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JUDGE KELLEY: Good morning. A couple of things before we get to the first witness.

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We had argument last evening on whether we ought to call either number 11 or number 12 on the list

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-- any reason not to use these names?

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MR. GUILD: Yes, sir. One is the source of

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an affidavit.

JUDGE KELLEY: Well then let's just use numbers. And we weren't clear, and I had just asked Mr. Guild off the record this morning whether he had a strong preference between the two in terms of priority and he said, no, he had a mild proference in favor of 12 first and then 11.

The Board thinks that if there is debate on whether these people ought to be called or not, it ought to be resolved in favor of allowing the to be called for such insight as they might have on the foreman override problem and not, of course, on matters previously litigated, subject, I think we all understand, to today's time limits and our fixed intention to finish the hearing along with some rebuttal time this evening from the Applicant. So that is to say it depends on the pace of today's proceeding, we may or may not get to these particular people. But if we do, they can be

called.

The other thing that we had pending was a motion to admit into evidence the depositions taken,

I guess, last week of two of the four Staff witnesses,

Mr. Uryc and Staff's consultant Mr. Czajkowski.

There were, we thought, some valid objections made at least to just admitting these depositions in their entirety; the two most important ones we thought being the fact that the depositions were taken under a stipulation whereby objections weren't stated and had opposing counsel known that this material might come in objections would have been stated; and the second objection being in our mind maybe the more significant, the fact that opposing counsel did not seek to elicit additional information that might have given further perspective from their standpoint, again not anticipating that the depositions would come in.

We view this as a judgment call by the Board, really a fairness question. We do think that fairness requires that we deny the motion and just let these depositions in at this point, both of the depositions, but we are going to take what we regard as a narrow, structured approach that will allow Palmetto, if they desire to get in some limited further pieces of testimony from the deposisions, while not at the same time opening

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a kind of floodgate effect that we think would be unfair. And this is our order:

If Palmetto wants to get in designation portions of these depositions -- let me name them once more, Uryc and Czajkowski -- they are to make the designations by page number and line number; e.g., page 28, lines three through ten, that kind of thing and in addition to the designation of the portion to give a brief statement, written statement, in support of why this ought to be brought in, what is the justification for it.

Beyond that, as I indicated, we see this as a sort of way to clean up small areas, not a way to bring in large chunks of what may be lengthy affidavits, so that we are limiting this relief to an aggregate of ten pages of deposition per witness, 20 pages all together.

By "aggregate," I mean a half a page and a half a page means one page, if you follow me. I think you do.

So these designations would, if Palmetto wants to make them, would have to be served by next Tuesday by an expedient method so that it is in the hands of at least Staff and Applicant by Wednesday, but serve it in writing, not just a phone call.

And then the Applicants and Staff in their findings -- and we will be setting a date for findings

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later today -- if they wish to object to the designation they may do so and if they don't they don't and the designation is simply a part of the record.

but those objections would be served along with the findings at the same time. You would have to assume then, gentlemen -- the opposing counsel would have to assume that we would let it in. You would be taking the risk that your objection might not be upheld, so I would consider that it might be and that is an extra burden on you and we recognize that but we feel that since it is limited to a rather small portion it is not an undue burden under the circumstances.

So that is our ruling on that point. Is that clear?

MR. GUILD: Could I just ask on the record if the Applicants would be kind enough to reproduce those depositions for us at our agreed-upon reimbursement rate so that we can make those designations, we will do so.

MR. CARR: Those are the affidavits of Uryc and Czajkowski?

MR. GUILD: Uryc and Czajkowski.

MR. CARR: Remind me.

MR. GUILD: Mr. Chairman, I have one other thing, if I may.

We wish to ask that Applicants make available

one other person from the list -- recognizing that we are going to be moving through people very quickly and some people we may spend some more time with; we understand our aggregate time limits -- but we would

like to add one other person to the list.

JUDGE KELLEY: Maybe on that point maybe I could just give an indication. We thought about it last night, Well should we state an hour, and we sort of thought Well we are just getting started in this process, we son't do that.

But we have thought about it somre more and we are not going to take a precise hour now but some time around suppertime your time for witness testimony will expire; and then we are going to have some time for rebuttal case which so far, as we understand it now, is one witness at this point --

MR. MC GARRY: At this point, that is correct.

JUDGE KELLEY: At this point. It could be more but right now it is one. So that sets the parameter. Okay?

MR. GUILD: All right. And "supper" meaning the midday meal or the evening meal?

JUDGE KELLEY: The evening meal.

MR. GUILD: We would ask that Applicants make available witness number 7 from the long list and they

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could have him --

ce-Federal Reporters, Inc.  JUDGE KELLEY: I think if there was no objection to that particular person, we could just put him -- he would be the last in priority.

MR. GUILD: Well sir, if they could have him available -- we may need to do some reshuffling as we go through the day, but I understand that basically as to folks who are likely to be at the appeal, they are asking them to come in. And if he could just stand by --

MR. JOHNSON: What was the number, please?
MR. GUILD: Number 7 from the long list.

JUDGE KELLEY: I think some shuffling just for convenience if nothing else may be in order but I thought we had last night at least an indication or a sort of rough order of priority, did we not?

MR. GUILD: Yes, we did. And we have tried -- we have done some more calls, we have done some more thinking and we are trying to do the best we can to shuffle them around.

JUDGE KELLEY: I am not raising any real question, I just want to get clear on your intention.

MR. GUILD: One other thing:

applicants distributed at 8;00-something-orother last night a 20-odd-page resume for a witness that
appears to be contemplated as the rebuttal witness for

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Dr. Michalowski's testimony with regard to -- who knows with regard to what because he hasn't said, but with regard to Dr. Michalowski's testimony.

And I gather that they contemplate presenting expert testimony from this gentleman, he doesn't seem to be someone who worked at the plant and he doesn't seem to be someone who was in Applicants' employ and was involved in the investigation since we have not seen his name before so I assume he is being contemplated as an expert -- expert testimony to in some way rebut Dr. Michalowski's methodological criticisms.

We think, without seeing anything from the gentleman by way of prefiled testimony or otherwise, we just think it is fundamentally unfair to be faced with the prospect of having to try this case given the parameters we understand of the case as comprising from day one with suddenly the task of preparing to rejoin and confront adverse expert evidence at this incredibly late hour without any opportunity for preparation. We don't have any prefile for him at this point.

We called Dr. Michalowski last night when we read the resume and said this obviously appears to be Applicants' intent and Dr. Michalowski said that he had a prior engagement this evening and he would not be

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available to even be present, although he was going to make a very strong effort to rearrange his schedule if the Board's contemplation was to hear such rebuttal testimony.

But it is surprise, it is unfair, it cannot give us a fair opportunity to rejoin that testimony, to confront it, regardless of its scope or detail.

And I would point out that as soon as we knew that Dr. Michalowski was going to appear for us we told Applicants and that was pursuant to the expedited schedule, we told them what he would be talking about and as soon as we had the document we had -- which I think tracked very closely what the gentleman had to say, though he expanded upon it; but it was an outline and it was presented as an outline -- and made that available to them on Monday. And if they contemplated rebuttal -- Also they didn't cross-examine Dr. Michalowski so they had an opportunity to confront his evidence, to raise criticisms that they had of his evidence by way of cross-examination which was a contemplative process, and now we are forced to respond to an unknown quantity and we just don't believe that fundamental fairness should permit such a process.

Now it is certainly Applicants' prerogative to present a rebuttal case, but that prerogative has to

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be accommodated in a context of fairness to one's adversary and that fairness requires some prior notice and some prior opportunity to prepare.

Applicants knew they were going to have to defend the methodology of their study, they knew that from the first day they received our pleading in this matter.

If they contemplated offering an expert on the subject, they should have identified him at the beginning and should have provided his expert testimony.

JUDGE KELLEY: So really we are arguing tonight's rebuttal or non-rebuttal --

MR. GUILD: I am just raising the point as early as I can.

JUDGE KELLEY: I think it is desirable that you do so and I appreciate it.

Mr. McGarry.

MR. MC GARRY: We didn't hear Dr. Michalowski's testimony until 3:00 yesterday and went until about 5:30, I don't think we could be expected to have any prefiled testimony on-hand by 8:00.

We are endeavoring to have some prefiled testimony to the Board and parties by noontime. That is our objective. If we can't do that we will have an outline similar to what Dr. Michalowski supplied.

JUDGE KELLEY: When did you first receive notice

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-- I guess Mr. Guild gave it -- that Dr. Michalowski was coming?

MR. MC GARRY: Last Friday afternoon at 5:00 he indicated Dr. Michalowski's name, and then of course I guess at about 5-, 6:00 Monday we got the outline.

JUDGE KELLEY: It seems to me that the best world that you could create would be to have Dr. Michalowski back to help you on cross.

Now could you tell me a little bit more about what his conflicts are?

MR. GUILD: I don't know, Judge, that would be one sort of -- one very, very threshold tool to be able to adequately join an expert rebuttal witness is to have your expert available. But that doesn't begin to cure the problem of trying to prepare for this gentleman, for an expert that we haven't seen and we have no prior notice of what the content of his testimony is.

As to his conflicts, Mr. Rutledge spoke with him last night and I'm not sure that we have any more information in specific about what it was, but he is interested in supporting his professional opinion on the subject and he wants to assist this Board but simply is confronted with the problem of being able to do that because of his commitment.

But I just think that professionally

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Dr. Michalowski would like to have the gentleman's opinion in advance to be able to consider.

JUDGE KELLEY: How about this? Suppose you do have prefiled -- or an outline for him and Dr. Michalowski turned to that this afternoon and be here this evening?

MR. GUILD: That is the problem, he has a prior conflict this evening. Dr. Michalowski is not in our employ, he is a volunteer witness. He took all of his time to review this material and come down here and prepare his testimony totally as a matter of his contribution to this process and his interest in the subject matter.

So we have imposed on him considerably already, I don't mind trying to impose on him again because I think it is important and worth the Board's time. I don't know how else to approach it though. We don't have him on a retainer and can't commit him for his time.

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JUDGE PURDOM: Mr. Guild, would it be helpful if, say, at 5:30 today we broke into whatever we were doing and had the witness in? Would this accommodate your expert's schedule a little better?

MR. GUILD: I think the point, Judge, is that he is not available this afternoon, this evening.

JUDGE PURDOM: He is just not available today.

MR. GUILD: As far as we know, as of last night, he said he had a conflict in the afternoon and the evening. He very much wants to be here, and he wants to assist, but I don't think it is a question of when this afternoon or when today it happens, it is a question of whether it happens today in terms of us being able to have Dr. Michalowski's assistance.

Judge, it obviously is better to have something to look at, and maybe it need not be debated at this time and it just seems to be that we should preserve a point for the record, and I find it troubling.

The Applicant could have at least told us they had somebody that they were contemplating calling as an expert, and it was in this area.

It is one thing to bring back another technical person if it is a technical piece that needs to be handled. We all know what the parameters of that are. It is another thing to have an expert witness who is, in effect, retained

to join testimony from our side.

JUDGE KELLEY: I am a little troubled, Mr. Guild, by the position we are in right now because we were told Dr. Michalowski has other commitments and plans.

We have no idea what they are, how important they are. I realize he doesn't work for you, and you can't order him to do anything, but the fact remains that Dr. Michalowski, and we appreciate his coming, decided he would involve himself in this proceeding. It is a very important matter.

Now, I used to be a Professor myself. I think if I were in this case, I would cancel my class and come to a hearing. I don't know what it is, a class or whatever it may be. If he is planning to go out of town, who knows; we don't know.

But we would have to have, in my mind, a pretty good reason to just say, well, Dr. Michalowski is too busy to come, so we will just have to not hear rebuttal on this point. I am going to have to have a better reason than that to take that position.

MR. GUILD: Mr. Chairman, frankly I don't know why the Interveners are being chastised in this regard. We were the ones who were only told at 8:30 last night that they even contemplated a rebuttal witness on this subject. They could have told us days ago if they knew

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Ace-Federal Reporters, Inc.  the man. He is obviously coming from Michigan; he is coming from some great distance.

They had to make some prior arrangements. There was no prior notice whatsoever.

JUDGE PURDOM: Mr. Guild, for the record, don't I recall the Applicant saying earlier in the week that they might have to have a rebuttal witness to your case?

MR. GUILD: He said the word, 'rebuttal,'

Judge. They said no more than the word, 'rebuttal.' That didn't fairly apprise us of any intent. I frankly think that with all due diligence, you can't put the blame on the Interveners for anticipating or failing to anticipate that Applicants were going to retain an expert witness to bring in on a very technical subject.

If they are going to bring one of their engineers back up to talk about arc strikes, that certainly is a different matter altogether. We are not talking about a technical issue, which involves construction at the Catawba plant. We are talking about expert opinion evidence, which obviously they sought out and retained somebody to present.

It is a matter of fundamental fairness. If the Board wants -- I think it is a critical issue. I am not saying the Board should not hear rebuttal testimony. It is Applicant's prerogative to do that. We are all operating

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under the constraints of this process to accomplish the task at hand. You have to do so consistently, providing fairness to both sides. And in this instance, it requires some opportunity --

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Guild, as far as I am concerned I can't take this point seriously until you can come back and tell me why Dr. Michalowski can't be here this afternoon or this evening. Maybe he has a very good reason. If so, then that is another thing. But if all I have now is the man is busy, that is not enough for me.

MR. GUILD: We are in touch with Dr. Michalowski and we will be in touch with him later this morning, but frankly I think that if it is Dr. Michalowski's availability that is dispositive, I would think the Board misses the fundamental unfairness of not having the prior notice or opportunity to prepare for the testimony.

His presence will be very useful to the Board and to the parties, but it should not be dispositive of the question of whether an expert rebuttal witness from the Applicants on this subject should be sprung at this time, without prefiled testimony in advance of more than the luncheon recess.

JUDGE KELLEY: Knowing what I know and the circumstances, certainly Dr. Michalowski can read the prefiled this afternoon and be here this evening, I don't

think it is unfair. That is my view.

Mr. Johnson?

MR. JOHNSON: Well, it seems to me if it is in the scope of the rebuttal witnesses, is in fact rebuttal of Mr. Michalowski's testimony, that it isn't unreasonable to have his testimony presented, given all of the circumstances that are present.

We have the fact that Mr. McGarry did inform us at some earlier point that he contemplated the possibility of rebuttal. They had their witness here I believe yesterday afternoon to listen to Dr. Michalowski. They determined that it was desirable to rebut his testimony. His testimony should be limited.

With their witness here, it seems to me that there is no unfairness. Dr. Michalowski did not have prefiled testimony either; he had an outline of what he was going to say, it is true, and it seems to me that this fundamental unfairness is pretty weakly regarded.

JUDGE KELLEY: Okay. I think we understand the objection, and I would like to hear, when you can find out what the situation is with Dr. Michalowski. For now, I think we can move on. Does that bring us to calling the next witness, Mr. Johnson?

MR. JOHNSON: I would like to raise one point about the deposition. The depositions of Mr. Czajkowski

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and Mr. Uryc.

JUDGE KELLEY: All right.

MR. JOHNSON: It seems to me that to adequately cure the harm that we sought to prevent by not having those documents admitted in whole or in part, would be to allow the Staff, having seen if Palmetto desires to put in ten pages from each deposition, allow the Staff to put some other parts, limited if the Board so wishes, that we feel would complete the facts, if necessary. If the facts were so selective that we felt that he evidence taken from the depositions were not irrelevant or was not a fair representation of the totality of the evidence from the deposition, so we would like the opportunity after seeing the pages that they may present to perhaps submit five rebuttal pages for each ten pages, or ten pages, or what have you, that they may present.

JUDGE KELLEY: I think we understand the point.

Any reaction to that Mr. Guild or Mr. McGarry?

MR. GUILD: I think that the -- we are operating on time restraints. If we had unlimited time, we would have more detailed examination of the witnesses, it would be longer, and you would have a fuller record, and a fuller record would be helpful and I think it is necessary. You have got the opportunity to have more facts, evidence, which is contained in these depositions. The point I offered was

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Ace-Federal Reporters, Inc.  that if you could take the depositions in whole, then they reflect fully the questions and fully the answers. It is not a question of being selective and thereby omitting answers that may provide a more complete reflection of the gentleman's position.

So, my preference was to put the entire document in because it reflected fully what they had to say.

Recognizing the opportunity of the other parties to state objections to portions of those documents, because they reserved those objections. So, I don't have any problem with the depositions being more complete by adding more pages. I just think ten pages is inadequate, and that is the Board's ruling, and we are forced to live with it.

It seems to me that there is no purpose in saying Mr. Johnson can add five more pages. If you are going to do that, you might as well allow the whole document in, and I suggest you let the whole document in, subject to objections.

JUDGE KELLEY: All right. Mr. McGarry?

MR. McGARRY: I guess we feel a little bit handcuffed here, Your Honor. We don't know what the ten pages are going to be. It could very well be that we would have asked follow up questions in that regard, so I think there should be some flexibility in terms of what the Applicant and the Staff's response would be in relationship to that. It may

have been if we asked questions, we might want to file an affidavit. It may be that we would look at alcouple of the pages of the deposition. I think thant might suffice.

I think if the Board just recognizes that we should be -- at least we should not be precluded from making an argument to you of why we should be able to take some further action at that time.

JUDGE KELLEY: Okay. We can speak to this point. We understand the arguments, and sometime today we will get back to it.

Now, are we ready for the next witness.

MR. McGARRY: He is on the long list, Witness No. 5 from the long list.

JUDGE PURDOM: Do we need to go in-camera.

JUDGE KELLEY: I guess so, yes. I will make this statement that we have to make here. I am going to try to keep it kind of simple.

Okay, we can bring him in.

(In-Camera session follows)

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JUDGE KELLEY: Okay. We can go on the record. Mr. Parker, right?

MR. PARKER: Yes, sir.

JUDGE KELLEY: Good morning, or good noon.

Would you raise your right hand, please?

(The witness is sworn by Judge Kelley.)

Whereupon,

### CHARLIE J. PARKER

is called as a witness by and on behalf of the Intervenor,
Palmetto Alliance, and having first been duly sworn, was
examined and testified as follows:

JUDGE KELLEY: We have just had some press people come in and go back out. And the first thing we determine here is, counsel has indicated to me that -- correct me if I'm wrong -- you would rather not have your picture on television but apart from that you don't mind if it's an open hearing --

WITNESS PARKER: That's right. I don't mind.

JUDGE KELLEY: -- and people would be walking in and out, and then there would be press here and they would get your name, but if it's no picture that would be --

WITNESS PARKER: That's fine. I don't want to be on television.

JUDGE KELLEY: And with that understanding, I believe counsel has talked to them; is that correct?

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WITNESS PARKER: I beg your pardon?

JUDGE KELLEY: I said the television camera people understand that, don't they?

MR. GUILD: They do, yes.

JUDGE KELLEY: Okay. We can reconfirm it when they come in, but why don't we go ahead and open the door and let them come in.

Mr. Guild here of Palmetto Alliance will be asking you some questions first and then we will just progress around the room with a series of questions.

You have given an affidavit before, isn't that right?

WITNESS PARKER: Yes, sir.

JUDGE KELLEY: You have been sworn, and the door being open I think we are ready to start.

Mr. Guild.

MR. MC GARRY: Your Honor, with respect to Mr. Parker, your ruling was a threshold showing. We maintain that his testimony in this related to Class G work. We should have that inquiry made first.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. McGarry was just reminding me, Mr. Parker, we have a list of people coming in today as witnesses, and you are one of them. It wasn't clear from your affidavit whether you had been working on safety-related work at the site. By safety-related, how would I

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JUDGE PURDOM: It would be material systems that had to meet NRC specifications because the safety of the plant operation depends on it.

JUDGE KELLEY: Class A, B or C pipe?

MR. GUILD: Only if it's pipe, Judge.

JUDGE KELLEY: Pardon?

MR. GUILD: Only if it's pipe. This would not apply to Mr. Parker.

JUDGE KELLEY: Would not apply to what?

MR. GUILD: Mr. Parker. Only if it's pipe.

JUDGE KELLEY: Maybe Mr. Parker could give us an indication of the kind of work he was doing out there.

WITNESS PARKER: The work that I talked about in the affidavits, part of it was done in the turbine building and as far as I know there wasn't but one system that I worked on that was nuclear safety-related.

But all the other work was non-safety and the concerns I raised in the affidavit.

JUDGE KELLEY: What was the one system that you are referring to?

WITNESS PARKER: If I'm not mistaken, it was WZ, ground water sump system. Some welding on stand pipes not complete in the weld.

JUDGE KELLEY: Was that in the turbine building,

#7-4-SueT too? WITNESS PARKER: No, sir. It was on the side, 2 the auxiliary building. 3 MR. GUILD: Mr. Chairman, may I inquire on this subject? 5 JUDGE KELLEY: Just a minute. 6 (The Board members are conferring.) 7 JUDGE KELLEY: Do I understand your concerns 8 related to the Class G pipe or to some other pipe or just 9 one system that you said was safety-related? Were any of 10 11 your concerns related to that system? 12 WITNESS PARKER: Yes, sir. JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Guild, did you have a point 13 you wanted to make? 14 MR. GUILD: Yes, sir. 15 DIRECT EXAMINATION 16 BY MR. GUILD: 17 INDEXXXX Mr. Parker, what craft are you in, sir? Q Instrument craft. 19 All right. And you have worked for whom sir? 20 Who was your foreman? 21 Since I been with Duke Power? 22 Well, how about -- who is the foreman you speak 23 24 of in your affidavit when you expressed your concern? Ace-Federal Reporters, Inc. A His name? 25

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	2	A	A. K. Dodd.
	3	0	Okay. Ken Dodd?
	4	A	Yes, sir.
	5	Q	Did your crew work in safety-related and non-
6 safety relate		safety rel	ated work at the plant?
	7	A	At the time I was working for them, we didn't
	8	work in	very little safety-related.
	9	Ω	Any safety-related?
	10	A	That ground water sump.
	11	Q	Okay. Any others that you can recall?
	12	A	Not at the time I worked for him, no.
•	13		JUDGE KELLEY: Are you working with him now?
	14		WITNESS PARKER: Yes, sir.
	15		JUDGE KELLEY: Are you working for Duke now?
	16		WITNESS PARKER: Yes, sir.
	17		WITNESS PARKER: This is at the time you worked
	18	for that pa	articular foreman you are talking about?
	19		WITNESS PARKER: Yes, sir. I don't work for him
	20	any more.	
	21		JUDGE KELLEY: Okay.
•	22		BY MR. GUILD: (Continuing)
	23	Q	And is Mr. Dodd that foreman, has he worked crews
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- Caerar Heporters,	25	you mention	ned?

#7-6-SueT 1 A Not when I worked for him. He is working on 2 safety-related systems now. He is in Unit 1. 3 Unit 1. And what is his crew doing there, if you know? 5 MR. MC GARRY: I am going to object right now. 6 I thought these were preliminary questions. 7 JUDGE KELLEY: They are, Mr. McGarry. We are trying to get a little more information. 8 9 MR. MC GARRY: Now we are getting into this 10 foreman in the Unit 1 building and Mr. Parker doesn't work 11 for this foreman now, so it's irrelevant. 12 JUDGE KELLEY: We understand that. And we aren't going to go on in this very long. We are just trying to 13 14 get a little more information before we decide whether to proceed. 16 MR. GUILD: If I may, Mr. Chairman. 17 BY MR. GUILD: (Continuing) 18 Mr. Dodd's crew is doing what kind of work now 19 in Unit 1, if you know? 20 They doing all the work that needs to be done 21 in Unit 1 as far as I know. They are the only crew over 22 there.

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A Yeah.

Q Okay. Now, is it true, Mr. Parker, that you have

Okay. And that's instrumentation work?

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concerns about Mr. Dodd's commitment to quality and that the way he drives his crews may sacrifice quality in the face of the desire to get the job done quick?

Is that a fair summation?

A That was one of my main concerns I raised. Yes.

MR. GUILD: All right, sir. Mr. Chairman, I could go further but I submit to you that Mr. Parker has particular experience, including experience in safety-related systems, that bear on Mr. Dodd's conduct and leadership and foreman override practices.

Some are directly within his knowledge. Some are by information and belief. And that Mr. Dodd, in fact, continues at the site in a supervisory capacity, supervising persons who are performing safety-related and non-safety related work.

Mr. Parker's documentation reflects an outstanding concern about the appropriateness of the Company's
response regarding Mr. Dodd. And I can provide you more
submission, either In-Camera, or show you documentation, but
the focus is on a foreman in non-welding craft who in our
judgment is responsible for foreman override and who inappropriately is allowed to work on safety-related systems
at the plant at this time.

JUDGE KELLEY: It would appear that we would at least be interested in the witness' concerns about the

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safety-related system. Do I hear you say that we are only concerned with Mr. Parker's work with Mr. Dodd?

MR. GUILD: That's the thrust of my --

JUDGE KELLEY: What area do you want to go into other than the work on a safety-related system Mr. Parker referred to?

MR. GUILD: The Company -- please bear with us,
Mr. Parker. The Company, in its tabulation of concerns, in
its August 3 report has a set of concerns which it
characterizes as other safety, Attachment B.

JUDGE KELLEY: Right.

MR. GUILD: And under Attachment B, there is

Roman VIII. It's called "Advanced Distribution of Tests."

JUDGE KELLEY: All right.

