00 until 1:00 tomorrow; that is, take two short breaks but no lunch break. And we will begin again at 9:00 o'clock tomorrow 15 16 morning. 17 (Whereupon, at 5:00 p.m., the hearing in the above-entitled matter was recessed, to reconvene at 9:00 a.m. the following day, Friday, December 3, 1982.) 19 20 21 22 23 24 25

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