MR. GUILD: Advanced distribution of tests has to do with Mr. Dodd's practice of providing advance copies to his crew of expansion anchor certification tests. Okay.

JUDGE KELLEY: What has that got to do with foreman override?

MR. GUILD: What it has to do with foreman override, Mr. Chairman, is it has to do with a foreman who
shortcircuits the quality assurance requirements for training
and testing of his people to perform a safety-related function
in the facility, which is installation of anchor bolts.
All right, sir.

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Now, it's not the substance of the test issue that is important. What is important is the course of conduct of Mr. Dodd involving safety-related work. It's admitted by the Company to be a safety-related issue that they don't characterize as foreman override, which we believe is part of a set of facts, a set of circumstances, that goes to the appropriateness of the -- the appropriateness first of Mr. Dodd's conduct as representing foreman override outside of Arlon Moore's crew, outside of the welding craft, and the appropriateness of the Company's corrective action which is to allow Mr. Dodd to continue performing his function on safety-related work.

JUDGE KELLEY: Is there anything else that you wish to go over in addition to this testing matter?

MR. GUILD: As far as I know now, the testing matter -- the system that Mr. Parker identified, whether it was a weld concern, the process by which the Company interviewed, investigated and resolved those concerns of Mr. Parker and his general concern about Mr. Dodd's capability to effectively supervise safety-related work in the plant.

So, to the extent that it bears on specific pieces of work within the direct knowledge of Mr. Parker, all I know from what documents I have available to me, are those two subjects.

Now, I think Mr. Parker should be free to speak

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for himself. And I'm not trying to speak for him, because I can't. Those are two I know of.

JUDGE KELLEY: What we are trying to get a handle on how many topics you want to talk about, Mr. Parker. It's kind of clumsy but we will be done here in a few minutes.

Okay. Mr. Johnson?

MR. JOHNSON: Two things. First, with respect to the recirculation of a test, it seems to me that that has been an area which the Board has specifically excluded evidence on last Fall and it's not an appropriate area for examination even under the broader area which has been decided, much less on foreman override.

Secondly, if I may, I would like to ask Mr.

Parker a couple of questions with regard to his ground sump
water system to which he referred.

JUDGE KELLEY: All right.

#### CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. JOHNSON:

Q Are you aware of the fact that at the time you worked on this ground water sump system that it was not considered a safety-related system?

A Yes, sir.

Q That's correct. After you worked on the system, are you aware that system was reevaluated, torn out and then redone as a safety-related system?

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A It was changed to a safety-related system and then later it was torn out and redone.

MR. JOHNSON: Thank you. I think based on that we could consider that the work he was performing was not safety-related at the time he performed it.

JUDGE KELLEY: Maybe my colleagues understand. Are you clear on this?

MR. MC GARRY: Your Honor, that was the point I wanted to make with the one that Mr. Parker mentioned. It is now a safety-related system. When he worked on it, the concern he has regarding that system, it was non-safety.

JUDGE KELLEY: It was categorized as non-safety?

MR. MC GARRY: Non-safety. So, he was working on a non-safety system when this arose. It was subsequently changed. And I believe the write-up reflects the work had been -- the work that he had worked on has been taken out and upgraded to a safety season.

Is that right?

WITNESS PARKER: I'm sorry, I didn't hear you.

I can't hear out of this ear very good.

#### CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. MC GARRY:

Q I'm sorry. The -- it says in the affidavit that the WS system, but it should be WZ.

A WF, WZ, I can't remember, there's so many of them.

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And I don't remember exactly.

Q At the time you did the work it was a non-safety system?

- A That's right.
- Q Thereafter it became a safety --

A That's when I became concerned about it, when it changed to safety-related.

Q And they tore that work out?

A Later they tore it out and redone it, because the plates that were mounted on the side of the wall were not large enough to carry the safety-related part of it.

JUDGE KELLEY: Let the Board consider this a moment.

(The Board members are conferring.)

The Board's ruling is that we are going to excuse Mr. Parker. There has been no relationship between Mr. Parker's work and safety sytems. As just stated, the one system the one time he worked on it was not a safety system.

The distribution of tests is something we ruled out of this case a year ago when the case was much broader than it is now. It has nothing to do directly with foreman override, so we think it's beyond the scope of this hearing.

Mr. Parker --

MR. GUILD: Mr. Chairman, before you do that may I just show you some documents, please?

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JUDGE KELLEY: Just a minute. Do you want to reargue the point now?

MR. GUILD: No, sir. I want to emphasize to you that Mr. Parker has concerns this Board should consider, because they bear on Mr. Dodd's competence to perform safety-related work outside the welding area.

They are reflected in a document, sir, which I would like to hand to the Board reflecting the Company's resolution of his concerns. They certainly consider it an issue that bears on safety.

JUDGE KELLEY: I believe, Mr. Guild, a few minutes ago you stated the areas you wanted to discuss, one of which was the way in which his concerns were addressed.

MR. GUILD: Yes, sir.

JUDGE KELLEY: And we've heard that, Mr. Guild.

MR. GUILD: You didn't see the documents, Mr.

Chairman. I would like to show you the documents.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Guild, we are not going to argue this matter any further. It has been argued, the Board is ruling.

We are going to excuse this witness because he hasn't worked on safety systems.

MR. GUILD: Mr. Parker, I apologize to you very much for your time and for you having to be called under these circumstances. I'm sorry.

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JUDGE KELLEY: And the Board, I think we all are.

The problem, Mr. Parker, is the way the hearing was

structured in this particular case. We usually know more

in advance and we don't ourselves in the situation where we

call somebody in and we decide that we will excuse them.

And we do apologize. We regret it very much. You are excused.

(The witness was excused.)

MR. GUILD: Mr. Chairman, by way of an offer of proof, I would like to have three documents identified, please, to be included in the transcript. We think the Board is in serious error in this matter. If it's interested in a pattern of foreman override, it has to hear beyond Mr. Moore's crew.

And we submit Mr. Parker would have provided testimony with regard to the practices by one Ken Dodd who was among the thirteen individual supervisors who were counselled by Duke Power Company.

Mr. Parker refused to sign-off on his concerns, because he believed that the action against Mr. Dodd was inappropriate and ineffective to deal with the fact that Mr. Dodd continued to supervise safety-related work in the instrumentation area.

I have three documents I would like to have identified.

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JUDGE KELLEY: You may make an offer of proof, yes, and would you identify them for that purpose?

MR. GUILD: First, a memo, dated 9/11/84,
September 11, 1984, signed J. Lewis, reflecting Mr. Dodd's
August 8th, 1984 -- excuse me, reflecting an interview of
August 8th, 1984 with Mr. C. J. Parker by Joey Lewis and
Tom Robertson where they discussed seven concerns of his.

The appropriate point is: Parker replied that

Dodd should not be working any crew, especially in Unit 1,

that Dodd told the crew to violate procedure on numerous

occasions and that he, Parker, did not trust Dodd's abilities

as a supervisor. Parker continued by saying that even though

most of the work had been corrected, it was done wrong

initially because of Dodd. Parker said he was not satisfied

even though he knew that an investigation had been conducted

into his concerns. Lewis then told Parker that she would

set up an appointment with the NRC or that he could go

directly if he, Parker, had problems with the follow-up

information. Parker reiterated that Dodd would not be

trusted -- could not be trusted and that he would not sign
off because of that. Parker then began talking about Dodd

taking tools off the job --

JUDGE KEJLEY: Mr. Dodd, are you going to put in the whole document?

MR. GUILD: Yes, sir.

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JUDGE KELLEY: There is no need to read it. Car we just identify it and move on?

MR. GUILD: That's identified, Mr. Chairman.

And I submit that Mr. Parker asked to appear before this Board so that he could express that concern to you which I just summarized.

A document entitled "Item 26, Concern 15." It appears to be Pages 198. It has got the name W. N. Coble on it. C. J. Parker, Power House Mechanic Instrumentation has a concern about foreman giving a copy of the red head test to employees with the answers before the crew took the test.

That's the second document I would like to identify. Could we mark these in sequence as the next hearing exhibits as an offer of proof, please?

JUDGE KELLEY: I think that would be appropriate.

MR. GUILD: 148 for that first document, please.

149 for the second.

And third, Item 24, Concern 5, Coble document, Concern C. J. Parker, Power House Mechanic Instrumentation, had a concern about violating OA procedures in stand pipes on ground water sumps. And that's a document of four pages.

And that should be marked for identification as Hearing Exhibit 150 as an offer of proof, Mr. Chairman.

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JUDGE KELLEY: Fine.

(The documents referred to are marked as Intervenor Exhibits 148, 149 and 150 for identification.)

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MR. GUILD: The Board has previously received in evidence memos regarding and reflecting the counselling of Mr. Ken Dodd for his conduct in this incident.

JUDGE KELLEY: Okav.

MR. MC GARRY: Your Honor, the next witness isn't here yet so this may be an appropriate place to break.

JUDGE KELLEY: Is anybody other than -- how about the one after that? Is anybody else on tap?

MR. MC GARRY: I don't know. I'm sure they will be on tap.

JUDGE KELLEY: Have we got -- let me ask Mr. Guild, I've got 10, 1, 16, 11, 12. Is that what you've got? Have we changed the order?

MR. GUILD: I'm sorry. I missed the last point. Number 10 is not available, Judge, is that what I heard? JUDGE KELLEY: Would he be your next one? MR. GUILD: Yes, sir.

MR. MC GARRY: He will be here shortly. He is not here yet.

MR. GUILD: I go from Number 10 to Number 4,

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#7-18-SueT 1 but I'm not prepared to take them out of order. If Number 10 2 is going to be available shortly I would suggest we take 3 a short break and come back. MR. MC GARRY: Number 10 and then Number 1, 5 isn't that right? 6 MR. GUILD: Yes. 7 JUDGE KELLEY: And then 16? MR. GUILD: 10, 1 and then 16. Yes, sir. 8 9 JUDGE KELLEY: And they will be here or are 10 on their way? We have to take lunch sometimes. Do you 11 want to do it now, Mr. Guild? 12 MR. GUILD: Yes, we might as well. 13 JUDGE KELLEY: What, about 1:30? Shall we say 1:30? 14 15 MR. GUILD: Yes, sir. 16 JUDGE KELLEY: All right, 1:30. 17 (Whereupon, the hearing is recessed at 12:30 p.m., end #7 18 to reconvene at 1:35 p.m., this same day.) Mimie flws 19 20 21 22 23 24

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AFTERNOON SESSION

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JUDGE KELLEY: Let's go back on the record. There are two things. First, the procedural issue argued earlier.

We ruled that limited portions of the Uryc and Czajakowski Depositions could be introduced, and I won't restate that ruling because that ruling is in, it stands, we are not changing that. We are going to make a minor addition to it.

Mr. Johnson and Mr. McGarry sought an opportunity to present rebuttal material, perhaps by affidavits and some other form. But the idea was to bring in rebuttal material if they thought that was called for.

We are going to grant that they have a right to put in other parts of the deposition for the sake of context, up to an equal amount sought to be put in by Palmetto. But we are going to deny any right to put in additional material whether by affidavit or otherwise. Obviously, unless we have more pleadings, Palmetto has had no chance to object to that material.

There was at the deposition an opportunity to ask questions and get in other things. We realize that counsel may not have anticipated what was going to happen at this deposition, and we don't see this as a perfectly fair arrangement. But, we think it is fair enough, and that is

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the way we are going to strike it.

So, you can add for context is what it comes down to by bringing in other pieces of the deposition.

MR. JOHNSON: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

To clarify, however, we weren't seeking to put other rebuttal information, other than contents of the affidavit.

JUDGE KELLEY: Maybe I was lumping you with -Mr. McGarry spoke of maybe an affidavit.

MR. MC GARRY: I did, yes.

JUDGE KELLEY: All right. But in any event, that is the way we are going to rule.

You were just asking for contextual rights, is that what you might call it?

MR. JOHNSON: Or, if there was other information that would serve to complete the subject matter.

JUDGE KELLEY: All right, that is what I mean.

Now, on the separate issue of rebuttal asked by the Applicants: First of all, the Applicants spoke of having prepared testimony. Where does that stand, Mr. McGarry?

MR. MC GARRY: Almost ready.

JUDGE KELLEY: You expect to have it shortly?

MR. MC GARRY: Shortly. I would say within the

hour.

JUDGE KELLEY: You were going to see whether Dr. Michalowsi would be available?

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MR. GUILD: Yes, sir. We have communicated with Dr. Michalowski. He has a professional engagement this afternoon and this evening. He is under retainer to an official or candidate for public office and is performing services as an opinion researcher and has an obligation to perform those services this afternoon and this evening.

That is our information. He will not be available.

JUDGE KELLEY: Okay.

Well, under all the circumstances; we had an objection from Palmetto to allowing rebuttal, and we heard argument on it. And we think that under the circumstances, it is reasonable to allow rebuttal and we propose to do so.

Basically, we see the following points as important.

After all, rebuttal is only limited to direct. We are not going to go off on other points. He is only going to come in here and answer what Dr. Michalowski said.

As far as timing goes, the timeliness of the desire of Applicants to have rebuttal. They had an outline of testimony I believe on Monday, but they didn't really know what the substance was until yesterday afternoon when Dr. Michalowski testified. The bulk of his testimony was elicited on oral question and answer form.

Now, promptly after that they are stating their desire to rebut. This, it seems to us is the kind of testimony where the desire to rebut might reasonably be anticipated.

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It isn't bringing somebody else on foreman override. This is a narrow, specific, technical area in which we have heard from one side and not the other. And we think it is only fair to allow it.

Dr. Michalowski here to testify -- not testify -- if they had Dr. Michalowski here to help them out on cross examination.

That would be an advantage to them. It is regrettable that he is not available this afternoon to read testimony, or this evening. We don't think it is essential.

even a volunteer witness, decides to volunteer services and step into a case like this, he should be aware that he may be needed on another day. And this is the day when his presence might be useful, and he has got another commitment. We regret that, but we are going to go ahead.

MR. GUILD: We would ask an opportunity to present surrebuttal. We want to note our objection to not having the assistance of our expert in the untimely rebuttal testimony of Applicants.

We note that we still haven't received the promised prefiled testimony. Even if our expert was available, he couldn't review it.

JUDGE KELLEY: I am assuming it will be here shortly.

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MR. GUILD: It is now after the luncheon recess, the time is 1:45 and we are all engaged in active litigation and I am sure we will be through the rest of the day.

JUDGE KELLEY: Correct.

MR. GUILD: We would ask the opportunity to present surrebuttal to the anticipated testimony of the gentleman,

Dr. Hunter --

JUDGE KELLEY: Let me suggest this.

We ruled we are going to hear from Mr. McGarry's witness. Why don't -- it would be maybe more efficient to either make the argument after we have heard from him and you can do all your points at once.

MR. GUILD: Just so I am not faulted for lack of timeliness, as I suspect I might otherwise be, I wanted to note for the record that we have a desire to offer surrebuttal, and I want that position reflected.

JUDGE KELLEY: This is certainly timely in that regard. We can hear it more fully this evening.

MR. GUILD: That is fine, your Honor.

If I may, one other point. I had asked earlier that documents identified in the course of my examination of Applicant's panel which had been circulated to all the Parties and Members of the Board, that I be permitted to submit the record copy of those documents. I am talking about the documents that we identified during the course of

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They hadn't had numbers assigned to them. Before we adjourn, I will get numbers assigned to them. But they are all Applicant's discovery materials, and I believe Applicant's counsel was courteous and said they would have no problem with authenticity.

So, not having that difficulty, I would intend to offer those documents before we adjourn, and had sought formally permission to submit the record copy after we close the record, after we close the hearings.

I want that position reflected on the record.

MR. JOHNSON: On the same subject, during the luncheon break, I supplied Members of the Board and the reporter and the Parties, copies of Staff Exhibits 28, 29 and 30.

JUDGE KELLEY: Thank you.

MR. MC GARRY: Could I just pick up Mr. Guild's point. We can probably handle this all off the record, but we didn't oppose their being authentic, and I don't know if we would even oppose their admission into evidence. But, I would just like to know what they are, so that we can go over them.

JUDGE KELLEY: Why don't you talk it over when you get a chance?

MR. GUILD: We will do that, Judge.

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JUDGE KELLEY: The next in order is number 10.

MR. MC GARRY: I believe that is correct.

Number 10, yes, sir.

MR. GUILD: Yes, sir.

JUDGE KELLEY: Can I ask whether there is any counsel intelligence about desires of the witness for privacy?

Do you know one way or the other?

MR. GUILD: I don't know one way or the other.

MR. MC GARRY: I don't think he minds going public.

JUDGE KELLEY: Good afternoon, Mr. McCall.

Please take a seat.

I am Judge Kelley. I am Chairman of the NRC Licensing Board. Dr. Purdom on my right, Dr. Foster on my left.

As a sort of a first step in your appearance this afternoon, we would like to ask you -- I know when you were first talking to the Duke investigating people they gave you a promise of confidentiality. And now we are at a stage where we are holding what is normally a public hearing. We can keep it closed with the door closed and the press out, if that is your desire and if you have a good reason for wanting to do that.

We, frankly, would prefer having it open to the public.

We, first of all want to ask you if you have

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thought about that and whether you are willing to testify in public?

MR. MC CALL: That is fine with me. I don't care to have my picture taken.

JUDGE KELLEY: Fine. We have got another one or two witnesses who basically had the sare feeling. They are willing to testify in public, but they don't particularly want to be on TV. That has been something that we can arrange without any problem.

So, on that basis we can open the door. The TV people are sort of in and out; here sometimes and not others. If they come in we can make it clear to them that you don't want to be on television, at least your face, and they have been willing to go with that understanding.

(Doors to hearing room opened.)

Are you the only channel here, as far as you know?
TV CAMERAMAN: Yes.

JUDGE KELLEY: The present witness is willing to testify in public, but he does not want to have his face on television.

I think we have had a similar understanding with some other people. Do you understand that? Okay?

TV CAMERAMAN: Yes.

JUDGE KELLEY: Fine.

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## JAMES BOYD MC CALL

was called as a witness on behalf of the Intervenor, Palmetto Alliance, and having been first duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:

MR. GUILD: Mr. McCall, my name is Bob Guild. I am a lawyer with the Palmetto Alliance. I want to ask you some questions.

I gather that you know the company lawyers, Mr. McGarry and Mr. Hollins sitting next to him?

THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.

MR. GUILD: This is Mr. Johnson here with the NRC Staff, Mr. Brad Jones, also a lawyer with the NRC. Mr. Van Dorn.

Sitting with me is Mr. Rutledge with Carolina

Environmental Study Group; Michael Lowe, Palmetto Alliance;

and Sam Nunn, who used to work in Arlon Moore's crew in second shift for a while.

And, these are the Judges.

MR. MC GARRY: May I just add Mr. Wilson from the great State of South Carolina.

MR. GUILD: This is Rich Wilson, a lawyer with the State of South Carolina.

## DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. GUILD:

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questions about your knowledge of circumstances that were investigated by the NRC and Duke Power, involving instances where, because of production pressure, foremen took actions that resulted in bending or breaking quality assurance procedures at the site.

Now, what craft do you work in, Mr. McCall?

- A Presently I work in hangers.
- You are in hangers. Okay.
  Are you a powerhouse mechanic? Is that --

A That's part of it, yes. Hangers is part of powerhouse mechanics.

Q Hangers is part of the craft that includes powerhouse mechanics, or powerhouse mechanics includes hangers, right?

- A Right.
- Q Gotcha!

Now, for a time you worked on Jim Johnson's crew as a powerhouse mechanic?

- A Yes, sir.
- Q And what kind of work were you doing when you worked for Mr. Johnson?
  - A Pipework.
  - Q Were you doing safety work as well as nonsafety?
  - A Yes, sir.
  - Q And what parts of the plant were you working in?

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A Auxiliary building.

Q All right. Mr. Johnson has a crew of pipefitters, right?

A Yes, sir.

Q And he works for a general foreman. And, who is the general foreman Mr. Johnson works for, or did at the time you were on his crew?

A At the time I was on the crew, he worked for Henry Fllenberg and Jack Holland.

Q First Henry Ellenberg and then Jack Holland?

We are not real familiar with the powerhouse

mechanics craft. Over Mr. Holland or Mr. Ellenberg is who?

A It was Ken Webber.

Q Ken Webber. And is that who Mr. Holland worked for when he supervised Jim Johnson's crew?

A Yes, sir.

Q I wanted to ask you about some concerns that you expressed to the interviewers for Duke in the spring last year.

If I could ask somebody to hand this over to you, this is a copy of your affidavit. The only thing missing from it is your name. That is because they blanked it out when they made copies of it for the Parties in this case.

Where that blank is at the top left would be your name, Mr. McCall.

You talk about observing some situations where, in order to make a fit, a pipe had to be cold sprung to come into Cold spring of pipe. You observed some instances where a pipe has been cold sprung to make a fit? I wouldn't say observed. I was in on part of it. 24 That is what I am planning to talk about. 0 Ace-Federal Reporter 25 Now, you tell me, but my understanding from what

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little I know about it is, the understanding of the procedure in place was, that in order to make a fit of a pipe, you were allowed to use a come-along, or a change at to suspend the pipe, hold it up off the floor, move it in place, perhaps, but in order to make a fit you were supposed to use only moderate hand pressure to close a pipe with a flange or a piece of pipe with another piece of pipe.

Is that a correct understanding?

A Okay. According to the construction procedure 483, you can use come-alongs to put a piece of pipe into place.

Q That construction procedure requires you to do certain things if you are going to use any kind of pressure other than moderate hand pressure, right?

A Correct.

Q And that procedure that would you allow you to use other than moderate hand pressure, requires somebody to make a judgment that the pressure you put on that pipe is not going to do any harm to the fit. It is not going to put any undue stress in the piping system, right?

A Correct.

Q And as I understand it, that would require you to get somebody, a QC inspector, to check it. You would have to get paperwork issued for it, and you would have to have a dynamometer so you could measure, an instrument that would

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measure just how much pressure you are putting in that pipe to make the fit, correct?

A Correct.

Q So, while cold springing might be permissible if you get the proper signoff and basically tech support or engineering approval, and you use an instrument to measure the amount of spring, it is a violation of procedure to cold spring without following those procedures, right?

A Correct.

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- And you observed some cold springing that was performed without observing those procedures, right?
  - A. Well I had hands-on --
  - Q You had hands-on experience. Okay.

Tell me about it. Now look at this affidavit and maybe you can help me follow this to make sure I am talking about the same one.

I am looking at the -- just after the line that says "I am a powerhouse mechanic fitter on Jim Johnson's crew." It starts down and says:

"I made the fit on Weld 2RN-114/4 at 560 elevation in the auxiliary building.
Welded all the 12-inch carbon steel pipe riser to a 90-degree fitting."

All right. Explain that, would you, Mr. McCall? What happened exactly in that situation?

- A. When I made the fit -- first, I was given the paperwork to make the fit.
  - And who was along with you?
  - A. It was just me and a welder at that time.
  - Q Okay. And who was the welder, do you remember?
  - A. Brad Byers.
  - Q. Mr. Byers. Okay.
- A. Okay. I went around and looked at what I had to do, you know, as far as what it was going to take and

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So I went back to my foreman and said, you know, we need to look at this and discuss it and decide what to do.

- Q That is Mr. Johnson then?
- A. Right.
- Q All right.

How much mismatch was there?

- A. An inch and a half.
- Q This is a big piece of pipe, right, it is a 12-inch carbon pipe.

Is it a vertical or a horizontal fit?

- A. It's vertical.
- Q Okay. So that the piece that you were --
- A. The riser was vertical, it was --
- Q Why don't you describe it for me? I don't know what a riser is, so we understand it.
- A. That is just a piece of pipe that runs up and down.
  - Q Okay.
- A. The weld would actually have been horizontal, across.
- Q. Okay. And so there's two pieces of pipe and they are an inch, an inch and how much off?
  - A. An inch and a half.

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Okay. And did you try to use moderate hand 0. pressure to make the fit? Did you try to push it?

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And it didn't work.

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A. Okay. Mr. Johnson said for me to go ahead and pull it over. Okay. At that time I said I'm not so sure about this so I went down and checked with the inspectors. And the inspector, he went down and talked to his supervisor and come back to me and said Okay you can do it.

How did he want you to pull it over? You had already tried leaning on it, that didn't work --

- A. With the use of a come-along.
- Q. Was there a come-along already on the pipe when he came over and look at it?
  - No.
- So he wanted you to rig a come-along on it and cold spring it into place, right?
  - (Witness nodding affirmatively.)
  - And what was the come-along mounted to?
- The shell wall on the reactor building, the outside wall.
- Is there some kind of fitting or something that you attach the come-along to?
  - You use a welding lug.
  - A welding lug?
- Yes. You use red heads to attach it to the wall and hook the come-along to it.
- Is there a special -- you had to make a special mount to hook the come-along to?

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10	Q.	So you mount a bracket that you would fix the
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15	Q	Then you run the come-along horizontally to
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21	Q	Okay. And Mr. Kirkland went to his supervisor,
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was Bill Deaton. Bill Deaton. And did Mr. Deaton come down and look at the

pipe?

A. I don't think so.

Q You are not aware of it if he did.

A. No.

So Mr. Kirkland went off, check with his supervisor and came back and he said it was okay?

A. Yes.

Q So now who was there, you, Mr. Kirland, who else?

A. The welder.

Q The welder, Mr. Byers?

A. And the foreman.

Q And Mr. Johnson.

A. Right.

Q And then what happened?

A. We pulled it into place and made it fit. You know, we took and put the come-along on, pulled it over and left everything there until the weld was completed.

Q Now I want to read to you from an affidavit -- I can't use the name here now, but here is what it says:

"One time on 560 a fitter was cold springing a fit for me, five come-alongs and one chain fall were attached to either an 18- or a 24-inch carbon pipe to make the fit. The fitter was scared to get near

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it and so was I."

Does that sound familiar?

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This was around 1980 or '81. When was the one

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(Counsel conferring.)

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Was there more than one come-along used in this

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Q. Three chain falls.

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Just explain, if you would, so I can understand and maybe the record will reflect, what is the difference

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between a come-along and a chain fall?

A come-along works on the one chain system;

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Ace-Federal Reporters, Inc.  in other words, it just runs through the body of it and you pull it and it has got a ratchet action which actually pulls the chain through.

And a chain fall usually is used for lifting.

And it has got a ratchet action which actually pulls the chain through. And a chain fall usually is used for lifting. And you've got a long chain on it and then you've got another loop chain that works on the same principle but one is made for up and down and one is made for across.

- Does the instance that you are talking about now sound like a different instance from the one that I just told you about --
- A. You said something about five or six chain falls or come-alongs or something --
  - Q I think that's what it says.

It says five come-alongs and one chain fall.

It may have been one or two less than that.

Otherwise do you recognize -- is it another instance that you are aware of that is described in that other instance?

- A. No, I don't know of any instance like that, no.
- Q Is it a fair description that you and the welder were afraid to get near this one?
  - A. I wasn't really afraid to get near it. I mean,

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Q How much pressure do you think it required to make that fit?

I don't have any idea.

Do you have any idea what size -- reading from yours now, Mr. McCall, look down at the first affidavit there, it says:

"In order to make the fit, we had to use two or three 1-1/2 ton chain falls to pull the joint about one and a half inches." Okay?

That is correct.

Now the 1-1/2 ton, is that sort of an estimate of -- is that what the capacity of the chain falls are, is that how much pressure you think it took or what?

- No, that is the capacity of the chain fall.
- The capacity of the chain fall.

"We had to use a 1-ton come-along to pull the joint together."

So it was come-alongs and chain falls.

Why did Mr. Johnson have you do that, do you have any idea?

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do to make the fit with the alignment proper?

- A. You're talking about now or --
- Q No, at the time --
- A. After I talked to the inspector and all that,
  I thought that that was the way we were supposed to do it
  or able to do it.
- Q. What I mean to say is you explained that the procedure called for -- or allowed for doing that if you got somebody to come in and get the paperwork and test to make sure how much pressure was put using a dynamometer on it, right?
  - A. According to 483.
  - According to 483.

And was that the procedure in place at the time?

- A. No, the procedure that they were going by was M4.
- Q Okay. And what does M4 have to say about cold springing, anything?
- A. Itdon't really address cold springing as such, it says you can use jacks, jigs, fixtures and stuff to align a fit.
- Q. And does that have to do with suspending a pipe or does that have to do using more than moderate hand pressure to force a fix?

A. What, the jacks and jigs --

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Q The jacks and jigs are not designed to move

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something -- to force a fit, to cold spring a pipe, they are designed to hold it in place while you make a fit,

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A. Yes, to do the final adjustment on it.

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Q So what about the procedure that allows the

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Q But you do know that you didn't get any paperwork

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- A. Correct.
- Q -- to get it lined up properly.

And that would be the way that you would do it that would not put any stress on the line, correct?

- A. That's correct.
- And that would take time and require additional paperwork, additional process control, additional fitting, additional welding, correct?
  - A. Correct.
  - Q. Now you say that the A&I knew about it.

    How did you know that?
  - A. How did I know that?
  - Q. Yes.
- A. From what Mr. Byers had told me. He said that he had talked to the A&I inspector.
  - Q Was this an A&I hold point?
- A. No.
- Q. No.

Mr. Byers, how did he come to talk to the A&I man about it, did he say?

- A. He just caught him in the hall or --
- Q He asked him about it before he made the fit, is that what Byers told you?
- A. I wouldn't know if it was before we made the fit, during or right after. It was just some time in the same

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time frame.

Q All right.

And what did you understand from what Mr. Byers told you about the A&I man's opinion of the situation?

A. At the time I don't think the A&I inspector actually had a picture of the full load that was put on the line. He said out in the middle of the line like that we could move them without putting a whole lot of pressure on it.

As I say, I don't think he understands exactly what Mr. Byers was trying to get across.

Q You had to put a lot of pressure on this one?

A. Quite a bit of pressure on it, yes.

Q And as far as you know, the A&I man wasn't there and didn't observe the fit. He wasn't there to your knowledge, was he?

A. No.

MR. GUILD: Excuse me for a second, Mr. McCall, Mr. Chairman.

(Counsel conferring.)

BY MR. GUILD:

talked to him about this particular incident and I am looking at an interview with Mr. Johnson and in some notes of an interview it says:

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"When asked why the pipe was cold sprung for fit up, Johnson replied that he thought it was acceptable to do so. He felt that M4" -- QA P M4 -- "allowed him to do so. He stated that all parties involved were in agreement that this was an acceptable practice."

Did that include you, Mr. McCall?

- A. Could you repeat that, please?
- Q Sure. He says all parties involved agreed that it was an acceptable practice and I am asking whether -- did you think it was acceptable, did Mr. Byers think it was acceptable?
  - A. I don't know about Mr. Byers.

Now me, myself, at that time, yes, I thought it was acceptable.

- Q Have you since questioned it, that it was proper?
- A. No. I have since then found out that it was not proper.
- Q. That's what I meant to say. All right.

  Asked -- This is again Mr. Jimmy Johnson, the foreman, when questioned:

"When asked whether he was aware of CP483 procedure for determining allowable

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ers, Inc.  cold spring loads on the pipe" -- that is the name of the procedure, I guess -- "he stated that he was not aware at the time that it was for pipe fitting, that it may be for equipment and flanges, et cetera. He also stated that others must have been aware since they all agreed that the method used was acceptable."

Were you aware of CP483 at the time?

- A. Not at that time, no.
- Q Jim Johnson then stated that "the foremen just had too much to remember with CP's, FWDS', ASME, et cetera. He just couldn't remember them. He said he would like to have a period of time to sit down and study the codes and procedures but he hadn't had the time, production didn't allow him to do so."

Did Mr. Johnson ever express that opinion to you or communicate to you the fact that he just didn't have time to come to understand the procedures and follow the procedures to get the job done?

- A. He never said that to me, no.
- Q. In your affidavit you state that:

  "Since then they cut this pipe and it gets sprung," right?

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Q And they issued an NCR for it and cut into the line and remade the fits in a proper fashion presumably, right? They fixed it?

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Q And you see in your affidavit, it is about two-thirds of the way down the page, it says:

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Now does that mean, Mr. McCall, that in recent time they have cleaned up their act, so to speak, and stopped using this practice?

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A. I really don't know, as far as that goes. The only ones I have actually seen is the ones I have had

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Q And what are the other ones that you have had hands-on experience with, besides the one we just talked about?

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Q Help me find it. Do you see where it is?

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- Is it the quarter-inch line? Q.
- The quarter-inch line.
- Q. Is that right?

Do you see where it says:

"I have not seen any big cold springing operations lately. I can recall once when I was NCR'd for springing a pipe a quarter inch."

- That is a quarter-inch, right.
- Is that the one you are talking about? 0.
- Right.
- Tell me what happened in that instance.
- A. In that instance we were off about a quarter of an inch tying into the volume control tank.
  - The volume control tank.
- Right. It was off about a quarter of an inch and a took a Porta-power and eased it over.
  - Q. Okay.

What size piping was this?

- A. Four inch.
- Stainless, carbon --
- Stainless.
- 0 Was this a Class A, B, C system, do you remember?
- Class B I think. A.
- B. And it is safety-related, right?

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A. Yes.

Q And it was mismatched -- you couldn't fit it using moderate hand pressure, right?

A. No.

Q And you used a -- what is a Porta-power?

A. A hydraulic jack.

Q How did you mount the jack to it?

A. Just wedged it between it and the leg of the tank.

Q And the edge of the tank?

A. And the leg of the tank.

Q I'm sorry, the leg of the tank. Okay.

And cranked it over into place.

A. Correct.

Q Okay. And how did you get caught?

A. The jack was still there and the inspector showed up.

Q. Say again?

A. The jack was still in place and the inspectors came in.

Q Were they just wandering around or did they come to check the fit or --

A. Check the fit.

Q And did you know that you were violating procedure when you used the jack to make the fit?

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A. No, sir, not at that time. That was right after the first one, the 12-inch line.

Q Okay.

So as far as you knew to get the job done it was proper to use the jack to make that fit?

A. Correct.

Q. And did Jimmy Johnson know that you were making that fit with a jack?

A. I can't say that he did. I can't say that he didn't, but I can't say that he did. I didn't discuss it with him.

Q All right.

As far as you were concerned at the time,
Mr. Johnson would have approved us of a jack to make it
fit?

- A. I can't answer that.
- Q He hadn't told you you couldn't, right?
- A. No, not directly.
- And who was the inspector that caught that

one?

- A. Charlie Farrell.
- Q And Mr. Farrell wrote you up?
- A. That is correct.
- Q Okay -- NCR'd the fit of the pipe.

And what did they do to resolve the NCR, do you

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- A. They cut the pipe back out.
- Q Okay. Cut it out and made it again right.
- A. Right.
- Q And that happened back in -- was that '81?
- A. It was the late part of '81 or the first of '82.
- Q Now at that time cold springing was not uncommon, was it?
  - A. It wasn't common.

That was the reason I had so many questions about the first one because it was something that I hadn't ever seen actually going on.

Q Okay.

And you did it the second time and they told you -- and you got caught.

- A. Correct.
- Q The NCR was how you learned that it wasn't supposed to be done that way.
  - A. Correct.
  - Q. It wasn't Mr. Johnson who told you?
  - A. What, after that?
- Q. No, I mean -- you learned through getting a red tag on it, not your foreman telling you that it was not right.

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- A. That's correct.
  - Q All right.

Now let's look a little bit further then on your affidavit, Mr. McCall. You talk about -- this affidavit was taken after you were interviewed, right, by the Duke people?

- A. That's correct.
- And who was it that was interviewing you?
- A. I'm sorry, I have a hard time with names.
- Q Somebody in employee relations?
- A. I think it was one of the engineers.
- Q Would you recognize him?

I think there are a bunch of them sitting in the courtroom behind you. Look around and see if you can tell me one of the men. Maybe we can help figure it out.

(Pause.)

Not a one?

- A. I am really not sure.
- Q Okay. Not sure?
- A. Not sure.
- Q And they asked you a bunch of questions and this affidavit reflects the information you gave them, right?
  - A. Yes, sir.

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paragraph it says:
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Q Moving on down, in the second to the last

"I don't know of any specific violations of interpass temperatures. I have seen a four-inch Schedule 40 joint welded and capped out in 1-1/2 to 2 hours. That doesn't give it much chance to cool down."

Now in order to make that weld in that amount of time your opinion was when you communicated this to the interviewers that you would have to weld too fast to let the weld cool between passes, that is what you are trying to say there, right?

- A. It seemed to me that it was a bit quick.
- Q A bit quick. Okay.

And can you remember where that particular weld

- A. It was in the auxiliary building in the penetration room.
  - Q. The penetration room.

    Was that stainless or carbon?
  - A. Stainless.
- Q And are there safety-related systems in that part of the plant?
  - A. I don't -- yes, there are.

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Nuclear safety -- I thought you were going to ask if I knew whether that particular line was nuclear safety.

0 Okay.

It could be or it couldn't be but it is in a part of the plant where they do have nuclear safety related systems, right?

- That's correct.
- Was it a socket weld or a butt weld?
- A butt weld, a four-inch butt weld. A.
- Can you remember who the welder was?
- No, sir. It's been quite a few years back.
- 0. Okay.

How did you happen to notice that it got done in that particular period of time -- particular amount of time? What made you take note of that?

Due to the fact that usually on a weld like that a welder would write it for as long as he could, you know. He would more or less take his time and make it last longer.

Okay. It would be a day's worth of work, in other words?

- A. Close to it.
- Q And this was 1-1/2 to 2 hours?
- A. Right.

Q All right.

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Do you have any idea who the crew was or who the foreman was?

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That's about all I can recall.

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A. Could you --

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of your affidavit and say Mr. McCall, we want to find where that weld was made. We want to try to determine

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A. They said something about it but I couldn't tell you exactly which fit it was.

Q Okay.

Did you go to the plant and try to show them where it was?

A. I went back into the plant and looked for it but, like I say, you know, that was several years back and there had been a lot of pipe put in since.

Q Did you do that on your own or did you do that with Duke -- the investigators?

A. I done it at the request of the investigators.

Q And could you come close to where it was?

A. I could get you in the close vicinity, but that would be about it.

Q Could you find the line?

A. No, there was no way that I could recognize it. I wasn't working on it, I was the next line over from it.

Q All right.

Was that just an example that came to mind?

A. That was just something that stuck out in my mind.

Q. When they asked you about the subject of interpass temperatures?

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A. Correct.

Q And that would be the way that someone would notice, you know, who wasn't actually doing the work would be if a particular weld was done particularly quick, it made you wonder about whether they had met the interpass temperature requirements, right?

A. It would me, yes, sir.

Q. You think -- and that is common knowledge, that is the way people would question whether interpass was observed is the time it took to make a weld?

A. Yes or be right there in the vicinity and watch the welding going on.

Q And see how hot it looked?

A. Right.

Q. The last paragraph on the first page of your affidavit says:

"I have seen many arc strikes outside of the welds that have been removed without paperwork. The arc strikes I am talking about usually occurred when a welder was dragging his rig from place to place."

Do you see that, Mr. McCall, down at the bottom there?

A. Yes, sir.

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"The strikes would normally just be filed off. I haven't seen this lately. The welders are taking great care and preventing this problem."

Now what period of time are you talking about when you would see arc strikes outside the welds that were repaired without paperwork?

- Probably from the time I went in the plant to six, eight months, a year after.
  - Q. Okay.

When would that have been, what year?

- I transferred to the plant in December of '78.
- So '78 through when, you figure?
- A. Part of '79.
- And what happened that you know of to stop the practice of making undocumented arc strike repairs outside of weldments?
  - Could you repeat that, please?
  - Sure.

What brought that practice to a close? Do you have any idea why they stopped doing it?

A. I don't really know what caused them to stop doing it, as far as how it come down, through management or whatever, but I know generally that they started leaving the tungsten completely out of the rigs and things

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24 ce-Federal Reporters, Inc. of this nature, leaving those exposed ends away from the pipe.

Q Okay. So you think that it happened more in the past because the welders, when they were moving their rigs around, had the tungsten electrodes in place so if it accidentally hit up against a pipe it would make an arc strike, is that right?

I am not real conversant with the terms but that is what you are saying?

- A. That's correct.
- Q Okay.

And so a common cause of these accidental arc strikes was in welders moving their equipment around and bumping up against the pipe?

- A. Yes.
- Q Okay.

And how would you come to see these things, how would you know about it?

- A. How would I know about it?
- Q Yes.
- A. You can see it, just working in the area with a welder or whatever. In pipe we work pretty close to the welders.
  - Q And you would see when the arc strike got made?
  - A. Yes, sir.

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  - Q I mean, it would make a noise or a flash of light, spark, right?
    - A. Usually there was a small flash of light.
  - And isn't it also so that if a welder wanted to make sure that he wasn't making these accidental arc strikes, he should have gone back and cut his machine off before he moved it around?
  - A. Not so much that because you could remove the tungsten and as long as the cup is in place it would --
  - Q Either you could take the tungsten out or you could go back and turn your machine off, either of those ways would keep you from making these accidental arc strikes, right?
  - A. Well the way the welding machines down there are set up they are running off of a grid, you can't really turn them off.
    - Q Unplug them.
    - A. Unplug them.
    - Q Yes.

That would do the same thing, right?

- A. Right.
- Q. And either way it takes more time to do that, go back and unplug or take the tungsten out, right?
  - A. Correct.
  - Q Have you ever seen a welder or anybody else

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make one of these arc strikes and then do the repair work themselves without getting the paperwork:

- What do you mean by "repair work?"
- Grind, file --
- I have seen them take and file them off, the superficial arc marks or whatever. just certain ones with -- more or less it just makes a discoloration in black where there is no harm done.
- Well you don't know whether there is any harm done or not, do you?
  - Not from a technical standpoint, no.
- And that's why, if you have an arc strike like this, you are supposed to get proper process control to write it up so that someone can evaluate if it requires some kind of further effort, right?
  - That's the way we do them now, yes.
- On a serious arc strike, you might have to put filler material in, put weld metal in and you might have to grind it out?
  - On a serious one, yes.
  - 0 Right.

And for those serious ones you would have to get process control documents, quality control people being called, you would have to get inspectors to look at it, correct?

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A. Yes, sir.

All those things take time and cost money, it is easier just to fix it?

On all the serious ones I've ever seen, that's the way they went.

All right.

The ones that you saw were supposed to have been fixed with paperwork and they weren't though, were they?

A. I really don't know. The only ones I ever seen was like I say just surface arc marks. You could have took a wire brush and run over them and you couldn't hardly see them.

Well what you say here is:

"I have seen many arc strikes outside of the welds that have been removed without paperwork."

A. That's correct, see because arc strikes, you know, what do you consider a serious one? I mean, if something just went straight across, like just dragging a file or something across a piece of pipe, you know, you can see thatit is there but would it really cut into it or do any damage to it?

Q What was your understanding of what the procedure was at the time you were seeing these things? They were

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∠ ce-Federal Reporters, In supposed to get approval to make the repairs outside of the welds, aren't they?

- A. I really don't know.
- Q All right.

Did the interviewers ask you about your knowledge of arc strike removal? Did they ask you for more information about this subject?

- A. Would you repeat that?
- a Sure.

Did the interviewers, the Duke people who talked to you about your concerns, did the technical interviewers or the employee relations interviewers ask you for more information about your arc strike concerns?

- A. At the time of this interview?
- Q. Yes.
- A. Yes.
- Q Okay. And did you tell them any more information?
- A. No, they asked me if I had ever seen one.
- Q Okay.

Is there anything more that you told them that is not included in this paragraph here? Did you tell them when it happened, did you tell them --

- A. That's something, you know, I couldn't rin down, you know as far as when it happened.
  - Q Did they ask you?

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24 Ace-Federal Reporters, Inc. What I am driving at is they --

- A. They asked, yes.
- Q Okay.
- A. But I couldn't ....
- Q Did they ask you at the time you wrote this affidavit whether these were just minor arc strikes or were they major ones, too?
  - A. That was minor arc strikes.
  - Q Yes, but did they ask you that?
  - A. Yes, sir.
  - Q They --
- A. They asked me whether it was minor, major, if I thought it was serious, you know, a large arc strike....
- Q They just don't have anything in your affidavit about it one way or the other, whether they are minor or major or anything else.

You told them --

- A. I told them that I had seen arc strikes and they asked me, you know, whether I thought they were serious, deep gouged arc strikes.
  - Q And what did you tell them?
- A. They were superficial, you know, just dragging a rig across.
- Q. So you told them everything that is included in this affidavit right now on that subject, right, Mr. McCall?

A. Right.

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On the second page you say:

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McCall, when did the inspectors start tightening up?

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A. It has been several years probably.

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Q Okay. The last couple of years?

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Q Ken Johnson, my foreman, still has problems understanding you can't cold spring pipe. Even after it has been explained to him that you have to use this construction procedure that requires documentation and use of the dynameter to test the amount of force. Mr. Johnson has been doing cold springing without following procedures.

A Not that I know of.

REPORTER: Please keep your voice up, Mr. McCall.
I can hardly hear you.

A Would you repeat the question?

Q Sure. What made you say to the interviewers here that Mr. Johnson, your foreman, still had problem understanding that he can't cold spring pipe.

A Okay. In my impression, he had more problems dealing with the conflict in procedures, where M-4 says you could use jacks, jigs, and then 483 saying that you couldn't.

Q He still hasn&t quite been retrained enough and you are saying that 483 said you couldn't.

A Could you repeat that?

Q Sure. It has been pointed out to him, it has been pointed out to you that 483 requires you to go through a certain procedure, and he still was of the mind that M-4 would allow him to cold spring, without following that procedure?

No, that was my impression. But I never seen him 2 do it, or have anybody do it. 3 Why did you have that impression? Just the way he talked. 5 Okay. Mr. McCall, you met with the interviewers and they took down your statement, they prepared the 6 affidavit and you signed it, right? 7 A Correct. 8 9 Now, did you meet with anybody else to discuss 10 your concerns, after your first interview? 11 A Did I meet with anybody else? 12 0 Yes. Mike Sandborn. 13 A And who is Mr. Sandborn? 14 Q 15 A He is one of the engineers. 16 Okay. And he talked about cold spring issue with Q 17 you? 18 That is correct. In one of the affidavits here. 19 On 12 inch line. And what did he have to say about the investigation/ 20 21 resolution? Okay. I was just giving him more or less the same 22 information that is in my affidavit. I met with Brian Kruse 23 and Tommy Mills and Mike Sutton, and they explained what they

had done as far as the investigation.

Okay. That says on September 20, 1984, I am looking 1 2 at the second affidavit, on September 20, 1984, I met with 3 Tommy Mills, Brian Kruse, and Mike Sutton. Had they met with you before that date to explain 5 what they had done to investigate and resolve your concerns? 6 Not before that date, no. 7 Okay. Have you met with the Duke lawyers to discuss your concerns? 8 9 Yes, I have talked to some Duke lawyers. 10 Mr. McGarry, the one sitting here, you met with him? Q 11 A Yes, sir. 12 More than once? Q 13 Counting today, twice. 14 Q Okay. And Mr. Calvert sitting two over, Mr. 15 did you meet with Mr. Calvert? 16 Which one is Mr. Calvert? 17 Q Two over from Mr. McGarry. 18 No, I don't think I ever met him. 19 How about the -- any of the other Duke lawyers; 20 have you met with them? 21 Yeah, I talked to Mr. Hollins --22 Don't say nasty things like that --Q 23 (Laughter) Okay, he is not a lawyer, but I have talked to him, Ace-Federal Reporters, Inc. 25 and -- I don't see --

How about Mr. Carr? 0

Who is Mr. Carr?

How about Malcomb Philips? Q

Yes. A

You met with him?

Yes. A

Mr. McCall, I appreciate your answering your questions and coming in today. I know some of the other people are going to have questions for you, but thank you.

JUDGE KELLEY: Let's take a short stretch on the order of three minures. It might be helpful. Let's do that.

## (Short recess taken)

JUDGE KELLEY: We will go back on the record. We now have the questioning in succession, Mr. McCall by Mr. McGarry, Mr. Johnson, and the Board. We wanted to say before, and let me just say now, on the testimony in witness phase we want to complete by 7:00, so that we can take an hour break for supper and then we can come back and do the rebuttal that we talked about earlier.

So, with that in mind, if the Staff and the Applicants and the Board can point to clear, germane questions, that would be good.

Mr. McGarry?

CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. McGARRY:

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Q I will follow my normal practice. I guess last things first, Mr. McCall. Just so the record is clear, you spoke with me, and you spoke with some of the other lawyers for Duke. Did we in any way intimidate you or tell you what to say?

A No, sir.

Q I would like to focus on the cold spring. I am just a little bit unclear, and I read several other accounts of this incident in other affidavits, and indeed Mr. Guild read it to you from one of the other affidavits. Can you tell me if I am wrong in my view of this incident, because you were there and I was not; I am just reading documents.

As I understood it, you were fitting this pipe, and you were uncertain of how the pipe should be fit. You talked to your foreman. Your foreman said he was unsure, he went and talked to QA, and QA was unsure. Then an ANI person happened to be around, they brought him into it, and they all huddled and he was unsure. And then as a result of these gurus talking, they concluded that it was all right to fit the pipe up.

A Okay. The only difference is that I am the one who brought the QA inspector.

Q You brought the QA inspector?

A Me and the welder.

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-Federal Reporters, Inc. 25 Q And then they all got together, and they determined it was all right to fit the pipe?

A That is correct.

Q This case involved foreman override, and foreman override has been defined by the Board of a foreman either directly or indirectly, implicitly or explicitly telling a member of the craft to do work that would violate procedures.

Now, in this instance, as I understand it, these people got together, made a decision. Could have been a wrong decision. Ended up it was. But there was a basis for that decision when they were all together thinking it out. Do you view this cold spring as foreman override as I have defined it?

A I don't. Like I said, all the heads got together and said yes, it is okay to do it.

Q Now, another thing. This happened in 1981 in Unit 2, correct?

A That cont.

Q There has been a lot of discussion in this hearing about production. Am I correct in surmising that if production pressure existed, it would be less in the Unit 2 building in 1981, than in the Unit 1 building?

MR. GUILD: Objection, Mr. Chairman. We have been foreclosed from delving into the whole schedule issue.

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We sought discovery on scheduling material. We sought to try to relate to instances of what we believe are indicative of foreman pressure, resulted in procedure violations, and it seems to me that some interest in fairness would suggest that Applicants should not be permitted to --

MR. McGARRY: Withdraw the question.

JUDGE KELLEY: The question is withdrawn.

MR. GUILD: All right.

BY MR. McGARRY: (Continuing)

Q Discussion of interpass temperature. So the record is clear, you are not a welder, is that correct?

A That is correct.

Q Am I safe in assuming then that as a fact you don't know if interpass temperature was violated or not, is that correct?

A That is a fact, no. I couldn't say one way or the other.

As I read your affidavit, what comes across to me -- you were there, you tell me if I am wrong -- you saw welders create these arc strikes in the circumstances you describe, but there is no mention of any foreman telling them, a welder to file off his arc strike, or make this arc strike, is that correct?

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Q I was interested in one area, and that had to do with QA. You said inspectors getting tighter.

When you say, 'getting tighter,' do you mean to imply they weren't doing their job in the past, or are they doing their job more diligently now?

A More diligently now. They have always done their job. They are just around a whole lot more. At one time, they were there, you know, for fit-up inspections if you wanted them. You go sign up, and they would come back there. Now, they are just wandering through the building.

- Q You have been at the plant for how many years?
- A Six years.
- Q Six years. And you have worked for how many foremen?
  - A Give me some time to count them. About 5. Maybe 6.
- Q And during these six years, I bet you have done a lot of work, is that right?
  - A I feel like I have done a good bit.
- Q Out of all the work that you have done over the years you have been at the plant, the foremen that you worked for, the only concerns you had are expressed in this affidavit, is that correct?
  - A That is correct.
- Q During the interviews, did you feel free to bring up any concern that you had on your mind?

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A Sure.

Did you feel intimidated?

A No.

If I could just have one second, Your Honor. Just one last question. That concerns the other concerns you raised in your affidavit. You talked about cold springs, you talked about arc strikes, and you raised several other matters.

Am I correct in saying that none of these other matters, or indeed, none of the matters in your affidavit, would support a foreman override contention?

MR. GUILD: Objection. It calls for a conclusion that the lawyers haven't figured out.

BY MR. McGARRY: (Continuing)

Then to speed things along, you heard my definition of foreman override, correct?

A Yes, sir.

I will repeat it again. It is where a foreman is telling a number of craft to either directly or indirectly, implicitly or explicity, to violate QA procedures. Do any of the incidents you raise in your affidavit fall in that category?

A No. sir.

MR. McGARRY: No further questions.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Johnson?

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#### CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. JOHNSON:

Mr. McCall, I have basically just one question. Are you aware that as part of the inspection process, under the M-4 procedure, that there are walk down inspections of the piping system in which the principle object of the inspection is to look for construction damage on pipes, including arc strikes?

Could you repeat that?

Are you aware that as part of the inspection process for piping, there is a thing called the walk down inspection, under procedure M-4?

Yes, sir. A

And is part of that inspection process, looking for construction damage that might have been caused on the piping after it was inspected, including the possibility that accidental arc strikes may have been made on the piping?

Yes, sir.

0 To your knowledge, have those inspections been made?

To my knowledge, yes. A

Do you have any knowledge that those inspections were not made, or any arc strikes that should have been caught, or any other construction marks on the piping that

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A (Pause)

Q Did I make that too complicated for me.

A Yes. Could you repeat that one for me.

MR. McGARRY: You made it too complicated for

me.

MR. JOHNSON: I withdraw the question.

JUDGE KELLEY: All right.

BOARD EXAMINATION

BY JUDGE FOSTER:

Q Mr. McCall, you told us about this occasion on cold springing where you talked to your foreman, Jim Johnson, beforehand, and then in addition to that in your affidavit you have the comment that Jim Johnson, my foreman, still has problems understanding that we can't cold spring pipe.

Is it your impression that that cold springing as approved by Johnson is carried out because Mr. Johnson wants to cut corners, or that he just doesn't understand the procedures?

A He would never want to cut corners. He never wanted to cut corners.

Q He never wanted to cut corners. So, you don't think

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there is any corner cutting on his part that is involved in any of these situations?

A No, sir.

Q Okay. Now, you have worked for other foremen besides Mr. Johnson. In your reaction to working for these various foremen, do you feel that they all have about the same amount of concern for quality, or was Mr. Johnson, perhaps, less quality conscious than the other foremen that you have worked for?

A I would say they were all about the same.

JUDGE FOSTER: That is all I have.

#### BOARD EXAMINATION

### BY JUDGE PURDOM:

Q Mr. McCall, are you a little tense meeting with a group here today. You seem kind of cool. I was just wondering if you are up tight a little bit about this kind of a meeting.

A Just a little; not much.

Q I thought I noticed your hands there. Maybe you are a little more nervous than you appear to be. Does this kind of meeting intimidate you?

- A Not really. I just didn't know what to expect.
- Q You were working with the Company, last year, 1983?
- A Yes, sir.
- Q Were you aware that this Board was having hearings

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on the plant license request at that time, when we were down in Rock Hill?

A Yes, sir.

Q Were you also aware we offered to here any employees in confidence if they had something that needed to be said to the Board?

A Yes, sir.

Q You and anumber of other employees have filled out these affidavits at the request of the Company; given various things that you were aware of, why didn't those employees tell us about it at the time. Do you have any ideas on that, yourself and the others?

A No, sir, I don't have any ideas.

Q Were they intimidated at the thought of coming to the Board. Did they think they would get reprised? Any idea -- why didn't you come before us then?

A I really didn't think that much about it at the time. I said in my affidavit, this an attachment to another man that brought up his concern, at the time, the only major concern I has was on the cold spring, and when this was brought up, the line had already been cut up and re-worked.

Q So, are you saying that you didn't have any real serious problems at the time?

A That is correct.

JUDGE PERDOM: I have no further questions.

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JUDGE KELLEY: I guess we aren't as awe inspiring as we thought. I don't have any questions.

MR. GUILD: Nothing. Thank you.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. McCall, that takes us through the process. We want to thank you very much for coming in and sharing your information and responding to questions. Appreciate your time and attention. Thank you very much, you are excused.

WITNESS: Can I just leave this laying here?

JUDGE KELLEY: That is the affidavit?

WITNESS: Yes, sir.

MR. GUILD: Just hand it over to me.

WITNESS STANDS ASIDE.

JUDGE KELLEY: Good afternoon Mr. Braswell, correct?

WITNESS BRASWELL: Yes.

Chairman of the NRC's Licensing Board. This is Dr. Purdom on my right, and Dr. Foster on my left, and the various lawyers here you will meet in just a minute. I wanted to ask you first, I know when you were first interviwed by the Company about your concerns, you were told it would be kept confidential and we had an arrangement here whereby we can stay in closed session and it would be confidential, and the public and the press would not be in. We have a preference

for public session, and if it were okay with you, we would adtually prefer to have it open to the public. I might just add sort of a compromise point that you might want to be aware of. Two or three of the witnesses have said that it is okay with them if the door was open and the public was allowed in, but they don't want to have their face on television, and the TV people understand that and don't take front pictures,

Among those options, which would you prefer?

WITNESS BRASWELL: Open, but I would rather not be on television.

JUDGE KELLEY: Fine. The television people know that, and they have been good about honoring that as far as I know, and I think that will work. So let's open up the door again and we will make sure they understand that.

Gentlemen from the television station, we are under the same understanding, the witness prefers not to have his face on TV.

I will turn you over to Mr. Guild -- I should swear you first, I am sorry. Would you raise your right hand, please.

Whereupon,

and we go that way.

# CHARLES W. BRASWELL,

a witness called on behalf of the Interveners, takes the stand and testifies as follows:

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MR. McGARRY: Your Honor, again this is a witness we have to make a prompt preliminary determination like the previous witness.

JUDGE KELLEY: I have to cover one other point first. As in the case of one of our prior witnesses, when we read your affidavit, it wasn't clear to us one way or the other whether you had been working at least in connection with the concerns you talked about, whether you had been working with safety-related systems, or non-safety-related systems.

Could you tell us about that?

WITNESS: I have worked on safety and non-safety.

JUDGE KELLEY: You worked on both?

WITNESS: Yes, sir.

JUDGE KELLEY: As to the concerns that you speak to in your affidavit, do they relate at least in part to safety-related systems?

WITNESS: Part of them safety-related.

JUDGE KELLEY: Just a minutes.

(Board confers)

JUDGE KELLEY: Okay. I think that establishes the point sufficiently for us. Mr. Guild?

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. GUILD:

I am Mr. Guild, Counsel for Palmetto Alliance. Let me introduce the other people. This is Philip Rutledge, with

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Carolina Environment Study Group, Michael Lowe, with Palmetto Alliance from Columbia. Sam Nunn, who used to work at the plant as a welder, Rick Wilson, a lawyer from the State of South Carolina.

Brad Jones and George Johnson, lawyers for the NRC, and I think you know Mr. McGarry, from the Company. You have met him before.

A Yes.

Q And Mark Calvert and Mr. Hollins, who is not a lawyer, and these are the Judges.

I have had a chance to read your affidavit and to look at some of the paperwork, Mr. Braswell, about some of the concerns that you raised to the Company regarding the work you do in the Company.

I want to give you a copy of the affidavit and ask you to sort of follow along with some of the points with me. It is just as you signed it, I believe, except your name has been deleted, and the number is there. That was so the name wasn't disclosed until you came in here today and said you wanted to have it public.

Mr. Braswell, what kind of work do you do?

- A Powerhouse mechanics instrumentation.
- Q When did you start at Catawba?
- A June of '78.
- Q Can you tell me the foremen you have worked under

	1	since you	have been at the plant?
	2	A	Started out with Buddy Scott. Was transferred to
•	3	Ken Dodds	crew.
	4	Q	How long did you work on Mr. Dodds crew?
В	5	A	Four years.
	6	Q	What period of time? From when to when?
	7	A	About '79 to some time in '83.
	8	Q	How about after Ken Dodds?
	9	A	Worked for Bill Quin and Bob Halterman.
	10	Q	I am sorry. The last one?
	11	A	Bob Halterman.
	12	Q	Is that who you are under now?
•	13	A	Yes.
	14	Q	Okay. Now, Mr. Dodd was and is a foreman for the
	15	powerhouse mechanics in the instrumentation area, right?	
	16	A	Right.
	17	Q	And Mr. Dodd reports to a general foreman. Do you
	18	know who did he report to when you were under Ken Dodd.	
	19	A	Miles Moss.
	20	Q	He was a general foreman?
	21	A	Yes.
•	22	Q	And do you know who Mr. Moss was under?
	23	A	Oscar Hongiesto.
Ace-Federal Reporters,	24 Inc.	Q	And Mr. Hongiesto, was he the Superintendent.
The state of the s	25	A	Yes.

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24 Ace-Federal Reporters, Inc. Q Do you know what area they would call it; superontendent over what?

A Millwrigh instrumentation.

Q All right. I am particularly interested in concerns about Mr. Dodd, and his practices as a foreman.

I have seen some criticism of Mr. Dodd, and it sort of goes along the line that he was a hard foreman to work under.

He put a lot of heat on people, and sometimes the work suffered because of the way he came down and ran his crews.

Looking at your affidavit, Mr. Braswell, it is one of the ones in that package in front of you. It is the second one on the list, it is the June 13th affidavit, and will you hunt through there and see if you can find that. Do you see the affidavit that I am talking about?

A Yes, sir.

Q Look at the second page, and it is a paragraph that starts out that reads: I do not feel Dodd should be foreman; and then you relate some reasons. Now, I am going to skip over the reasons for a minute.

At the bottom of that paragraph it says and I am quoting now: Dodd has often said ain't no son of a bitch going to run me off this job.

And I take that to mean, Mr. Braswell, that there was a sense among people on the crew, at least you had, that if you raised criticisms about Mr. Dodd that you did so fearing

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what he might do as a result.

He wasn't going to have anybody run him off the job, and that that meant you best keep your mouth shut about what he did or didn't do. Is that a fair understanding of what the paragraph means, or what your opinion was?

A To me it was kind of just like he had the attitude:
I am the boss. You do what I say.

Q My way, or the highway.

MR. McGARRY: If I could jump in here. Mr. Braswell has indicated safety or non-safety, but I have gone through this affidavit again. There is only one area that potentially involves foreman override issue and involves safety issue, and I believe that is the torque wrenching incident, which is addressed in Attachment A, and that involved foureman Halterman.

With respect to Mr. Dodd, all of that work with -- is non-safety, so I would object to any line of inquiry.

JUDGE KELLEY: Just stay with the point. What page are you looking at?

MR. McGARRY: I am looking at the technical interview, the second from the bottom in my batch.

JUDGE KELLEY: What is the date on it?

MR. McGARRY: It is April 6. It is a one page document. And it also appears on page 1-- there are two April 6th affidavits.

JUDGE KELLY: Yes, I see that. Now, where is the

incident you referred to?

MR. McGARRY: It is the longer of the two April 6th's.

The big middle paragraph, and in the shorter, it is the

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MR. MC GARRY: And that one we addressed in our Attachment A, and it's fair game.

JUDGE KELLEY: What's the paragraph?

MR. MC GARRY: I have no knowledge of a QA procedure. It's the second one, technical interview. It begins with: The problem with a torque wrench.

JUDGE KELLEY: And you would concede that the paragraph beginning "The problem with torque wrenches..." is fair game --

MR. MC GARRY: Fair game.

JUDGE KELLEY: Do you say that's safety or non-safety?

MR. MC GARRY: That would be safety.

JUDGE KELLEY: That is safety. So we have established that much, that you would agree -- Mr. Guild, in terms of incidents what would you want to ask questions about?

MR. GUILD: Mr. Chairman, on the face of Duke's treatment of the other issues they treat them as non-safety. And I don't have a specific basis for disputing that although I would sure like to be in position to ask Mr. Braswell, since he is the one who can offer evidence and I'm not, I'm just saying that that's how Duke treats them.

Now, the incident Mr. McGarry points to was

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something I do want to speak to. They analyze it as a safety issue.

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JUDGE KELLEY: Right. Okay. That's agreed to.

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MR. GUILD: That's agreed to.

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MR. MC GARRY: Can I mention one other thing in terms of safety. The painting incident which is included in both April 6th affidavits, it's included in the longer April 6th affidavit, the bottom half of that major para-

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graph, and the technical interview, the third paragraph.

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That's also a safety area. We would say it's

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not foreman override because it didn't involve a foreman.

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It was just observation by a member of a craft doing something. There is no foreman override indication at all.

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But those two are both safety.

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The Ken Dodd allegations are all non-safety,

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not Class G, turbine building.

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JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Guild, are you interested in

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MR. GUILD: Not in detail, Judge. I would like to ask the witness a couple of questions about it.

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JUDGE KELLEY: Now, your general point about the

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MR. GUILD: My general point is --

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MR. MC GARRY: I think the Judge was addressing

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25 me, Mr. Guild.

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ce-Federal Reporters, Inc.  JUDGE KELLEY: Let me just ask Mr. McGarry and then we will come back to you.

MR. MC GARRY: Similar to another witness that we have spoken with. I think this witness will tell you that with respect to all these concerns about Ken Dodd raised in these affidavits, they involve turbine building work, Class G pipe, non-safety matters.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Guild.

MR. GUILD: Mr. Chairman, in public session, Mr.

C. J. Parker appeared and Mr. Parker expressed concerns

about Ken Dodd's competence and the appropriateness of his

leadership style, given his practice of pressuring his crews,

for Mr. Dodd to work crews in the instrumentation area now

in Unit 1 involving safety-related work.

We are attempting to demonstrate that Duke's investigation of the facts of foreman override is inadequate. They haven't asked enough people, they haven't gone into enough detail, their methodology and approach is flawed to determine how pervasive foreman override is. Notwithstanding that, the limited sample that they made of power house mechanics, and given the questions which were not structured to elicit information about any issue other than in the welding field, we believe in the face of these affidavits there is a demonstrated pattern of foreman override evidence reflecting adversely on, among other supervisors, Ken Dodd.

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s, Inc.  Mr. Dodd is one of the thirteen or twelve, depending on how you count it, supervisors for which Duke took personnel action and which were told by the NRC -- was the basis for the NRC findings of violation with respect to Criterion 2 of 10 CFR, Appendix B.

It is our position that the only way we can demonstrate pattern is by using the evidence available to us. The evidence available to us includes the affidavits of this gentleman, Mr. Parker and a number of other people who have mentioned Mr. Dodd. Because Applicants didn't happen to put on a piece of paper something that they quality as safety-related doesn't seem to me to insulate Mr. Dodd's course of conduct and the fact that he does do safety-related instrumentation work in Unit 1 right now from being out of the reach of this Board and these parties.

So, we believe that the Board should hear this gentleman, Mr. Braswell, on the evidence with regard to his experience under Ken Dodd as well as the conceded safety-related concerns that he has that relate to other circumstances and perhaps other foremen.

We will try to demonstrate a pattern with regard to a foreman named Ken Dodd who is in a craft other than welding.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Johnson?

MR. JOHNSON: After reviewing the affidavits, it

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seems to me that the specific incidents that are enumerated here, I have some question as to whether they have relationships specifically to safety systems. On the other hand, I think it might not be inappropriate for Mr. Guild to be able to ask this gentleman about Mr. Ken Dodd with respect to the question whether he was indeed engaged in something which we could determine was foreman override in the safety systems.

JUDGE KELLEY: In a safety system, your last phrase --

MR. JOHNSON: I didn't see any direct evidence in the affidavit, but it doesn't seem to me that it's inappropriate to ask those questions.

JUDGE KELLEY: Oh, okay. I understand your position.

Excuse us a moment.

(The Board members are conferring.)

Okay. Gentlemen, back on the record. This seems to us to be kind of knotty because of the different categories that come up.

Now, this is the way we come out. It is conceded by all counsel that Mr. Guild can get into this one incident involving the second paragraph of the technical interview. That's established, right?

Beyond that, Mr. Johnson points out it's certainly

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fair to elicit information about other incidents of a safety nature that may not be in the affidavit.

Did I understand you right, Mr. Johnson?
MR. JOHNSON: Yes, sir.

JUDGE KELLEY: That certainly seems fair, Mr. Guild. Thirdly, Mr. McGarry has said that he believes the witness will testify that these other described incidents are non-safety. He may be right, but he may not be right. There may be some misunderstanding.

In any event, you can certainly determine whether that's the case. If it turns out that some of the incidents already described are safety incidents, then they are open as well as the first one we referred to.

The last point is should we be questioning about non-safety incidents involving foreman override or arguably foreman override on the theory that the foreman is now involved in safety work, may be demonstrated proclivity and is relevant. Now, earlier in the case of Mr. Parker on that point we said no and excused the witness. And if we were going to be consistent throughout we would say no again.

We are inclined to concede that the point is debatable. And so we have a second witness here. If you want to go off in that direction with questioning, without getting into the details of some incident conceivably

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non-safety but pursue your broader point, we will allow that subject to seeing where it leads us in some reasonable time frame.

## FURTHER DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. GUILD:

Mr. Braswell, with that let me see if I can ask you some questions.

On the second page of your affidavit on June the 13th, I guess that will make it the -- well, it's the top one in my stack. It's probably not the top in yours. But June 13th.

Did you find it?

A Yes.

Again, the quote is, "I do not feel Dodd should be a foreman." And, in Mr. Parker's testimony -- and as the Judge just related, Mr. Parker came forward and appeared and was excused earlier, Mr. Parker states, "I believe Dodd's attitude and his way of working his men effected quality."

What is it about Ken Dodd that caused you to have the opinion that you have and perhaps Mr. Parker and others on his crew to feel the way they do about his style of leadership, his conduct and his effect on your work?

Could you explain, please?

Could you repeat all of that for me?

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(Laughter.)

2 Probably not, t I will try to say it again. 3 What was it about Mr. Dodd's behavior as a foreman that effected you and other people who worked for him, the way

What did you like about him, not like about him? I presume from what you said here that there is something you didn't like about him.

(Pause.)

you did your work?

One thing to me was just his favoritism, where he showed favoritism to different people on the crew.

What if you were somebody that was not on his side, was not one of his favorites?

How did he treat somebody different?

(Pause.)

Just maybe not to do with the work but just things like, you know, he would let other people get away with different things like maybe this fellow, you know, go to the canteen a little bit earlier than somebody, you know. He wouldn't say anything about it. Stuff like that.

Looking at your first page of your affidavit, the June 13th affidavit, about the middle of the page, "I went to Buddy all the time."

Who is Buddy?

A Buddy Scott.

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#12-9-SueT1	Q And who is Mr. Scott, another foreman?			
2	A Yeah.			
3	Q Also over power house mechanics in instrumenta-			
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5	A Yeah. "I went to Buddy all the time because I			
6	had no respect for Dodd's abilities as a foreman. He alway			
7	had the attitude of, what I say goes. He treated most of			
8	the crew this way."			
9	Could you tell me what you meant by that state-			
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11	A Buddy Scott was over the reactor building at			
12	that time, and we were loaned out to him, me and another			
13	fellow on the crew. And we were doing rework, going in			
14	and removing tubing for, say, a hanger had to be erected.			
15	And so Buddy was over the area, so we just went to him			
16	'cause he knew more about it.			
17	Q Okay. Is that safety-related work?			
18	A In reactor, it was.			
19	Q Instrumentation work?			
20	A Yeah, most of it was. Some of it was unsafety-			
21	related.			
22	Q Okay. And you were still on Ken Dodd's crew but			
23	you were on loan to Buddy?			
Ace-Federal Reporters, Inc.	A Yeah.			

And why did you pick going to Buddy as opposed

#12-10-Suet to going to Mr. Dodd if you had problems? 2 3 about the systems, what we were working on. 5 about the work? 6 In the reactor building, he was. 7 0 8 9 10 of Ken Dodd? 11 A (Pause.) 12 I'm not sure I understand you. 13 14 15 16 and inspected." 17 18 Buddy Scott was over that work, right? 19 He was over the reactor, right. 20 21 isn't he? 22

Buddy knew more about the reactor and more Okay. He was better informed than Mr. Dodd Well, what is it about his attitude, you say, "He always had the attitude of what I say goes." Is that attitude part of the reason why you went to Buddy instead Okay. "I went to Buddy Scott for direction most of the time instead of Dodd. I feel the instrumentation work in the auxiliary building/reactor building was good Okay. That's when you were under Buddy Scott. Okay. But Ken Dodd is in the reactor now, A Yeah.

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0 Over instrumentation work?

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0 Well, what do you think about that? What --

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you expressed this opinion about Mr. Dodd and his abilities as a foreman, you expressed concerns about Mr. Dodd and the way he treats the crew. Mr. Dodd is in the reactor now doing safety-related instrumentation work.

Do you agree with Mr. Parker's observations that Ken Dodd's attitude and his way of working is bound to effect the quality?

A (Pause.)

I don't know if it effected quality or not.

Q Okay. What was his way of working people?
Tell me what you know about it.

A (Pause.)

I'm not really sure what you want out of that.

Q Well, I really want you just to tell me -- and I appreciate the difficulties of the situation, but I'm trying to avoid frankly getting the Judges unhappy with me by talking about the examples that you have that aren't examples -- well, strike that. I will start again.

On the part of Mr. Dodd, let's talk about those and see if these can be illustrative. I'm looking at your June 13th affidavit, and there it states, "I have a concern with expansion coils in the turbine building. They were supposed to be three feet from the root valve. Dodd told me not to install the coils because they had enough expansion."

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Well, he -- Dodd said, you know, for to run a pipe that we had enough expansion in it. We had --

Could you describe under those circumstances,

Tell me what expansion coils are, Mr. Braswell. We will start with that.

A They are --

MR. MC GARRY: Your Honor, I'm going to object. I think now, by way of illusration, I think the Board has said Mr. Guild could go into this topic, but now to start talking about expansion coils in turbine, that's Class 2.

JUDGE KELLEY: I think what we indicated, or intended to indicate was we don't want to go into an elaborate and detailed discussion of Class 2 work but as a vehicle for asking the questions I think you have to have a vehicle.

A few questions of this nature for context, Mr. Guild. Well, try it anyway.

MR. GUILD: I'm going to try to.

BY MR. GUILD: (Continuing)

Could you explain -- I've got to start from the beginning a little bit, Mr. Braswell, and I hope this is a little easier to go on. But you have got to tell me what an expansion coil is so I can understand what your concern was here.

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	2	your tubing won't the pipe won't break or bend.			
	3	Q	Okay. And it's a coil piece of pipe?		
	4	A	Yeah.		
	5	Q	And it's on an instrumentation line?		
	6	A	Yeah.		
	7	Q	Right.		
	8	A	Yeah.		
	9	Q	And do I understand that the drawings called for		
	10	having an expansion loop in this particular line?			
	11	A	Yes, sir.		
	12	Q	And how do you know that?		
•	13	A	I looked at the drawings.		
	14	Q	That was work you were doing?		
	15	A	Yeah.		
	16	Q	All right. Did you start to install an expan-		
	17	sion loop,	then?		
	18	A	We were told didn't need it, that there was		
	19	enough expansion in the pipe.			
	20	Q	Okay. And who told you that?		
	21	A	Dodd.		
•	22	Q	Okay. How did he come how did it come to		
	23	his attention?			
Federal Reporters,	24 Inc.	A	I don't know.		
	25	Ω	Okay. You don't recall. Do you know who raised		

the question to him? Or, did he come tell you to forget 12-14-SueT that expansion coil? 3 How did it go? He just told us we didn't need the expansion coil 4 5 in it. 6 Okay. And did he explain why? Not other than just it h you know, enough 7 8 expansion there in the pipe itself. 9 Okay. Now, did anybody ask him about why he was leaving this expansion coil out, given the fact it was 10 very clearly specified in the drawing? 11 12 Not that I know. Just he told us to do it. He's 13 the foreman. 14 Okay. No one asked? 15 Not that I know of, no. 16 You did it, because you are used to doing it and he told you to do it, right? 17 (The witness nodded in the affirmative.) 18 And how did you find out later that they took 19 corrective action that dealt with that problem? 20 21 How did you learn that? 22 We had to go back and do rework on it. Okay. Who found the problem? Do you know? Do 23 24 you know how it was found?

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A I'm not sure, no.

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Q Okay. How did you find out that you had to go back and do it over again?

A Dodd came back and told us we had to rework it.

Q Okay. All right. It says here on the affidavit, "Dodd's explanation about the coils in the turbine building was that we were upgrading the system and not to worry about it. More than half the crew questioned Ken about this."

Okay. Do you see that? It's about halfway down the first page of the June 13 affidavit.

A What's the question again?

Q Did you find that part of the affidavit?

A Yeah.

 $\Omega$  Is that what happened? Did many of the people on the crew ask him why he left out the expansion coil?

A Seems like it was brought up. I can't --

Q Okay. What did you understand Mr. Dodd to be saying when he said they were upgrading the system and not to worry about it?

A We have standards that we've got to use a certain material and then we can go up to a higher class material.

Q Okay. So, what was he saying, that they were going to tear it all out and redo it anyhow so don't worry about it?

A No. We were using the higher class material.

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Q Oh, I see. You are saying that even though the specs called for an expansion coil, you were using a better grade of material and so you shouldn't worry about it? Is that what that meant?

A (Pause.)

Yeah.

Q Okay. I'm looking at an April 6th affidavit,
Mr. Braswell. The first page of that one, it's the first
long paragraph. Okay. Reading from it, "When I worked
for Ken Dodd in January of '79, May of '83, I was pushed
by him. Although the quality of the work was okay I don't
think it looked good."

Then, you give that example again. Can you tell me what you mean when you say that you were pushed by him and that the work didn't look good?

A Would you ask the question again?

Q Sure. What do you mean by the words that he pushed you, when you said, "I was pushed by him," Ken Dodd?

Pushed you to make production, keep the work up?

A (Pause.) Pushed to make production I guess.

Q And then you go on to use this expansion coil example. That's an example of a situation where because he was pushing to make production, Mr. Dodd had you do work that wasn't according to specification, correct?

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A I don't believe it's 'cause he was pushing us.

He just said we were upgrading material.

Q Well, what you said to your interviewers back in
April, Mr. Braswell, was, "I was pushed by him," Ken Dodd.

Okay. "For example..." I left out one sentence. "For
example, in the turbine building we were running one-half
inch pipe from root valve instruments. Details called for
expansion coil tubing. Dodd said since we were upgrading
the class of pipe we didn't have to worry about it. The
work was changed twice since then."

You used that as an example when you told the interviewers about Ken Dodd, an example of an instance where you were pushed by Ken Dodd, the quality of the work was okay but you didn't think it looked good.

Right?

A Yes, sir.

O Okay. Now, this is what the Company wrote up about the concern Mr. Parker expressed about Ken Dodd's conduct as a foreman. All right. "When asked if he had any questions about his technical concerns, Parker said no except he wondered why Dodd told the crew to violate procedure. And how did he, Dodd, continue to get by with it. Lewis then told Parker..." -- Ms. Lewis is one of the interviewers -- "...that his employee relations concerns had all been investigated and appropriate action had been

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taken where necessary. Lewis told Parker that she could not give specifics."

Next paragraph, "Parker replied that Dodd should not be working a crew, especially in Unit 1. That Dodd told the crew to violate procedure on numerous occasions and that he, Parker, did not trust Dodd's abilities as a supervisor. Parker continued by saying that even though most of the work had been corrected it was done wrong initially because of Dodd. Parker said he was not satisfied even though he knew that an investigation had been conducted of this concern."

All right. Now, is that statement by Mr. Parker, assuming that that's a correct statement of his opinion, is that a fair statement about Ken Dodd's abilities?

Do you agree with that?

A I can't say I've ever been told he came right out and said to violate procedure to do something.

Q Okay. Well, whether he came right out and told you to violate procedures, do you agree with Mr. Parker's opinion that Mr. Dodd shouldn't be working a crew, especially in Unit 1 doing instrumentation work?

A At the time I worked for him I didn't think he was a good foreman. I don't know how he is now. I haven't worked for him.

Q Okay. Let's talk about a couple of other concerns.

#12-19-SueT And I'm almost through. You had a concern, Mr. Braswell, about the incident that you describe on your April 6th 3 memo, it has to do with torquing redheads. Could you tell us what a redhead is? 5 A It's an expansion hanger. 6 0 Okay. It goes into the concrete? 7 Yeah. A 8 Okay. And it had a sleeve and it's some kind 9 of a holt that goes into a sleeve? 10 A Yeah. 11 0 Is that how it works? 12 A Yeah. 13 0 And why do they call it redheads? 14 That's the Company that makes them I believe. A 15 Okay. And what do they do with the redheads? 16 A Install hangers. 17 Okay. When you put it in the wall, what's 0 18 sticking out of the wall? What's that? 19 A You have a threaded bolt with a nut and washer 20 on the end. 21 Okay. Now, they are not safety-related equipment 22 on redheads? 23 A Yeah. 0 Pipe hangers? Ace-Federal Reporters, Inc. 25 A Yeah.

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Q Okay. Cable trays?

A Yes, sir.

Q Okay.

A It had been a while since I worked on it.

On that affidavit, you are saying here, "I have no knowledge of a QA procedure being violated and corrective action not taken, however, on March, 1983 I installed redheads in Number 1 reactor loop..." And you have got a number. "Today I found out QA is just trying to resolve an R-2-A against the torque wrench. It seems funny that they wait one year to check into it."

Okay. Then, you go on and you talk about Mr. Halterman. "Bob Halterman told me just to go point some redheads out to the inspectors. I don't know if he was kidding or not. I couldn't remember which ones. They seem to be in a hurry to complete the work."

All right. Now, how did that happen? Tell me what you learned about that? How did you learn that they are trying to resolve -- that they are starting to resolve this R-2-A?

A Buddy came down and got me and said they needed for me to go point out the redheads that I torqued with the torque wrench, and I told him I couldn't remember which ones it was. Couldn't remember at that time where the loop was.

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So, then I went back up there and I went with the inspector and they got one other fellow who was working in the area at the time to go down there and show me where it was. And I looked at the loop and I couldn't remember what I had done to it.

But I pointed out the loop and the inspector, he checked the redheads that were on it.

All right. You've got here, you said, "Bob Halterman told me just to go point out some redheads." Strike that.

"Bob Halterman told me just to go point out some redheads to the inspectors." Did he say that?

A He said that, yes, sir.

Okay. And you don't know whether he was kadding or not? That's what you say?

A Yeah.

But he said it?

A Yes.

And did he say it after you told him that you didn't remember which ones it was that you had torqued?

I can't remember if he said it before or after we checked it.

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Q Okay. Now, what do you mean when you say, "They seem to be in a hurry to complete the work?" You said you couldn't remember which ones, they seemed to be in a hurry to complete the work.

Do you mean in a hurry to go back and re-torque the redheads?

A They were. Yes.

Q Now, did this have to do with the fact that there was some problem with the calibration of the torque wrench that was used originally?

A Yeah.

Q Okay. They went back and checked the calibration and it hadn't been checked in a while or it was out of calibration?

A It was out of calibration.

Q Okay. And that means that the redheads that had to be torque wrenched into the expansion anchors might not have been in tight enough?

Is that basically the idea?

A Yes.

Q Okay. They weren't in tight enough -- if they weren't in tight enough the tray or the pipe hanger or whatever might fall off the wall?

Be loose, vibrate, what have you?

A It's possible, yes.

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Ace-Federal Reporters, Inc.  Now, another example you have here, you say,

"Also Unit Number 1 there have been many hangers that did

not meet the one one-thousandths of an inch gap. I have

seen Bob Russell get a painter to put a good layer of paint

on the base plate. By doing this, the distance can't be

gauged. I have heard others talk about doing this. I

think this occurred in the accumulator room. There is no

telling where else we did this."

Okay. Now, talking -- you are talking about pipe hangers now, right?

- A Tubing hangers.
- Q Tubing hangers? Carry instrumentation tubes?
- A Yes, sir, half-inch tubing.

MR. MC GARRY: Excuse me. Is Bob Russell a foreman?

WITNESS BRASWELL: He's a craft person, mechanic.

BY MR. GUILD: (Continuing)

Q He's a mechanic? Okay.

MR. MC GARRY: Your Honor, we would say this subject is not proper for -- it's on the first page, that major paragraph at the bottom half.

JUDGE KELLEY: How does this tie in with foreman override?

MR. GUILD: Well, I didn't know who Mr. Russell was. But I would like to ask the question to see -- I

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think Mr. McGarry's point is well taken, there is no supervisory involved in this but I would like to establish that independently.

JUDGE KELLEY: Can we do that now? Let's just do that.

MR. GUILD: Fine.

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Q You were talking about this paint in the baseplates,
Mr. Braswell. I gather what you are talking about here is
if there is a specification that says you are supposed to
have one-one thousandths of an inch gap, is that the gap
between the baseplate, the wall, the floor --

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Q And you are supposed to measure that one-one thousandths of an inch, but if you put a lot of paint on it before you put the baseplate on, it makes it tough or

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A Right, fills the gap in.

impossible -- it hides the gap, right?

Q Fills the gap, right. So it might have more than one-one thousandths of an inch gap between the plate and the wall, but it is clogged up with paint. Is that basically what happens?

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Q Now you are using this as an example of being in a hurry to complete the work. Now Mr. Russell is a fastener. Who does Mr. Russell work for?

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A He works for Buddy Scott.

Q Okay. And Mr. Scott was the foreman to whom you were loaned out to do the work on instrumentation at the

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mm2 1 time, right? 2 A Yes. 3 Does Mr. Scott know about the paint on the baseplates? I don't believe so. 5 You don't have any idea whether Mr. Scott saw the 6 painters trying to fill the gap with paint? 7 A No. Do you have any idea of quality assurance people 8 9 knowing about this? Did the inspectors catch it? 10 A Not that I know of. 11 Why would you do this? 12 It is such a small gap that some places you can't 13 get a big hanger up. It is easier to get that hanger in. 14 Q Okay. To do it right you have to take it down and 15 do it all over again. 16 You might, the hanger, yes. 17 Q All right. Let's move to the bottom of that affidavit. You talk about incidents where you saw a 18 19 welding inspector put a weld on a piece of stainless. 20 it says here "Another inspector stood watch for him." 21 MR. MC GARRY: Your Honor, again I will just make 22 the same observation. This is a non-foreman override issue. 23 It is the last major paragraph on the April 6th affidavit. 24 MR. GUILD: I don't dispute that. I am just Ace-Federal Reporters, Inc.

closing on something else altogether, Mr. Chairman.

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JUDGE KELLEY: What is that?

MR. GUILD: If I can ask the next question I think it will help.

BY MR. GUILD:

Q Mr. Braswell what I am interested in here is the practice you observed in the second half of that. That is, while this inspector was doing welding, he had someone else, another inspector look out for him.

You were asked in your interview about that practice -- or were you asked during the interview about that practice, about having inspectors stand watch. Did anybody ask you about that?

- A About this incident, yes.
- Q No, I am not talking about this particular incident.

What I am interested in is, are you aware of foremen or other people, supervision either by their instructions or in their knowledge, having members of their crew standing watch for inspectors?

Are you aware of that ever happening, that kind of thing happening in the plant while they are doing something like painting these baseplates or cutting corners in one way or another? Where procedures are not being complied with, having someone looking out to see whether or not an inspector is somewhere around where he might catch them?

A Not that I know of.

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Q Okay. Have you ever heard tell of that experience, ever heard rumors or any information that suggests that that has happened?

A Nothing I can think about.

Q Okay. Do you have any idea whether or not Mr. Moss -- Mr. Moss was the general foreman over Ken Dodd, right?

A Yes.

Q Were he and Mr. Dodd close?

Did you ever observe whether they appeared to have a close acquaintanceship, spend time together?

A Moss, he went around to all his foremen. I don't know if it would be any more than what he talked to any other foremen at the site.

Q How about Mr. Hungisto? Did Mr. Hungisto seem to have familiarity with Mr. Dodd?

Did he know Mr. Dodd?

A I guess he knowed him.

Q Do you know whether they are close, or acquaintances, whether they speak only from a distance? Do they seem to know each other well or not, do you know?

A I don't know.

Q Okay. Were you ever at a safety meeting that happened -- I don't know how to date it. But, were you aware of this crane accident?

Do you know what I am talking about, about the

mm5 1 crane accident? 2 Yes. 3 That was last year, sometime? A Two years, I guess. 5 Two years. Okay. Q 6 Were you at a safety meeting where Mr. Hungisto and 7 Mr. Moss spoke to folks, the powerhouse mechanics -- maybe he 8 spoke to a lot of people, I'm not sure -- safety meeting 9 where those two gentlemen were in attendance? 10 I can't recall one. 11 You don't recall a safety meeting after that 12 incident? 13 We have safety meetings every Tuesday morning, now. 14 Q Let me ask you directly. Do you ever recall being 15 at a meeting at a point in time -- and to place it, it is 16 after this crane accident where Mr. Hungisto or Mr. Moss or 17 both of them said that the people shouldn't go to the NRC, 18 said something about going to the NRC? 19 A No. 20 It doesn't sound familiar? 21 A (Shaking head negatively) 22 Sometime thereafter, somebody else came and said, 0 "No, no, that is not a right policy. It is okay to go to the 23 24 NRC." Ace-Federal Reporters, Inc.

Does that sound familiar?

A I can't recall a meeting. We have been told we can mm6 2 go the NRC whenever we feel like it. 3 You can recall that, but you don't recall being told otherwise by Mr. Moss and Mr. Hungisto? Not that I can recall. 6 0 Okay. MR. GUILD: Mr. Braswell, I appreciate your patience 7 8 in answering these questions. I am sure some of these other 9 gentlemen have some questions for you. 10 Thank you. 11 JUDGE KELLEY: We will have some questions. Let's 12 take about a five-minute stretch break. 13 (Recess) 14 JUDGE KELLEY: We will go back on the record. 15 You are back on, Mr. Braswell. 16 Mr. McGarry is going to have some questions, I assume? 17 MR.MC GARRY: Yes, sir. Not too many 18 CROSS-EXAMINATION XXX 19 BY MR. MC GARRY: 20 These are nice easy ones. 21 Good. 22 23

We have been discussing at this hearing a subject called foreman override. And foreman override has been 24 defined by the Board as a situation where a foreman, either directly or indirectly, implicitly or explicitly tells a

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Now I have read your affidavit. Am I correct in saying that your affidavit doesn't indicate any instances of foreman override?

A As far as I see.

Q You mentioned -- you talk about Ken Dodd. You said as far as you see, it doesn't, is that right?

A (Nodding affirmatively)

Q You mentioned Ken Dodd and you said he wasn't a good foreman. I just want to make sure the record is clear. The quality of work was okay, isn't that correct?

A Yes.

Q And with respect to the Bob Halterman situation -that was the redheads -- you weren't sure if he was kidding
or not, you stated, is that right?

A Right.

Q Aside from this incident, did Mr. Halterman ever tell you to violate procedures?

A No.

Q Did he tell you to violate procedures in this incident?

A Unless what he said about just pointing some out, and I said there I didn't know if he was joking or not.

Q There was some question concerning, hurry up, let's get the job done, hurry, hurry. There are a lot of things

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done at the plant on an expedited basis, aren't there?

A (Nodding affirmatively)

Q Does that mean they are done without quality? Does that mean they are done in an unsafe manner?

A No.

Q Talking about the paint and Mr. Scott. Did you ever hear Mr. Scott tell any of the people working for him to violate procedures?

A No.

JUDGE PURDOM: Could you speak up a little louder when you answer. We are having a little trouble hearing you.

THE WITNESS: Okay.

MR. MC GARRY: He had said no to that last question.

BY MR. MC GARRY:

Q With respect to the quality assurance folks, you have seen quality assurance inspectors out on the site, haven't you?

A Yes, sir.

Q In your opinion, you have been out at the site now for five and a half years, do you feel the quality assurance folks do their job?

A Yes, sir.

Q During these interviews, did you feel free to bring up any concern you might have -- let me ask you that.

mm 9 Did you feel free to bring up any concern you might have? 2 Yes, sir. 3 And all those concerns are set forth in these 4 affidavits, is that correct? 5 That's right. 6 Did you feel intimidated in those interview 7 sessions? 8 No, sir. A 9 You met with me, didn't you? 10 A Yes. 11 Did I intimidate you or tell you what you had 0 12 to say? 13 A No. 14 You met with Mr. Philips and Mr. Carr, isn't that 0 15 right? 16 I'm not sure I remember Mr. Philips. 17 Well, any other lawyer you may have met, do you Q 18 feel that they intimidated you or told you what you have 19 to say? 20 A No. 21 I have asked this of other people, but I would 22 just like to ask this of you. 23 You have worked at the site for five and a half years; you have worked for how many foremen? I think you Ace-Federal Reporters, Inc.

told us. Four, five foremen? I think four.

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	7	Q	And out of all the work that you have done at the
	8	plant, the	concerns that you have are set forth in these
	9	affidavits	s, isn't that correct?
	10	A	That's right.
	11		MR. MC GARRY: Thank you.
	12		JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Johnson?
	13		MR. JOHNSON: No questions.
	14		EXAMINATION BY THE BOARD
	15		BY JUDGE PURDOM:
	16	Q	Mr. Braswell, this is more intimidating than
	17	meeting w	ith the company people, isn't it?
	18	A	Yes.
	19	Q	Is that what makes you a little bit quiet when
	20	you answer	questions?
	21	A	I guess.
•	22	Q	Does that kind of restrict your answers? Does it
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Q You related an incident where you wondered whether the procedure was right or not and you asked, and everybody got together and decided they could go ahead and do something.

And then you had another incident where it turned out you got marked up for doing what you might have thought was the same thing.

Is that right?

MR. MC GARRY: No, Dr. Purdom, I think the first example doesn't apply to this witness.

JUDGE PURDOM: It doesn't apply. Okay.

BY JUDGE PURDOM:

Q The incidents that you have in mind, if you thought that you were being told to do something improper, would you have gone to the quality inspector of the NRC or something, if you thought it affected plant safety?

A If it had to do with safety, I feel like I would have gone to somebody.

Q Does that mean that you didn't think these seriously affected safety, as far as you knew?

MR. JOHNSON: Judge Purdom, could you clarify the question so that he is clear on what kind of safety you are talking about?

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concerned, not safety as far as falling off of a ladder, or anything like that.

- A I'm not sure I understand you, really.
- Q What I am trying to get at is, how serious did you think these events were?

Are they serious enough to have been brought to the attention of anyone other than your foreman or yourself? Are there circumstances where you felt like you or somebody else was pressured to do something that wasn't according to procedures that you felt so strongly about that someone should have been notified?

- A I'm kind of lost in what all you said now.

  BY JUDGE FOSTER:
- Q Mr. Braswell, one kind of a little clarifying question for me. It relates to these redheads and the torque wrench.

If I understood what was going on there, it was back in March of '73, you were installing the redheads, and you used the torque wrench on these. Am I right?

A Yes, sir.

Q Then later on, like quite a bit later, like a year or so, you found out the calibration on that torque wrench was wrong. Is that right?

A Yes, sir.

Q Was there a foreman that was involved in that

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situation in any way, like one of your foremen didn't tell
you which wrench to use, it was just a wrench that you checked
out from a regular tool bin or something of that sort.

Is that right?

A Yes, sir.

Q So your foreman didn't know that the wrench was faulty either, did he?

A No, sir.

Q And it was written up in an RZA, I guess, which is in here.

Do I understand correctly that your concern about this was that it took so long to find that the wrench wasn't properly calibrated? Is that the main part of your concern?

Or, was there something different?

A The main part, it took me about a year to resolve the R2A. The torque wrenches -- they are calibrated every month, or every so often.

Q Okay. Then presumably they did find that the wrench was out of calibration.

Was that when, maybe when the R2A was written?

- A The R2A would be written then.
- Q As a result of the wrench being so far out of calibration?
  - A Yes, sir.
  - Q Then it took a long time to follow up, getting the

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right torque on those bolts, if they ever did following that.

That's all I have.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Guild?

MR. GUILD: I have nothing further. Thank you very much, Mr. Braswell.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Braswell, we do appreciate your coming. We appreciate your attention and your interest.

You are excused.

(Witness excused)

JUDGE KELLEY: Can we call Mr. Carpenter to the bench.

MR. GUILD: Mr. Carpenter, if you would come forward to the bench, we will finish up with you, sir.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Wilson, I didn't get to call you.

I hope you don't have unanswered questions --

MR. WILSON: Actually you did save me the rather personal embarrassment of saying "No Questions," the first round. The last one, the only one that I had was really something that looked like a typo, and that was about it. I had just wanted to clarify that.

JUDGE KELLEY: With anything like that, you can break in, if you have to.

MR. WILSON: If there had been a material problem, I would have hollered.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Carpenter, good afternoon.

Thank you for coming back.

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JUDGE KELLEY: I think, Mr. Guild, you hadn't

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finished. You got far along, but you had some more questions.

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MR. GUILD: That's true.

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BY MR. GUILD:

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Mr. Carpenter, let's see if we can pick up someplace close to where we were last night.

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You worked for Mr. Moore on the second shift?

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all of the QC that got done got done by Bill Burr? He was

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the second shift inspector, right?

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And who did Mr. Burr work for? 0

I think Bob Harris is who he answered to. A

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And was Bob Harris on second shift?

A No, sir. He was on the first. He come on the second for about, like two, three weeks. That's when they brought more inspectors on because they started bringing more crews and all on, so they had to bring a few more inspectors to cover the area.

Q Okay. Do you recall an instance where you went and talked to Mr. Burr's boss, Bob Harris, about some of the weld work that you had questions about?

A The only reason we talked to him was, we couldn't get an inspector down there to sign welds off. We had to leave them for first shift and get them to sign them off, and they wouldn't get them signed off. So, it was pushed back to us to get them signed off.

Q Okay. Do you remember an instance going to talk to Mr. Harris and asking him for some help of that sort, and him just saying, "Go ahead and do it, don't worry about it"?

A We asked for a few more inspectors on the site, and he says, don't worry about it. They have been talking about this situation and if they feel like they need another inspector they will bring him on.

Q Did he say something like, you know, "Nobody cares about it, anyway. Nobody gives a damn about it, anyway"?

A He said nobody really cares, so we just got one inspector on the site, so we will just stick with the one we've got. If we need any more, maybe if people start

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complaining and all, maybe they will get some more.

As far as he was concerned right now, there was nothing he could do; so he didn't really care.

Q Okay.

Did he give you reason to believe that he checked with his supervision and had passed on your request, but that he got the words coming from them that they weren't going to do anything about it?

A I don't know. He acted like he talked to somebody but they felt like he just couldn't get nothing done.

Q So basically it was down to Bill Burr. If Bill Burr didn't catch something that was going wrong in the second, then nobody else was going to catch it because there wasn't any other inspectors on the job.

Is that fair?

A That's right.

Q I gather one man on the whole site pretty much couldn't catch everything that went on.

Is that fair?

A Like I say, people on the second worked the whole job site. And ne may be up at one end of the plant, and we are on the other end. So we had to beep him to get him to come down. If he was tied up, he couldn't come down to check us, so the work would end up being left for first.

And they wouldn't really know what was going on.

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How about random inspections. If Mr. Burr was the only one out there on the job and he was supposed to get out there and check when you called him -- you know you beeped hin, he came for his final visual -- was he out wandering around the plant doing random inspections of the weld work that was being done?

No, he wasn't.

Was there anybody that was doing random inspections on the second shift?

NO.

Well, who was there on the job then to find the things that an inspector is supposed to find through random inspection, who was going to see whether or not anybody was observing proper interpass temperature controls, for example?

A People that was actually doing the work. There was, like I said, only one inspector, and usually a fitter foreman and a welding foreman.

So on your crew, it would be the welders who were doing the work that was supposed to make sure that they didn't violate interpass temperature?

Yes.

And then it would be your boss -- of course that is Mr. Moore, and he was't check too much to see whether you

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were observing interpass temperature, was he?

A No, sir, he just wanted you to hurry and get the job done so you could get to another job.

Q Okay. And how about the -- any other supervision checking such things as interpass temperature?

A No. sir.

Now if Mr.Burr, if he had seen welds being welded without the proper interpass temperature, if he had been there to check your interpass temperature either visually, see the welds being made, know how long it was taking, to observe its color, or to actually check it with a temp stick on a random basis, and he found that you were welding too hot, you were welding over the 350-degree standard, he would have written you up, wouldn't he?

- A Yes, sir, he would have written a workup.
- Q He would have written anNCI?
- A Either an NCI or an R2A.
- Q Or an R2A. But in any event, it would have been identified as a deficiency and would have gotten some paperwork, and it would have been written up, right?
  - A Right.
- Q Do you know anybody that was written up on the second for violating interpass temperature?
  - A No, sir.
  - Q Were you ever written up for it?

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A No, sir.

Q Okay. Tell me about you going to talk to Bill Burr.

Did you ever seek out Mr. Burr to have him -- ask him questions about the work or ask him to take a look at things, or whether things were being done right?

A If we had a question, we didn't know the procedure, we would go to him and ask him to explain it to us.

If we had a problem we would go to him because he was the only one that knew procedures real good. Our foreman, he didn't know procedures that good, so we'd have to go there to ask Bill to explain procedures to us and to help us if we need help on it.

Q Can you recall any examples of doing that? Situations where you couldn't get help from Mr. Moore and you would go to Mr. Burr and ask questions?

A One situation was they were tacking up a half coupling on the side of a pipe, and the foreman changed the number on the paperwork. We brought it to Bill's attention and he got to checking in on it and found out that the man had done it illegally.

- Q Who was that foreman?
- A That was Wade Hall.
- Q Is he a welder foreman?
- A Fitter foreman.
- Q A fitter foreman. And that was an M4A. What kind

of paperwork was he talking about? 1 mm21 2 M51, I think. 3 Was that for structural work or hangers, or --4 No, it was for a coupling on the side of a pipe. 5 Oh, a coupling on the side of a pipe. 6 Is that safety related? 7 A No. 8 It is not? 9 Class G. 10 Class G. It required -- it was a situation where Q 11 an inspector changed the number of a weld? 12 No. 13 What was it? 14 The ISO number has one number and the drawing A 15 number is supposed to correspond with the same number. It 16 was faded out and he couldn't read it, so he just wrote it 17 in. 18 Okay. 0 19 And brought the paperwork back, said it was 20 ready, go ahead and tack it up and all. 21 He wasn't gone long enough to go up the hill and 22 get anything done. 23 Q I see. So he couldn't actually have gone up to the 24 QA office and gotten the right number put on there. Ace-Federal Reporters, Inc. 25 just put a number on.

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A So we asked Bill about it, he checked it out, found out that it was wrong and all, so he wrote an NCI on it and stopped work then. And the foreman got removed from service.

- Q Hall got removed because it was something --
- A It was falsifying documents.
- Q Because it was something that you brought to the attention of Bill Burr?
  - A Uh, huh.
- Q If you hadn't brought it to Burr's attention, would it have been found?
  - A I doubt it.
- Q Do you remember a situation where Stan Watts was directed by Mr. Moore to do some work?
  - A It was on that 14-inch carbon steel class G.
  - Q And what did Mr. Moore want Mr. Watts to do?
- A He wanted him to weld it up and the bevel wasn't right.

MR. MC GARRY: I will just make a point I have made several other times. I think we are getting into an incident now that is Class G, nonsafety.

MR. GUILD: I am focusing on Mr. Moore and the foremen, and not the piece of work. We are taking by example, that indicative of the practice.

JUDGE KELLEY: The objection is nonsafety, and this involved Mr. Moore.

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(Board conferring.)

We will sustain the objection. We regard this as cumulative and repetitive. We allowed this kind of questioning earlier on a prior witness. We are concerned where there were foremen implicated, but we don't think --

MR. GUILD: That is fine, Mr. Chairman, I am ready to go forward.

BY MR. GUILD:

- Q Mr. Carpenter, I want you to look at your April 17th affidavit. Do you have a copy of that?
  - A (Shaking head negatively)
  - Q Let me see if I can get you one.

    We have got one coming your way

    (Document handed to witness)

Now, if you find the one that is dated April 17th.

A Yes.

Q I guess there are two of them with that same date on it. This is the second one. It is just a one-page, dated April 17th.

I am looking at the third paragraph down, Mr. Carpenter. Let me read this. It says here:

"I have another problem to mention that I didn't in the first interview. On an eight-inch RT weld in the auxiliary building, I was making repairs on two areas rejected by RT. While I was looking at the root

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Ace-Federal Reporters, Inc. 25 of this weld, I saw an area of excess penetration.

I pointed this out to my foreman, Lloyd Leatherwood.

Lloyd asked me if the excess penetration showed up
on the film. I told him no. Lloyd told me not to
worry about it and go on and make the repairs. I
didn't feel right about doing this, so I asked my
general foreman, J. T. Hamrick, what to do. He said
the same thing as Lloyd did. I made the repair
leaving the excess penetratin. The ANI had a hold
point -- "

-- that's Authorized Nuclear Inspector, right?

- A We never made the repair.
- Q You didn't?

A It had a hold point on it. The ANI man come and looked at it and he said, cut the weld out, and then they made the repairs.

Q Okay. So the ANI man came because there happened to be an ANI hold point on this weld?

A If there hadn't been an ANI hold point, it would have been welded up.

Q Okay. In this case the ANI man had a hold point on it because he puts a hold point on welds at random, right?

Just doing part of his job checking things, right?

- A Yes, sir.
- Q In this particular case if it hadn't, just by

chance had an ANI hold point, they never would have caught this mm25 2 excess penetration? 3 A No. Okay. Can you tell me how you saw the excess 5 penetration, sir? 6 We took the film and we laid it on the areas that were bad. We had to cut all the way through --7 This was repair work? 9 Yes. We had to cut all the way through the pipe 10 in two places. When we cut into it and was looking inside 11 to see how the root looked, was there excess penetration, 12 we seen the glob hanging through at about 2 o'clock. 13 0 Okay. 14 But the film didn't have it on there. Just the 15 two places that we cut out did the film show bad places. 16 Okay. And there was another bad place is what you 17 are saying, right? 18 A Yes. 19 That is where the excess penetration was. Now 20 that excess penetration, was it a rejectable condition? 21 Yes, sir. A 22 And this was an RT weld. It must have been a 23 safety-related system, wasn't it? 24 A Yes, sir, it was class C work.

Do you know where this weld was, what system it

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- A I don't know the system, but it was on 577 going into number one penetration room auxiliary building.
- Okay. How did you bring it to Mr. Leatherwood's 0 attention?
- Well, me and this other guy named Bruce McCarter were working on that system. It was a bunch of welds that Dean Bernethhad made that were bad. We had to go back and do repairs on them.
- Dean Berneth had gotten his stencil pulled because he had done a bunch of bad welding, is that right?
  - Yes.
  - Q He had been a welder?
  - Yes. A
  - You were assigned to do repair work on him?
- We were assigned overtime doing repair work on them. We looked inside and seen it and all. We asked Lloyd about it, do we need to cut it out before the ANI man came here?
- And he said, if it didn't pick up on the film don't worry about it.
- So, the ANI man came, looked at it and said, "That's got to be removed."
- So, they removed it and repaired it back up and got signed of and shut.
  - Q How did the ANI man happen to notice it?

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	2	Q	You showed it to him?
_	3	A	Right.
•	4	Q	If he just looked at the film he wouldn't have seen
	5	it either	, would he?
	6	A	He has to look inside to make sure the root is
	7	good, and	evaluate it.
	8	Q	And you told him in advance that there was
	9	A	We told him that there was a bad spot on it, to
	10	look at i	t careful.
	11	Q	He agreed with you?
	12	A	Yes, sir.
•	13	Q	Now you told Mr. Leatherwood to look at it and he
	14	said, don	't worry about it.
	15		Did he look at it, did he come look at it?
	16	A	No, sir, he never got up on the scaffold to look
	17	at it.	
	18	Q	Did he look at the film?
	19	A	Well, he gave us the weld package and all, and I
	20	take it t	hat he did look at the film.
	21		He didn't get up there and put the film on the
•	22	pipe.	
	23	Q	Okay. So he didn't examine the actual excess
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Toporters	25	A	No, sir.

mm28 1	Q You went and saw the general foreman about this, too?			
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3	Q He was down in our work area.			
•	Q Who was that?			
5	A J. T. Hamrick.			
6	Q Mr. Hamrick. He just happened to be there? You			
7	went and sought him out? How did that happen?			
8	A He was just down in the work area to see how many			
9	welds we got completed for that day and all.			
10	Q Okay. What did you say to Mr. Hamrick?			
11	A I asked him told him that we had a bad spot in			
12	there. He asked me, what did Lloyd say?			
13	I said, well Lloyd said if it wasn't on the film,			
14	not to worry about it.			
15	And he said, well, if it ain't on the film, don't			
16	worry about it.			
17	Q That doesn't mean it wasn't there, it just meant			
18	that it didn't show up on the film?			
19	A It didn't show up on the film.			
20	Q Did Mr. Hamrick come over and look at the welds?			
21	A No, sir.			
22	Q Did he look at the film?			
23	A No, sir.			
24 Federal Reporters, Inc.	Q He just said if it is okay byLloyd, it is okay			
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- Q And that is when you pointed it out to the ANI?
- A The ANI man had come up there and looked at it.

  Then we pointed it out when he climbed up there.
  - Q It got cut out and reworked?
  - A That section got cut out.
- Q Now when you were interviewed by the company back in the spring and they heard you express this concern, did they tell you that they did anything about it?
- A Well the welds was already reworked and done by the time they interviewed me.
- Q Right. Okay. How about anything -- not about the welds, but about what Mr. Leatherwood, the foreman and Mr. Hamrick, the general foreman, had to say and do about it?
  - A As far as what they done to him, I don't know.
- Q Did they ever tell you that they investigated whether Mr. Leatherwood -- Mr. Hamrick acted properly?
  - A No, sir.
  - That same document, Mr. Carpenter, you said:
    "I have heard of welders using lookouts for inspectors. I have never seen it, and rumor has
  - it that Earl Brown is a lookout. That's all I know
  - A Yes.

about it, just what I heard."

Q Mr. Brown, he was Arlon Moore's lead man, correct?

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A Yes, sir.

Q And you had heard that Arlon had had Earl standing watch to make sure that Mr. Burr or another inspector didn't see him?

A That's what I heard other people talk. That was

just hearsay.

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Reporters, Inc. 25 Q Now when was this when you were working for Mr. Leatherwood?

A. It was on a Saturday. I was looking for some overtime and I volunteered to work overtime for him because he was short.

Q. Normally though you were still working for Mr. Moore at that time?

A. Yes.

opinion about it.

MR. GUILD: If I could have just a second. (Counsel conferring.)

BY MR. GUILD:

Q. Mr. Carpenter, let me ask a question now:

I have got an affidavit here, I can't tell

you whose it is because it is still in confidence, but

let me read to you some of what it says and ask you your

MR. MC GARRY: What number is it, Mr. Guild, so we can follow it?

MR. GUILD: It is 196. That is the code.

You got a code too, Mr. Carpenter. They let
them get ahold of it.

BY MR. GUILD:

Q. The statement says as follows:

"The crew felt that if they didn't keep up the production the way that Arlon

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wanted, he would eventually find a way to retaliate. There was not a person on the crew who did not feel this way. The ones who felt strongly against this and didn't go along with Arlon left the crew at one time or another.

"Arlon had certain people on the crew who he would put on to do a job where no one else would or could do that. When he pulled a welder off of a job for not doing a job quick enough or who wouldn't be intimidated by Arlon, he had certain welders that he put on jobs.

"Bill Carpenter and Mike McKelvey were used a lot to do this. Mike McKelvey and Earl Brown did the rush work. Arlon. Earl Brown and Mike McKelvey would get together at the beginning of the shift and decide who was going to work on which jobs."

Now did Mr. Moore oftentimes get you to do this kind of work that he wanted to make sure it got done by the end of the job; did you get picked on a lot to do that?

He picked me by my certification, because some of us were certified on things that other ones wasn't.

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Like a friend of mine was certified on stainless stick and I wasn't, so he pulled me off of one job and put the other guy on the job because he was certified on stainless stick and then he put me over there on tig, maybe ne wasn't certified on stainless tig work.

And as far as pulling them off and putting them on another job because he was slow and all, I wouldn't say that, he moved them by certifications.

Q Okay.

On the same statement:

"I was assigned by Arlon to go
with Bill Carpenter to Henline's fab shop.
Bill had some welds out there" -- You go by Marion,
but they called you Bill on the job, right?

A. Yes.

There was more work than he could get done in one night. I helped him get set up. He had to get a fit up signed off on a couple of these welds. The inspector, Bill Burr, came out and signed off on fit-up. Someone asked Bill Carpenter if he had all the welds completed. Bill said yes, but he did not get them signed off because Bill Burr would know he finished too quick, there was more work

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than could be done inside the data sheets. These were two-inch stainless steel socket welds. I do not know where they were to be installed.

"Later I questioned Bill Carpenter why he would do this kind of thing. He made the statement Why do you think I get all these fab welds? I felt that he meant he was doing these things to please Arlon."

Does that ring a bell? Does that statement sound

We were working on Class E stainless steel socket welds and we had set them up -- I put a root on one, I set it to the side and put a root on another one and set it to the side. I would get the root and all on 'em and then come back and put the cap on them and work down the line that way.

Q. Ukay.

Most of them on the crew would work with just that one piece: they would put a root around it, set around and wait 'till it cools and then finish and then grab another one.

But we would set it up where I would put a root in this one (indicating) and maybe the other side, set it to the side and grab another piece and do it. And then after we got the roots and all, then we would come back

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and started capping them off.

And as far as violating procedures on it, I would say no. We had it set up to where it was like an assembly line.

- Q Okay. Do you remember who it was that helped you set this up?
  - A. Yes, Paul Irby.
- Q. And is it something that you did quick enough that you might have had to rush the job to get it done in time; is that an accurate description and understanding?
- A. We had a good many welds that had to be done and all so they could put in the hole. We were more or less fabbing them up on the table so they could put them into the hole. I think it went to a sprinkler system.
- Q. Do you remember make the statement or words to the effect that, as you were quoted as saying -- Let me read it again.

It says: "Later I questioned Bill Carpenter why he would do this kind of thing. He made the statement Why do you think I get all these fab welds? I felt he meant he was doing these things to please Arlon."

A. I was doing them to keep the work caught up.

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Q Okay.

A. As far as pleasing him, I don't think you could please him.

(Laughter.)

Q. Mr. Carpenter, you worked a little bit under Lloyd Leatherwood and you worked a bunch on second shift under Arlon Moore. Did you work under any other foremen on the Job?

A. I worked under Larry Rudisill, John Gladden, Billy Smith and Tim Hollinsworth. I got loaned out to several other foremen and all but I wasn't actually on their time.

Q. There has been testimony that Mr. Moore responded the way he did particularly when he was under Billy Smith when Mr. Smith was a general foreman; that, you know, sometimes when he was under someone like J.R. Wilson he was a different guy, you know, not really as hard on people.

Did you ever make that observation?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. You think it had a lot to do with Billy Smith being over him?

A. Yes, sir.

Q What about other foremen who were under Billy Smith --

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24 ce Federal Reporters, Inc. A. There was another one, Tim Hollingsworth,

he was all the time running around like he was scared because
of Billy Smith all the time riding him. You could tell by
as nervous as he was he would pull you off one job and put
you on another one because he just didn't know what to do
to please Billy.

Q And so Hollingsworth sort of responded the same way that Arlon Moore did under Billy?

A. Yes.

Q How about the rest of them that worked for Smith?

A. I don't know, I haven't worked for the other ones, just them two.

Q Mr. Carpenter, I appreciate very much you coming back a second night and that is all I have for you. These other gentlemen may have some questions for you but that is all I have.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. McGarry?

MR. GUILD: Excuse me, before Mr. McGarry begins, I am not clear whether a document is in and let me just see if I can establish whether it is or not.

Do you know whether or not, Counsel, whether -there is an October 5 memo to file reflecting the
resolution or non-resolution of Mr. Carpenter's concerns
and I just want to make sure that was in with the packet

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MR. MC GARRY: The answer is yes.

MR. GUILD: It is.

Thank you very much.

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BY MR. MC GARRY:

Mr. Carpenter, I don't know where to start. We've got yesterday and today and I am trying to get my notes together. We will do the best we can.

Let's talk about today since that is the freshest in my mind. We talked about Bill Burr; you know Bill Burr?

Yes, sir.

You think he is a good quality assurance inspector?

Α. Yes, sir.

You talked about random investigation, And do you have any idea what "random" means

in terms of investigation -- inspection?

It means they wander around and check to find out if your -- what you are working on and all and check you priori, check it every once in a while.

Q Do you think Mr. Burr could have been doing random inspections without your knowledge?

A. No, sir, because he was pretty well busy

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trying to cover everybody. 2 Q With regard to the sugaring incident, I believe 3 we talked about that yesterday. Was there an oxygen analyzer to determine --5 JUDGE KELLEY: Excuse me just a minute. 6 (Discussion off the record.) JUDGE KELLEY: Go ahead. 7 8 BY MR. MC GARRY: 9 With respect to the sugaring incident, was 10 there an oxygen analyzer to determine if there was 11 sufficient argon? 12 Yes, sir. 13 And did the reading on the analyzer register 14 zero? 15 Yes, sir. What does that mean? 17 It means there is no oxygen in that and that 18 is pure argon in it. 19 On Class C welds in the incident we are talking 20 about was there a fit up inspection? 21 A. Yes, sir.

And did the QC inspector note the condition you mentioned?

A. The tags were dark and all, he said they were acceptable.

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They was just dark, I mean black.

Q So that was the QC inspector who stated that the blackened condition was okay on a Class C weld?

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A. Yes, sir.

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Yes, sir, he got removed from service because of falsifying documents I think about two weeks after

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Q You were talking about Billy Smith right at the end and Tim Hollingsworth.

Did Tim Hollingsworth ever tell you to do any unsafe work? Did Tim Hollingsworth ever tell you to violate procedures?

No. sir.

I want to review this incident with the A&I inspector and Lloyd Leatherwood and J.T. Hamrick. As I understand it, and you correct me if I am wrong, that in that incident both J.T. and Lloyd told you it was all right to weld and their basis was that the area had been RT'd and there was no defect, is that correct?

He said Don't worry about the excess penetration, that we had to go through the hold point. He didn't tell me go ahead and weld it, he just told me go ahead and follow the rest of the hold points.

0. I see.

And the basis for his instruction -- or both of their instruction was that the RT was acceptable?

Yes, sir.

So it could have been wrong -- that decision culd have been wrong and in fact the A&I inspector thought it was wrong --

A. Yes, sir.

Q. -- but at least it was a basis for them to do --

at least there was a basis for them to tell you to continue to file the paperwork, wouldn't you say?

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A. The two-inch socket welds.

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Q And that is the incident you say is foreman override, correct?

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you have worked for five foremen.

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Q In fact, other people who have testified said

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you are a heck of a good welder, and I think that is evidenced by the fact -- and I will get your opinion on

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this -- by the last incident you talked about when you

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Federal Reporters, Inc. 25 were in the fab shop and you lined it up and you do a good, quick job, wouldn't you agree with that?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Now it is hard to rate yourself in comparison to other people on the site, but don't you feel that you were one of the better welders when you were on the site?

A. I tried to be.

Q And the work you did was good and safe work?

A. I tried to make it safe and follow procedures.

Q Now given your six years on the site, would you say you did hundreds, thousands of activities?

A. Yes, sir.

And of all of those activities and for all the foremen that you have worked for, your testimony is the incident of foreman override is the one you just described, is that correct?

A. Yes, sir.

about the fact that you raised some concerns in your first affidavit and then you raised some additional concerns, and I just want to make sure the record is clear on this.

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Ms. Lewis, is that correct?

A. Yes, sir.

Q Did you feel intimidated when you met with her?

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A. No, sir.

Q. Have you ever felt intimidated in any of those interviews? Have you felt intimidated in your discussions with me? Have I ever told you what to say?

A. You never told me what to say. You more or less explained to me what was going on and why you were there.

Q I'm sure you found that very helpful, didn't you?

A. Yes.

(Laughter.)

MR. MC GARRY: Your Honor, if I could just have one moment.

(Counsel conferring.)

BY MR. MC GARRY:

Q I guess just one last topic and that -- as a sort of follow up on giving your concerns.

Do you feel that Duke has been responsive when you have raised a concern? Do you feel like they have tried to go out and get an answer and come back to you and explain to you as best they can what your concern was and what the resolution was?

A. They have got back with me and told me my concerns and all. It took them a while but they eventually got back and told me.

Q Like the mail, sooner or later it gets there.

A. -- it gets there.

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Q I think that's it, Mr. Carpenter. Thank you.

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I think Mr. Johnson and the Board --

MR. JOHNSON: One second, your Honor.

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BY MR. JOHNSON:

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Q Mr. Carpenter, last evening you were talking about an incident that happened fairly recently, it was

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 $\mathbb{Q}$  Could you describe again what the sequence of events were?

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Working on the second and they come up and said We've got this work over here outside of the reactor. It is shutdown work, we've got to have it finished before we go home.

So we went over and set up -- me and Aubrey set up, run the lead and all over there and the fitters went ahead and beveled the pipe and got everything ready and fit it in position. We put the tacks on it, the tacks come out black and nasty looking. We grind the tacks back out and done it again -- we purged it first and then checked it with the analyzer and then we but the tacks in and it looked black and we cut it out and done it again and they were still black-looking.

So we went and got the foreman and got him to look at it --

And that was?

Arlon Moore.

And he come to look at it and -- I take it from looking at the Class C where it was dark and all, he figured these were the same way because it had all been hydro'd and flushed and all, so he said go ahead and weld it up.

So we went ahead and put the root in it and left about a half-inch or so at the top so we could look

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in. We called him back to get him to look at it and it was still -- I still had questions on it because it was still nasty-looking. He looked in it and said it was tied all together and all, go ahead and seal it up and finish it.

So we welded out and got Bill Burr to tell him to look at the final version.

Q. At the point that you got your foreman,
Mr. Moore, to look at -- were these the peepholes to
look at the interior?

A. To look at the root pass.

Q Did you feel that he was making a judgment as an experienced welder as to whether this was an acceptable condition?

A. I don't really know. I think he was just using that one and saying Well if that Class C was okay then this one here is the same, then it's okay.

- Q. He observed the same condition in --
- A. We got him to look at a Class C one, too.
- Q. What class was this one?

A. This was the Class G. That was outside of the reactor, it goes into the WL holding tank.

Q And the Class C weld had been approved by the QC inspector?

A. Yes, sir.

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Q And he observed this interior condition?

A. He looked at the tacks and all, but as far as looking at the whole root, no.

Q Now this Class C weld that you were referring to, did you feel that you were under any particular pressure from Arlon Moore to do any defective work?

A. I felt like that we had to get it done that night or we would have had to stay until first shift and got 'em in.

As far as him coming in and saying Go ahead and violate procedures and get it done, he never said that. He just come up and said the work has got to be done tonight, we've got to stay until it's finished.

Q You called him over and he observed this situation that you were uncomfortable about. He said Go ahead, it's okay?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. In your April 17th affidavit there is the discussion about making repairs on some bad welds and that they had been rejected by RT.

A. Yes.

Q Why were they rejectable, do you know?

A. Some of them were just butted up together and welded out, some of them were -- some of them didn't have enough metal in, suckback in them, some of them

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had too much metal and some of them looked like to where he had run a good root on half but the other half closed up and it just looked like he never took the time to take it out and re-open it and fix it.

Q Now an RT is an inspection -- a radiographic inspection that is designed in part to detect excessive penetration, is that correct?

A. I don't know, I think it just picks up porosity and slag and stuff like that that's in there.

Q Well in any case the weld had not -- the RT inspection did not reveal any excess penetration?

A. No.

Q The situation involved there was the first look at -- it wasn't looked at but you went to Llcyd Leatherwood and he determined that if it was passed by RT that it was okay to go ahead and continue --

A. Continue going down the steps.

Q Did you feel that you were under any pressure at that point from Lloyd Leatherwood?

A. No, sir.

And then when you went to Mr. Hamrick, did you feel that he was exerting production pressure when he made his decision to go ahead?

A. No, sir.

Q Did you feel free to approach Mr. Leatherwood

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and Mr. Hamrick regarding your concern?

A. I felt like -- I wasn't nervous or nothing when I went and approached them about it, I just walked up and told them about the situation and he said just go ahead -- if it didn't pick up on the RT go ahead and continue going down the steps on the paperwork.

- And the end product was a quality weld?
- A. That bad section was cut out and then it was rewelded and the X-ray showed 100 percent.
- Q Earlier on today you made a reference about the difficulty of getting inspectors -- or the inspector, in this case you referenced Mr. Burr, to come and inspect your welds when they were finished, is that correct?
  - A. Yes, sir.
- Mentioned that Ranson Sims, who I believe was an inspector, was a person you signed up for because he came quickly to do the inspections, is that correct?
- A. He was in our area down there. We had called and asked Bill to come and he was tied up at the metal fab and the intake and he couldn't come to get it so Arlon told us to go get another inspector and we went down and signed up for the other inspector and he come right then, and then we started to using him.
  - Q So Bill Burr wasn't the only inspector, welding

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QC inspector on this one, was he?

A. They brought the other inspectors in because they brought three or four more welding crews and four steel rigger crews in the reactors putting in rupture strength. But our inspector was mainly Bill Burr. And the other inspector was called up so they told us to use him. But normally we would have never used the other inspector.

MR. JOHNSON: May we have one more second, your Honor?

(Pause.)

MR. JOHNSON: Thank you very much, that's all

MR. WILSON: I just have one question, Mr. Chairman.

BY MR. WILSON:

Q Mr. Carpenter, as far as a foreman ordering craft to do work that may be in violation of your procedures, do you know of any such work on safety related systems that was not caught and repaired?

A. No, sir.

Q Thank you.

JUDGE KELLEY: I don't think I introduced Mr. Wilson. Mr. Wilson represents the State of South Carolina.

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ce-Federal Reporters, Inc. 25 JUDGE PURDOM: Does Mr. Carpenter have a copy of his affidavit there?

THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.

EXAMINATION BY THE BOARD

JUDGE PURDOM:

Q I just want to clear up something for the record; it may be a minor point, it may not be:

I believe, if I remember rightly -- and I may have misheard something yesterday that might be inconsistent with your affidavit.

Would you look at the third paragraph at the bottom and read that to yourself there a moment?

MR. GUILD: Judge, which date was that, sir?

JUDGE PURDOM: That is his -- I guess that's his principal --

MR. GUILD: There are a couple of them, just to be clear.

JUDGE PURDOM: It is the 17th of April, two page affidavit and this is the first page.

BY JUDGE PURDOM:

Q. What I am looking at is really in the middle of the paragraph and it starts off: "I think it could have cooled but I'm not really sure...," and then it says "...I could touch the weld with my

finger." Is that a correct statement?

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A. "I could touch it but I couldn't keep my hand on it."

Q I was thinking in response to a question by Mr. Guild yesterday you said it was too hot to put your hand on it.

So you say you could touch it with your finger but you couldn't --

A. You couldn't hold your hand on it. You could touch it and tell it was hot but you couldn't grab it and hold on to it because it was too hot.

Q Too hot to keep your hand on.

A. The way they told us, if you can grab it and hold on to it for a couple of seconds then you can go ahead and start welding on it. But if you touch it and you've got to move back real quick, then it is too hot to mess with.

Q So there is no inconsistency between this affidavit and what you said yesterday in response to Mr. Guild's questioning?

A. No, sir.

Q I just wanted to clear that point up.

You were working at Duke last fall -- that

is, the fall of 1983?

A. Yes, sir.

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Were you aware that the Licensing Board was holding hearings down in Rock Hill about the Catawba plant?

A. Yes, sir.

Did you know that the Licensing Board invited employees with concerns to come before it and tell what they knew?

No, sir.

-- and that they could do that in secret if they wanted to?

A. No, sir.

As a matter of fact, we did have notices published around the plant where employees could have asked us to come in secret and tell us anything of concern.

Had you known that, would you have come to us?

I don't think so.

So the only way that we get this information out of you is that somebody had to ask you directly what you knew, is that right?

Yes, sir. A.

And that is what the Duke Company did?

A. Yes, sir.

And comparatively, who is more intimidating, us or the company?

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JUDGE PURDOM: I have no further questions.

BY JUDGE FOSTER:

Mr. Carpenter, we have heard all the people that have told us that they felt that Billy Smith really acted like a bird dog sometimes when he went around the work area kind of stalking the situation and that some of the craftspeople perhaps barked like a dog or howled when he was in the vicinity.

Do you know what I am talking about?

- Yes, sir.
- What was your reaction when you would hear these alert sounds?
  - I knew who was coming when I heard the noise.
  - Okay.

Would you start doing something different?

We would usually stop what we were doing just to see what he was doing down there.

(Laughter.)

- Were you concerned that he might be coming around and looking at your work?
- Usually when he would come around he would come around to complain, he never come around to compliment anybody. He just wanted to complain about something.

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He was mainly complaining about something rather than looking over your shoulder on how you were working?

Yes, sir.

Okay. You didn't have a feeling that he was there pressuring you or to see that you were doing a good job or anything like that?

A. I felt nervous when he come around. But as far as him coming around saying I want you to do that now and I am going to sit here and watch you until you get it done, no.

JUDGE FOSTER: That's all the questions I have.

JUDGE KELLEY: I don't have any questions.

Mr. Guild, do y a have any more?

MR. GUILD: No.

Mr. Carpenter, thank you very much for coming back. I appreciate your second trip.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Carpenter, thank you very much. We do appreciate your coming, coming twice in your case. You have been a very straightforward witness I feel and we really appreciate it very much. You are excused.

(Witness excused.)

JUDGE KELLEY: Off the record.

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(Discussion off the record.)

JUDGE KELLEY: Back on the record.

Let me just ask counsel: is the next gentleman ready?

MR. GUILD: Yes, we can send for him.

JUDGE KELLEY: I wonder if we shouldn't explain and clear the room first.

MR. GUILD: Yes.

JUDGE KELLEY: Ladies and gentlemen, this gets a little bit awkward but we have a procedure whereby the employee witnesses can have a choice between being public or being in camera as we call it, so since they were initially promised that treatment, until otherwise told, we start out with a closed door. And I am going

And I am going to have to ask those in the back who have not signed affidavits of confidentiality -- which I think is probably most of you or several of you -- to go back out in the hall. We are just going to have them close the door until we find out what the next witness wants to do. So if you wouldn't mind.

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JUDGE KELLEY: Are you ready, Mr. Guild?

MR. GUILD: Yes. Mr. Davison is next.

JUDGE KELLEY: I think you know the folks around

the table.

Whereupon,

## LARRY DAVISON

was recalled as a witness on behalf of the Intervenors, Palmetto Alliance, and having been previously duly sworn, was further examined and testified as follows:

## DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. GUILD:

First of all, you are the Quality Assurance Manager for the Catawba facility, aren't you?

I am the Project Quality Assurance Manager at Catawba, yes.

I think the record previously reflects that you have been in that position for some years now and prior to that you were Project QA Engineer at Catawba, principally responsible for the QC inspection function?

Yes. I have had varying positions at Catawba for A a long period of time. I was the Senior Quality Control Engineer there. I did leave the plant for about a year and a half to take a position of Projects QA Manager in Charlotte.

Then I returned to Catawba in 1982, I believe, as

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Project Quality Assurance Manager.

- Q And you have been in that position until today?
- A That's correct.
- Q Now are you familiar with the results of the investigation conducted by DukePower Company into concerns identified by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission? I am paraphrasing. It is an August 3rd, 1984 document, essnetially reflecting an investigation of concerns raised by Welder B and associated issues, including foreman override?
  - A Yes, sir, I am.
  - Q Have you read that report?
  - A Yes, I have.
- Q Are you familiar with the associated inspection reports and review by the Region II office of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission regarding that investigation?
  - A Yes, I am.
- Q And the associated Notice of Violation reflecting a violation of Criterion 2, Appendix B to Part 50 10 CFR?
  - A Yes, sir.
- Q That violation, to paraphrase, Mr. Davison, is in evidence. It reflects that the Quality Assurance Program at Catawba had failed to adequately provide for the review of its adequacy required in Criterion 2, in that the practices reflected in the investigation of the foreman override concerns, practice involving some 12 or 13 supervisors,

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including the welding superintendent, the welding general foreman, the welding foreman and another -- a number of other supervisors and other crews and crafts had not been effectively detected and been the subject of corrective action.

Are you aware generally of that conclusion by the NRC?

MR. MC GARRY: Object to that question.

I don't think that question is reflective of the facts in this proceeding.

MR. GUILD: I think it is a fair statement, but I will be happy to rephrase the question. I want to move along.

BY MR. GUILD:

Q Mr. Davison, the testimony of the NRC reflects that they issued a Notice of Violation.

Have you read that Notice of Violation?

- A Yes, I have read the Notice of Violation.
- Q Your program at Catawba failed to detect those problems, problems associated with 12 or 13 supervisors who were involved in permitting an atmosphere to develop where craftsmen perceived that they were expected to sacrifice quality, quality assurance procedures to make production schedules.

My question to you, Mr. Davison, as the Site

Quality Assurance Manager, the person responsible for seeing

that those kinds of things are identified in a timely fashion

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and corrected -- my question for you is, how did that happen, Mr. Davison?

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What was wrong with the Quality Assurance system at Catawba that allowed those violations to develop?

If you look at the Notice of Violation, I believe it talks about the management review of the processes that are going on. As a matter of fact, I would like to see a copy of the Violation.

> I would be happy to show you one. MR. MC GARRY: I have got one. (Document handed to witness.) BY MR. GUILD:

- Do you have that in front of you now?
- Yes, I do. A

It states in part that the Applicant shall regularly review the status and adequacy of the Quality Assurance Program. And that management of other organizations participating in the Quality Assurance Program shall regularly review the status and adequacy of part of the Quality Assurance Program which they are executing.

Now I understand that Violation to mean, of course, the Construction Department at the Catawba site is part of the Quality Assurance Program. The workers at the Catawba site are part of that, and their management and their supervision are part of that. And to have a situation where

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some workers could have felt or perceived pressure from their foremen to violate procedures is the basis of the violation. And that the department responsible for supervision of those workers is the part of the Quality Assurance Program that is involved in this Violation.

- Q Does that complete your answer?
- A Yes.
- Q I want to show you a document, Mr. Davison. I believe you mee the author of the document. It is August 2, 1984 Memo to File.

(Documented shown to witness.)

It is some two pages.

Can you identify that, sir?

- A Yes, I can.
- Q All right. I will share it with you since it is probably the only copy we can get within the next half hour.

Now the principal violation -- the principal factual condition that is the base for the NRC Violation involved a welding crew under a foreman named Arlon Moore, who reported to a general foreman named Billy Smith in the Welding Department.

Do you understand that?

- A I understand that to be the case, yes.
- Q Mr. Moore's crew during the time in question prinicipally worked on the second or back shift, the night

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shift at the plant, correct?

A I don't have any direct knowledge of that. I understand from what I have heard, that is the case.

Q Well, the back shift, as the evidence reflects, is where Mr.Moore's crew worked. And on that shift, principally, there was one quality control inspector who was responsible for performing the entire quality control function on that back shift, Mr. Bill Burr.

Mr. Burr was required to perform visual inspections on call, fitup and final visual. And also be required to be the sole inspector who performed all of the random inspections that were to be done on that shift, including inspections to detect violations of, for example, interpass temperature controls.

Is that correct?

A That's a very long question.

No, it is not correct. Mr. Burr was assigned to the second shift, and has been assigned to the second shift for some period of time. There are other inspectors that are periodically assigned to the second shift.

To characterize him as the sole inspector on the second shift would not be an accurate statement at all, in my opinion.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Guild, I wanted to note that you asked for five minutes. Seven have expired.

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We said we would adhere strictly to the initial allegation.

MR. GUILD: That's correct.

JUDGE KELLEY: Go ahead.

BY MR. GUILD:

Q Does this memo reflect your view after the results of the investigation were over and your conclusion that there was no necessity for adding any additional QC inspection staff in order to remedy the problems that had gone undetected on the second shift?

A I don't agree with the way you phrased the question.

Let me give you my answer and see if that answers it.

Q Please.

A This memo, along with the attached memo which I referenced in my notes --

Q Mr. Goodman's memo?

A Mr. Goodman's memo.

-- represent the work that I did based on

Mr. Burr's affidavit and discussions with him, and his

discussion about the manning level of inspectors in his time

on the second shift. And part of that, of course -- in

Mr. Goodman's memo, I asked him to look into that situation,

to look into all the factors to see if anything needs to be

changed in that area, is there anything that we needed to do.

And I believe he describes that in his memo. He

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describes what our past practice has been and what currently it is now.

Q You made no change in the staffing of the second shift, did you?

A Not as a direct result of this Violation or this investigation.

Now we did increase some emphasis to the people who were on the second shift about their need to be aware of the performance of what we call random inspections.

It is really a situation where we allow the inspector -- and we tell them we want to do this -- to selectively monitor work in any area that he may be involved in. He can do that as he is doing a regular inspection; he maybe can do that on the way to an inspection, on the way back from an inspection. If he has free time, then that certainly is an appropriate way to spend that free time.

It is up to his judgment to determine where he may need to do that more. As a matter of fact, the purpose of that inspection is to allow him to establish confidence that the procedures are being carried out and are followed, those points that we may not have 100 percent inspection on.

So what we did as a result to this is to emphasize to the people on second shift that that is something they need to consciously think about, be aware of, be satisfied with what they are doing.

1 mm9 JUDGE KELLEY: Thank you. Mr. Guild's time is up. 2 We are going to see if anybody else has questions. 3 MR. GUILD: We ask that this document be identified. 4 It's 2 pages, Mr. Davison has identified the first -- excuse 5 me, it is 3 pages. He identified the first two. The third 6 page is the attachment, Mr. Goodman's memo. 7 We will submit a copy for the record. 8 JUDGE KELLEY: Are you introducing it in evidence? 9 MR. GUILD: Yes, sir. 10 JUDGE KELLEY: Do you have a number? 11 MR. GUILD: Let's assign it a number. 12 JUDGE KELLEY: All right, 151. 13 MR. GUILD: We can makr it as Palmetto 151 and ask 14 that it be received. 15 (The document was marked Palmetto XXX 16 Exhibit No. 151 for identifica-17 tion.) JUDGE KELLEY: Any objection? 19 (No response) 20 JUDGE KELLEY: It will be marked and received. (Palmetto Exhibit No. 151 was 22 received in evidence.) 23 JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. McGarry, any questions? 24 MR. MC GARRY: One second, your Honor, please.

(Counsel for Applicant conferring.)

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MR. MC GARRY: Your Honor, I guess what is before the house now is whether or not we have any questions for Mr. Davison.

JUDGE KELLEY: Yes.

MR. MC GARRY: We would like to reserve on the document, because we would like to read it. We don't think we will have any objection to it, whatsoever.

JUDGE KELLEY: All right.

MR. MC GARRY: I would say this. We have no cross-examination questions for Mr. Davison. We have one rebuttal question, and we can wait until the end. But since he is on it would be very helpful to a question that you asked about five minutes ago, ten minutes ago.

JUDGE KELLEY: It would just be out of order, is that the point?

MR. MC GARRY: That's right.

JUDGE KELLEY: Is there something you wish to do now?

Do you have any problem with that?

MR. GUILD: I don't have any problem doing that, as long as I have an opportunity to conduct a rebuttal examination of the witness as well.

JUDGE KELLEY: On that question, if it relates to the same point, is that what you mean?

MR. GUILD: Yes.

JUDGE KELLEY: Do you want to do it now, Mr. McGarry?

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MR. MC GARRY: Yes.

REBUTTAL DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. MC GARRY:

Q Mr. Davison, a previous witness mentioned the following factual situation:

He was a welder and his foreman came up to him with what appeared to be an NCI resolution package and told him to go to an out-of-the-way location for a weld which had a red tag on it, where it was located, and told him to remove the red tag.

Was there anything improper with that action?

A Not necessarily. The NCI form has a place to indicate who's assigned that action. If he'd been assigned that action, that's a proper thing for him to do.

Q In other words, the NCI has a provision that craft could remove a red tag?

A Yes, that's not an uncommon situation.

MR. MC GARRY: Thank you.

JUDGE KELLEY: Anything, Mr. Guild, further on that?

REBUTTAL CROSS-EXAMINATION

BY MR. GUILD:

Q If that craftsman were not the designated person who was responsible for clearing the NCI and his forman told him to clear the NCI, to remove the red tag and put it in his pocket, that would be a violation of the QA procedure,

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wouldn't it, Mr. Davison?

A If the action had not been assigned to that area or that crew, yes it could be improper. But, if it has been assigned to that area or that crew, that general foreman, that foreman, then that would not be improper.

Q Are you saying that it has to be assigned to that general foreman and anybody under -- 100 welders under that general foreman --

A For example, it may say for the craft, that action be assigned assigned to the craft. Then in that it wouldn't necessarily be improper for any craftsman to remove it.

It may be assigned to a particular crew or a particular craft to remove it, in which case then that craft is the party that should do it.

MR. GUILD: Okay.

MR. JOHNSON: I have one followup question on that.

BY MR. JOHNSON:

Q Before the NCI form, the question would go back to the vault, the QA vault, would it be reviewed in a final manner, some kind of final QA checkoff or approval subsequent to the time that it would be signed by the person who is removing the red tag?

A Yes, it would.

MR. JOHNSON: Thank you.

JUDGE KELLEY: Do you have any cross apart from

1 mm13 rebuttal? 2 MR. JOHNSON: No cross examination, thank you. 3 JUDGE PURDOM: No questions. JUDGE FOSTER: No questions. 5 JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Davison, thank you very much 6 for coming back. 7 (Witness excused.) 8 JUDGE KELLEY: Any objection to that exhibit? 9 MR. CARR: No, sir. 10 Was it both memos? 11 MR. GUILD: Yes. 12 JUDGE KELLEY: Fine. 13 MR. GUILD: Mr. Chairman, now is the time? 14 JUDGE KELLEY: Yes. 15 MR. GUILD: We call Howard Samuel Nunn to the stand, 16 please. 17 MR. MC GARRY: Your Honor, we would object to the 18 calling of Mr. Nunn for several reasons. 19 JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. McGarry has an objection. Okay 20 MR. MC GARRY: Yes. On three grounds. 21 The most important ground is, Mr. Nunn appeared 22 before in this case. He was given an opportunity to share all 23 his concerns. Last November when we took his testimony in 24 the special procedure that the Board had set up, I specifically Ace-Federal Reporters,

asked him the question: We wanted to make sure we have all

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of your concerns -- this was on page 208, I believe, of the in-camera transcript.

And it was indicated then that we had all of Mr. Nunn's concerns except for an affidavit that Ms. Garde was working on. Then we got into a big discussion about when that affidavit would come in. It eventually came in.

So, all of Mr. Nunn's concerns were given to this Board in that transcript, in that affidavit.

We subsequently closely scrutinized each one of those concerns, made arguments whether they should be in or out, and this Board took the appropriate action.

We have heard from Mr. Nunn. We addressed numerous concerns of Mr. Nunn's.

Therefore, we think it is inappropriate for this gentleman to retake the stand to now share further concerns.

A related point. This Board has already ruled that -- made a ruling at one point in time, that two QA inspectors need not come to this proceeding because you had heard from them, and why do we have to further prolong the process and further burden the record.

Lastly, if we look at Mr. Nunn's proposed testimony, what I suspect it would be, it is the affidavit that was submitted in this proceeding several weeks ago.

What Mr. Nunn has done is said, he has just made up an index, a laundry list of the concerns that were raised

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in that report and the affidavits and said, "me too, me too, me too." If that isn't classic cumulative testimony, I don't know what it is.

The hour is late, I think the Board should say, "Thank you, Mr. Nunn, we don't need to hear from you," adjourn and come back for rebuttal.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Johnson?

MR. JOHNSON: One second, please.

(Staff counsel conferring.)

I think we would join the Applicant in their position about the testimony of Mr. Nunn, based on the affidavit that was submitted that he signed, that had been submitted on September 17th by Palmetto Alliance regarding further proceeding in this case, in that Mr. Nunn's affidavit does not contain anything new, specifically concerning foreman override.

Secondly, as everybody knows, he was the originator of the foreman override issue way back last fall, and he gave his concerns, as Mr. McGarry said. He stated, we think fairly clearly, that he gave us all his concerns. And I think we don't have to hear from him.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Guild?

MR. GUILD: Mr. Chairman, I rather astounded, to tell you the truth. We have heard from many people on many different subjects. I would think that the licensing process

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would roll out the red carpet for Howard Samuel Nunn. At this point, even Duke Power Company would be a little bit ashamed of the prospect of, after the last months' worth of work on an issue, that their own Quality Assurance Program didn't identify, it had to be brought to their attention by their own former employee, that they wouldn't at least have the courtesy to hear Mr. Nunn on this subject at this time.

It seems to me that the notion that it is inappropriate because he has previously testified has no basis in law or logic. If a man has relevant evidence to offer, the fact that he has been a previous witness is no bar to that. The panel of 15 that was sitting across the room the other day included a large number of people we had already heard from on a varilty of subjects that obviously relate to the issue at hand; that is the safe operation of the Catawba facility, specifically foreman override.

We think that the canard that any facts that support our concerns about the extensiveness of foreman override would be cumulative and therefore not properly considered, simply turns the burden that has been cast in front of us on its head. The burden in our lap is to show that the pattern is pervasive and to show that Duke's and the Staff's conclusion to the contrary are unsupported. That their view that it is a narrow and isolated incident just doesn't square with reality.

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Mr. Nunn's knowledge and testimony is offered to support our position that the Applicant and Staff investigations are inadequate, and don't stand for the proposition advanced.

As to the last point I heard Mr. McGarry make, and that was that his concerns ticked off a laundry list, he, indeed in his affidavit, states his basis for -- on the face of the August 3rd report -- finding serious question with his validity.

I think the record right now reflects that his judgment, based on reading that reading that report, squaring with his personal knowedge, is very well founded. That report certainly is judgmental, that report certainly fails to square with even the evidence that it discloses.

Our time is short, the scope of his examination has already been limited to ten minutes. In that period of time, this party is charged with focusing Mr. Nunn's testimony as best we can. So it is hardly a threat that Mr. Nunn is going to go ranging over the landscape in a way that burdens the record.

I think the Board should, with all due respect, be anxious to hear what Sam Nunn has to say on the subject.

JUDGE KELLEY: I think you answered the objection that Mr. Nunn was asked to point out all his concerns in full, and said he did.

MR. GUILD: He raised a concern about foreman

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override.

JUDGE KELLEY: Yes, he did.

MR. GUILD: The Staff ignored it.

MR. JOHNSON: I take exception to that statement. We certainly didn't ignore.

MR. GUILD: The Staff ignored it. Staff waved its hands on the issue.

JUDGE KELLEY: How about my question, Mr. Guild.

The man said last fall, that's all I've got, folks. Now you are back here and he's got some new stuff.

MR. GUILD: No, sir.

JUDGE KELLEY: I hope it is new.

MR. GUILD: Facts, Judge. It is facts.

JUDGE KELLEY: Why weren't the facts put out on the table last fall when we asked about them?

MR. GUILD: Judge, why weren't the facts put out on the table by Mr. Grier last fall? Why weren't the facts put out on the table by Llewellyn, last fall?

JUDGE KELLEY: Please answer my question, Mr. Guild. Have you got an answer for us?

MR. GUILD: Yes. The man has facts -- he answered questions --

JUDGE KELLEY: They are new concerns.

MR. GUILD: No, they are not concerns, Judge, they are facts. They are facts that bear on the decision that you

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are to reach on the basis of foreman override at Catawba.

Those facts are reflected in the form that they are now before the house in an affidavit. You know what they are, it is in front of you, it was in front of McGarry, it was in front of Mr. Johnson. They know what it says.

In addition, there is a specific focus, a narrow question that we put to -- based on questioning of the NRC Staff, it focuses on the adequacy or inadequacy of the NRC Staff's investigation of this matter. Those are facts that postdate his testimony from last fall, since they bear on whether the Staff did an adequate job of following the leads and using Mr. Nunn's information.

JUDGE KELLEY: Okay, we will consider this.
(Board conferring)

The Board thinks there is some merit to some of the objections that have been made. Nevertheless, we do appreciate Mr. Nunn's coming forward in the first place. He has been helpful to us. We did say we would allot ten minutes for this purpose, and that is what we are going to do.

So, we will proceed on that basis.

We are expecting, however, for you to keep it to ten minutes. If you have more after that it is going to be after eight when we get out to eat supper as it is.

MR. GUILD: Yes, sir, I understand that.

mm 20 1 Whereupon, 2 HOWARD SAMUEL NUNN, JR. 3 was recalled as a witness on behalf of the Intervenors, Palmetto Alliance, and having been previously duly sworn, 5 was further examined and testified as follows: 6 DIRECT EXAMINATION 7 BY MR. GUILD: 8 Mr. Nunn, would you state your full name for the record, please? 10 Howard Samuel Nunn, Jr. 11 MR. GUILD: Mr. Nunn has been previously sworn, 12 Mr. Chairman. 13 JUDGE KELLEY: Correct. 14 BY MR. GUILD: 15 Mr. Nunn, you were formely employed as a welder at 16 the Catawba Nuclear Station? 17 That's correct. A 18 And what do you do now for work, sir? 19 I am a nuclear power welder. 20 All right, sir. 0 21 Now you have been present during the testimony, almost 22 all of it during the last several days since the Board has 23 conducted these reopened hearings, have you not?

I have.

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Q And you have, I believe, reviewed the Duke Power

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Company August 3, 1984 report of their investigation of the issue of foreman override, have you not?

Yes, sir, I have.

And as a signatory to an Affidavit of Confidentiality under the protective order, you have reviewed the affidavits of some 217-plus Catawba employees who were interviewed as a result of the Duke investigation, haven't you?

I have.

All right, sir.

Now I want to ask in a moment for you to express an opinion on that basis, but ask a narrower fact question first.

Do you know a man named Mike McKelvey?

Yes, sir, I do. A

Could you identify Mr. McKelvey for us, please?

Mr. McKelvey was a welder on Arlon Moore's crew, when I was also a welder on Arlon Moore's crew.

Have you had occasion to have a conversation with Q Mr. McKelvey on your present job?

Yes, sir, I have.

And what did Mr. McKelvey have to say to you?

Mr. Guild, there were actually three conversations. A

Do you want me to --

Why don't you -- I want you to relate the conversations that bear on the subject that this Board has under consideration,

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Mr. McKelvey approached me in my second week --MR. MC GARRY: I guess we will note an objection. Hearsay is the basis for our objection.

I know that the administrative process recognizes some forms of hearsay, but this is clearly, I think, the type of hearsay that the administrative process doesn't recognize. So, we object to it on that grounds.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Guild?

MR. GUILD: Mr. Chairman, we think first the facts that are communicated are communicated recognizing that they are, in fact, hearsay as defined. They come from a person who is not physically present, offering testimony. They are what someone else has heard.

They are important because they bear on the facts that are at issue in the foreman override investigation as substantive evidence.

The Board should weigh the probative value of that evidence given the source and the chain of its transmission. I think the Board is capable of doing that.

But in addition, the evidence is offered beyond the purpose of proving the truthfulness of its content, because the subsequent question will focus on Mr. Nunn's communication of that information to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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So, I would submit that both as substantive

evidence, even in light of even considering its source,

but also for purposes of evidence to show the scope of

information in the possessions of the Nuclear Regulatory

Commission, and thereby the inadequacy of the NRC Staff's

investigation of the issue.

It is appropriate to be consider ed.

(Board conferring)

JUDGE KELLEY: We are going to overrule the hearsay

objection.

It is hearsay, as Mr. Guild pointed out, but for

the purpose of who said what, other than the truth of the

matter, it gets before us. Beyond that, as we said, we have

a great big stack of affidavits in this case. They are all

hearsay. They are all in the case to prove the facts asserted

therein. We let them in in part because we are concered about

whether or not there is a pattern or widespread pattern in

this case of so-called foreman override.

Any one single incident is not all that crucial is

the way we see it. Therefore, we are going to allow it.

Go ahead.

BY MR. GUILD:

Q The question that was pending, Mr. Nunn was, had

you had a conversation?

You said you had.

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I asked you to relate the conversation as it bears on the issue of foreman override.

Yes, sir.

Mr. McKelvey approached me on either March 2nd or March 9th, which was a Friday -- both these days were Fridays. I was in the test shop at my new job location. Mr.McKelvey told me that he had been subpoenaed to the NRC Office -- his word was subpoenaed -- there on the job site by Mr. Bruno Uryc.

I asked him to disclose to me what had gone on, or what had been said, what had been asked of him. This had to do with the Welder B issue. Mr. McKelvey confessed to me that he had been the person n Arlon Moore's crew who had made more illegal repairs than anyone else. I think Mr. McKelvey's name has been referred to today several times by other witnesses in their affidavits.

What was very interesting to me was that he brought up an offer of cash money out of pocket fromMr. Billy Smith to make a particular repair one night, which he said he passed this information along to Mr. Uryc. In fact, all of this information that I am giving you, he told me he told Mr. Uryc.

He said that his brother in law and individual number 167 that we have had, painted Mr. Bill Rogers -who is the welding superintendent's -- car. And the favoritism that was given to him for doing this was not to put him on night shift when his turn came around.

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There were just many incidents there of illegal repairs being made, that supposedly Mr. McKelvey reported to Mr. Uryc.

Mr. Nunn, what is an illegal repair? How do you understand that term? Help the Board by telling them what it is.

A Mr. McKelvey told me of so many different kinds, I just can't pin it down. As best I could gather, this would be a weld that noticeably would not shoot, and that anybody with knowledge of welds would note that this weld would not shoot, even though a welder had maybe finished it on the day shift.

So, Mr. McKelvey was encroached upon by Mr. Smith and by Mr. Moore to, that night, without anyone's knowledge, to go ahead and examine this weld, cut out parts of it, redo them before the X-ray Department got to them, without putting his stencil number on it, without entering any filler material.

This is all very illegal.

Mr. McKelvey related to you that he had met with Mr. Uryc of the NRC Staff and that he had communicated this information to Mr. Uryc, correct?

Yes, sir, that's right.

Did he relate that he met with Mr. Uryc on more than one occasion?

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A Yes, sir. He came back to me -- I am going to put it in the timeframe of mid to late April. At this time I had already passed my test down there and was in the pipe fab shop. He walked up to me, started smiling I said, Mike, have you seen our friend lately?

He said, yes, as a matter of fact, I am supposed to meet with him tonight.

I said, just you and he?

He said, no, he, another NRC official and some -I believe he said five to seven members of Duke Power
officialdom.

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I inquired as to what the meeting was to be about. He said Duke wants to rehire me as a welding engineer. I said To do what? He said To write some procedures to cover the illegal repairs that I made when I was on Arlon Moore's crew. I found this pretty incredible to believe.

- Q Mr. Nunn, did you communicate that information to Mr. Uryc?
  - A. Yes, sir, I did.

This was addressed in my affidavit on page nine: "On or about June 24th I called Bruno Uryc...," et cetera, et cetera.

- Q. And what did you say to Mr. Uryc?
- A. I said Bruno, I know about the interview with McKelvey, I am going to lay all the cards on the table and I don't want to play any more games. And when I mentioned here that Mr. Uryc would not give me a straight answer, he would neither deny or confirm that he had talked to Mr. McKelvey.
  - Q. All right.

Let's turn from that subject -- Your time is limited, Mr. Nunn, so we are going to have to move to the bottom line.

You have reviewed the documents that have been made available to Palmetto Alliance by Duke Power

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Company and NRC Staff, and the record reflects that you for a time worked for Arlon Moore, correct?

A. Yes, I did.

And I think the record reflects that you have expressed the opinion that you thought Arlon Moore was a good supervisor during the time that you were under him, correct?

Yes, sir, I did.

And that time was a time when he was not supervised himself by Billy Smith, the general foreman?

Right when I first came on his crew, which was about Christmas, Mr. Smith would still have been his supervisor, but shortly thereafter in January Mr. J.R. Wilson became his supervisor.

Now you had an opportunity to work for other foremen under Billy Smith?

Yes, I did. A.

And which foremen were those, please? Would you identify them?

Larry Rudisill was under Mr. Smith, Bobby Hoyle was under Mr. Smith, Henry Best was under Mr. Smith, of course Arlan Moore and -- I can cut it off there.

And did you observe those other foreman influenced by pressure on the part of Billy Smith?

A. Yes, I certainly did.

Q Now Duke Power Company and the NRC Staff reached a conclusion, Mr. Nunn, and I will paraphrase it this way:

Their conclusion, as a result of the investigation they conducted was that foreman override -- or the practices we have come to understand as foreman override, were limited to a single welding crew under Arlon Moore and a single general foreman under Billy

Smith.

Now have you had an opportunity based on the information available to you, from your knowledge, having worked for those two individuals, to form an opinion as to whether or not that conclusion is a valid one?

- A. I would say it is invalid.
- Q Would you please provide the Board and the parties an explanation of the basis for that conclusion, please?
- A. I think much of this has alrady been covered, your Honors, in testimony -- not mine -- that has been given this week:

The barking and howling that went on with Mr. Smith; this didn't happen on night shift, this happened on day shift.

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I may or may not have testified to this before but there was a complete sit-down one morning by all of Mr. Smith's crews and their members because Mr. Smith had demanded that we have rods and be at our work area by the time that the whistle blew. And it just boiled down to a point of a complete sit-down one morning.

Now I can't resolve the connection between Mr. W.E. Rogers, the welding superintendent, and Mr. Smith saying that Mr. Rogers did not know what was going on because Mr. Rogers himself was out there that morning pacing up and down just like Mr. Smith was, like they would just love to fire us but really there was nothing they could do until 7:30, until 7:30 that was our time.

It seemed to me that almost all of the crews under Billy Smith, there was some sort of pressure applied to the foremen that would cause the foremen perhaps to turn around and apply pressure to all the workers to complete schedules ahead of time and to cut corners --

JUDGE KELLEY: Maybe I could just ask you, Mr. Nunn: Can you relate a specific instance of foreman override -- we have heard some in the course of testimony and you have been here I think all along -- involving a foreman other than Arlon Moore?

THE WITNESS: One that you have already ruled

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did not have any significance --

JUDGE KELLEY: I mean something new, something we haven't heard?

THE WITNESS: No, I really haven't heard of anything new, any specific incident, no, sir. I'm sorry.

BY MR. GUILD:

Q Is it your opinion, Mr. Nunn, based on the evidence that you have seen that foreman override, as you have experienced it under I believe Larry Rudisill -- that was your testimony earlier, correct?

A. That's right.

Q -- and other foreman that you have worked for as well?

A. Henry Best.

-- and Henry Best and the evidence we have seen of Mr. Moore, of course; on that basis, is it your opinion that foreman override extended beyond Mr. Moore's crew to other welding crews and beyond other welding crews into other crafts at the Catawba site?

A. In answer to "beyond Mr. Moore 3 welding crew," absolutely. I would say that any crew that has ever worked under Billy Smith was subjected to some sort of pressure.

Now some foremen would not succumb to this pressure. There were some foremen that could not be bent --

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and I call these the good guys; there were very few of those.

The others that I observed did in fact apply pressure -- it was mentioned earlier today by one of our witnesses that a particular foreman just seemed to run 'round and 'round when Mr. Smith would get on his back.

This happened to be -- I believe I can mention his name -- Mr. Tim Hollingsworth. He happened to be the foreman who forced Mr. Buck Henry to -- as it was related to me -- to use the wrong size welding rod. And of course that is already part of your partial initial decision.

JUDGE KELLEY: Thank you, Mr. Nunn. The time has expired, Mr. Guild.

BY MR. GUILD:

Q Mr. Nunn --

JUDGE KELLEY: The time has expired, Mr. Guild. Let's move on to the rest of the questions. We said we would stick to the limit and we intend to.

Mr. McGarry?

MR. MC GARRY: No questions.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Johnson?

MR. JOHNSON: No questions.

JUDGE KELLEY: Judge Purdom?

JUDGE PURDOM: No questions.

JUDGE KELLEY: Judge Foster?

JUDGE FOSTER: No questions.

JUDGE KELLEY: Thank you, Mr. Nunn.

JUDGE KELLEY: We will now take a break until

THE WITNESS: Thank you very much.

(The witness excused.)

9:00, I guess. It is five of 8:00.

p.m., this same day.)

(Whereupon, at 7:55 p.m., the hearing in the

above-entitled matter was recessed, to reconvene at 9:00

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## EVENING SESSION

(9:12 p.m.)

JUDGE KELLEY: We will go back on the record.

We are back now for this evening session. The hour obviously is late, I think all the participants are tired and the reporters have had much worse hours than we have in the past few days, they are all extremely tired, they are ready to go to sleep. They haven't had enough people here, which is unfortunate, but they have stuck with us.

This is all to say we would like to get to the business at hand and finish it up as soon as we can. The Board is aware of one rebuttal witness put forward by the Applicants. We are not aware of other rebuttal cases.

Mr. McGarry?

MR. MC GARRY: Yes, your Honor. We have two rebuttal witnesses: the first rebuttal witness would be Mr. Leroy Bolin, who was have one question for, and, Dr. John Hunter.

JUDGE KELLEY: Does Staff have rebuttal?

MR. JOHNSON: No, sir.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Guild?

MR. GUILD: We object to the testimony of Dr. Hunter; I don't know what Mr. Bolin's rebuttal

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testimony consists of.

But we object to the testimony of Dr. Hunter.

We have been given it some time late this afternoon. I

have only had the dinner hour to wolf down a meal and

briefly skim Dr. Hunter's testimony. It is fundamentally

unfair to put this party to the task of dealing with a

witness whose testimony is presented in such a late

fashion.

We would note -- You have already heard our argument with respect to the tardiness of the identification of the testimony and the record should reflect that this counsel has been engaged in an actual hearing up until the dinner recess and had only the dinner recess to review the testimony.

As previously noted, our expert, Dr. Michalowski had a prior professional engagement that prevented his attendance. We are unable to fairly join the testimony that is proposed to be presented.

Again, we ask that we be given sufficient coportunity to prepare and have an expert available to assist in examination of the proposed expert testimony of the Applicants and, further, that we be given an opportunity to present surrebuttal testimony from Dr. Michalowski or another expert with respect to this subject.

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JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Johnson, any further comment? MR. JOHNSON: I think I expressed myself earlier.

MR. JOHNSON: I have only one thing and that is in the ordinary course of events rebuttal testimony is ordinarily I think not prepared in advance and the fact that it is true, obviously, Mr. Guild got it with a minimal time to prepare; however, he has an advantage of some sort, it seems to me, to know in advance what the rebuttal testimony would be. But I would concede that he is operating under some disadvantage.

JUDGE KELLEY: All right.

MR. GUILD: Mr. Chairman, the NRC would scream if they were forced to put up a response to expert testimony -- or any testimony from another party, as they have in the past in this proceeding. It is totally unfair that the Intervenors are only burdened by such a practice.

JUDGE KELLEY: We did have argument on the table on this point to some extent. I think I suggested we might defer -- this is a recollection but I am trying to remember it, and my recollection is that I could envision an objection perhaps if the witness went outside the scope of what Dr. Michalowski covered. But of couse we don't know that until he takes the stand or until at least we have gone over the testimony. So that

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was what I had in mind in terms of deferral.

In terms of the kind of notice that you had, the general arguments we have already heard, I think we heard this morning, and we did rule that we would hear it over your objection. So I think at this point we should proceed.

MR. MC GARRY: Thank you.

We would call Mr. Bolin for the one question first.

JUDGE KELLEY: All right.

MR. MC GARRY: Mr. Bolin has previously been sworn, he was on the first Applicants' panel.

JUDGE KELLEY: Right.

Whereupon,

### LEROY BOLIN

was recalled as a witness and, having been previously duly sworn, was examined and testified further as follows.

## DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. MC GARRY:

Q. Mr. Bolin, you were in the room, were you not, when (NAME DELETED; Individual 31) testified?

A. Yes, sir.

Q Did you hear (NAME DELETED; Individual 31) say that when you interviewed him you told him that you didn't want to hear anything about harassment?

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A. Yes, sir. Is that a true statement? 3 No, sir. MR. MC GARRY: No further questions. 5 JUDGE KELLEY: Questions, Mr. Guild? 6 CROSS-EXAMINATION 7 BY MR. GUILD: 8 Mr. Bolin, what was said by you --9 (Counsel conferring.) 10 MR. GUILD: I have been informed that the name 11 of the individual that was put to the witness was 12 inappropriately the subject of an open session of the 13 hearing. Counsel for the Applicant revealed a confidence 14 on the open record. 15 JUDGE KELLEY: Are you saying we need to close? 16 MR. GUILD: I am saying you need to close the 17 record and --18 MR. MC GARRY: I would like the record to be 19 expunged, that portion, and put a number. 20 JUDGE KELLEY: If we substitute a number, can 21 we --22 MR. MC GARRY: I apologize to the record and 23 to the Board. 24 It would be Individual 31.

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- A. No, sir, it did not.
- Q By a word or by words to that effect?
- A. No, sir.
- You didn't raise the subject?
- A. No, sir.

Q Did you make the comment attributed to you about Duke Power Company -- the hour is late, Mr. Bolin, you heard the testimony -- the characterization of the company --

MR. MC GARRY: I will object to the question as beyond the scope.

JUDGE KELLEY: It appears to be. Mr. Guild.

MR. GUILD: Mr. Chairman, I simply don't think I should be forced to take the witness' first statement at face value. It seems to me I should have some opportunity to probe the witness' testimony.

JUDGE KELLEY: Just sort of in general or -- Mr. McGarry asked a rather specific point.

MR. GUILD: Yes and I am trying to reach that point.

JUDGE KELLEY: Why don't you stick to the point?

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MR. GUILD: Generally speaking, a hostile witness is the subject of some level of questions that are not simply conclusory in nature --

JUDGE KELLEY: I am sustaining the objection because it has got nothing to do with Mr. McGarry's questioning before the house on rebuttal.

BY MR. GUILD:

- Q Were there any concerns or statements made by the individual in question, Mr. Bolin, that are not included in your version of this affidavit?
- A. The concerns that he expressed is included in the affidavit.
  - Q That is not my question, sir.

Were there any statements made by the individual that are not included in this affidavit?

- A. No, sir.
- Q You have everything he said to you stated in that affidavit?
  - A. Yes, sir.
- Q Did he communicate to you that he had things he wanted you to hear that you were not listening to?
  - A. No, sir, he did not.

MR. GUILD: That's all.

JUDGE KELLY: Thank you.

Mr. Johnson?

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MR. JOHNSON: No questions.

JUDGE KELLEY: Okay.

You are excused, sir. Thank you.

(The witness excused.)

MR. CARR: Your Honor, at this time I call

to the stand Dr. Johnny Hunter and ask that he be sworn.

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JUDGE KELLEY: Dr. Hunter, good evening.
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# DR. JOHN E. HUNTER

was called as a witness on behalf of Applicants, and having been first duly sworn, was examined and testified as follows:

MR. CARR: Your Honor, Dr. Hunter's testimony was distributed earlier today. Last night we distributed his Vitae, which is a document of 41 pages. And this evening, before we went to dinner, I put on the desk of the Parties, just the three-page resume which goes to the other document.

And I have given three copies of all those documents to the reporter.

### DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. CARR:

Q Dr. Hunter, let me ask you, sir, do you have a document before you entitled "Testimony of Dr. John E. Hunter," which is ten pages in length, with Exhibit 1 attached to it?

A Yes.

Q And do you have a document three pages in length entitled, "Resume of John E. Hunter," also?

A Yes.

Q And Vitae, 41 pages in length with your name in the upper left-hand corner?

A Yes.

Q Dr. Hunter, were those documents prepared by you

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or under your supervision?

A Yes.

Q Do you have any additions or corrections you would like to make to your testimony at this time?

A Are those typographical errors supposed to be corrected now?

Q Yes.

JUDGE KELLEY: I think the obvious typos we can pass. If it is really confusing, go ahead.

MR. CARR: There is one deletion and one addition.

BY MR. CARR:

Q Turn to page 3 and give us that correction there, please.

A In the middle of the page, the answer that starts, "No, there are hundreds." On the fourth line down, after the word "specific," "multiple" should not have appeared.

And the next line, the word "no" should have had quotes on it.

Q All right. So strike "multiple" from that sentence, is that correct? Strike the word "multiple"?

A Right.

And then page 4, right in the top answer, the fourth line that starts "and investigation." Immediately after "and investigation" I would like to insert the words, "as Duke did."

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JUDGE FOSTER: I'm sorry, what page is this?

THE WITNESS: Page 4.

JUDGE FOSTER: And where?

THE WITNESS: The answer at the top of the page, fourth line down. The line starts "and investigation." And I would like to insert the words "as Duke did."

BY MR. CARR:

Q And Dr. Hunter, if you look on page 2, the second answer from the bottom includes the handwritten sentence, "the essential questions asked were all clear."

That is part of your testimony?

A That's correct. That was in the original. The typist missed it.

Q Does this document reflect your true and correct testimony?

A Yes.

Q And do you adopt that testimony as your testimony in this proceeding?

A Yes.

MR CARR: Your Honor, at this time I would ask that the documents referenced, the testimony, the resume and the vitae be marked as Applicant's Exhibit No. 120 and received into evidence.

(The document was marked Applicant's Exhibit No. 120 for identification.)

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MR. GUILD: Your Honor, we have the first voir dire we would like to put to the witness.

JUDGE KELLEY: Let's mark it and have a number on it, then we can go to voir dire.

MR. CARR: I have a couple of questions which may eliminate the voir dire, but if you want to do it first, let's go ahead.

MR. GUILD: If Mr. Carr has some, I will defer to him.

JUDGE KELLEY: Okav.

BY MR. CARR:

Q Dr. Hunter, would you please explain to the Board your basic background and qualifications to p esent the testimony that we are discussing here this evening, both educational and professional background.

A Yes. I am a mathematical psychologist, and my major in graduate school was measurement, which included designing all sorts of psychological instruments and in subsequent years I have not only designed hundreds of other kind of instruments, but I have been involved in perhaps a dozen instruments of the kind that were used in this case.

Also, with respect to statistics, I was a math major as an undergraduate with a very strong math-- strong enough math minor in graduate school that I was an adjunct professor in mathematics at Michigan State University for

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many years.

And have published in a number of statistics journals.

Q You used the term "instrument." Could you explain that to the Board, please?

A Instrument is a kind of general term to cover things like tests, questionnaires, as well as things like job sample tests and all various different kinds of procedures there are for making measurements in a psychological context.

Q And what particular discipline did you apply to review the Duke Report and Dr.Michalowski's testimony in this proceeding?

A Well, the single discipline closest would be psychometrics.

Q Could you just outline for us briefly, Dr. Hunter, the materials that you reviewed both to assess the Duke Report and Dr. Michalowski's testimony?

A Yes. I read a letter dated March 16, 1984 from Warren Owens to R. L. Dick.

I read a note entitled -- by A. R.Hans, entitled "Approach to Investigating the NRC Production Versus Quality Concerns"dated March 18, 1984, which had four attachments.

The overview of the investigators' approach, the Interview Guide, Essential Questions and Technical Terms for Interviews.

mm6 I read the report by A. R. Hollins dated August 3rd, 2 1984. 3 I read the report of Dr. Michalowski, which had the formate of a letter to Mr. Robert Guild. 5 I read about half of the affidavits in the case, 6 and I looked briefly today at Dr. Michalowski's transcript. 7 Q Were you present in the room yesterday when 8 Dr. Michalowski testified? 9 Yes. 10 Finally, Dr. Hunter, were you asked in your review 11 to draw any conclusions with respect to the engineering 12 judgments expressed in the report? 13 No. 14 MR. CARR: Your Honor, at this time Dr. Michalowski 15 is tendered for cross examination. 16 JUDGE KELLEY: Thank you. 17 Any voir dire, Mr. Guild? 18 MR. GUILD: Yes, sir. 19 VOIR DIRE 20 BY MR. GUILD: XXX 21 Dr. Hunter, when were you first retained to perform 22 services for Duke Power Company? 23 Tuesday afternoon. Tuesday of this week?

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Q What were you asked to do, sir?

A At that time it was said that -- it was couched in very vague language, that there had been an interview and someone had criticized the interview, and would I be willing to take a look at the interview and the criticism and comment on it.

- Q What kind of interview was described to you?
- A Over the initial phonecall?
- Q Yes.
- A I'm not sure it was.
- Q What was said to you?

A Not a whole lot more than the fact that it was

Duke Power, and the interview -- I can't remember exactly.

The comments wouldn't have had very much to do with the

nature of the interview. It just had to do with -- as I say,

it was very sketchy.

I then received a package of documents sent by ZAP mail to look over.

- Q What were you asked to do?
- A I was asked to look over them and to evaluate the interview research that was carried out and to evaluate what I now know to be Dr. Michalowski's critique.
  - Q Evaluate for what purpose?
  - A To see if he was right or not.
  - Q Were you informed that you would be asked to present

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testimony before the Nuclear Regulatory Commission Atomic
Safety and Licensing Board in the operating license proceedings
of the nuclear power plant at Catawba?

A Yes.

Q When were you told that?

A I think in the initial conversation it was made clear that if I had anything to say that they would be -- that is essentially the idea was that I was to look over things.

And then give my evaluation over the phone. And then they decided that they wanted me to testify.

Q You were told in the first conversation that your testimony was being sought in this proceeding?

A No. At that time I was simply told that that would be a followup.

Q You were informed that you were likely to be called as a witness?

A Right.

Q And then you arrived on the scene and have been with us for some time.

When did you get here?

A I came about 1 o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

MR. GUILD: Mr. Chairman, at this point we would note our objection to Dr. Hunter's testimony being received.

Dr. Hunter was clearly here. The intention of the Applicants to call him as a witness was known either Tuesday afternoon,

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or at the latest, Wednesday afternoon when he arrived, and has been present in the hearing room.

I saw him in the hearing room. Counsel for

Applicants clearly have identified him to us and given us some

forewarning that they had an expert in this field who was

to be present to review and examine Dr. Michalowski's testimony,

who had already been retained to review the adequacy of their

report. And they did not do any of those things.

They clearly had the opportunity to do that without even making a commitment to offering him as a rebuttal witness. They knew they had the opportunity to communicate with this party to minimize the harm, the prejudice to this party in not being able to prepare. We were only given his testimony again late this afternoon.

We do not have an expert present. They clearly could have told us at the time, and it would have allowed us to make arrangements to have assistance for this testimony.

On the basis of this part of the voir dire, we ask that the Applicant's proffer of Dr. Hunter's test imony be rejected.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Carr?

MR. CARR: Your Honor, this is rebuttal testimony.

We received a page and a half outline of Dr. Michalowski

late Morday afternoon. He took the stand yesterday afternoon
and testified for over an hour on the record.

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It wasn't until he had finished testifying and we were able to assess the state of the record, that we determined that we would put a rebuttal case on.

You heard what Dr. Hunter is going to testify to.

He was notified Tuesday afternoon of a potential need for
his services. He arrived at 1 o'clock Wednesday afternoon and
was engaged in his review.

48 hours after that we provided testimony and he was here in the hearing room yesterday afternoon.

Dr. Michalowski didn't leave the stand until after 6 o'clock yesterday. We handed out the vitae last night. As I said again, it is rebuttal testimony, it is limited to what Dr. Michalowski said on the stand yesterday, and what was in his report.

In our view, clearly rebuttal testimony and we would be entitled to put him on and ask him the questions that were in his testimony and let him testify orally. We didn't do that. Therefore, I don't think Mr. Guild's objection has any merit. Let's just move on through the process.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Johnson?

MR. JOHNSON: Two things.

One is the questions, were Applicants required to notify the parties and the Board at the time they entered into this relationship with Dr. Hunter?

And I think my answer tothat would be no, if they

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weren't sure that they were going to need him as a rebuttal witness. I think that is one factor to consider.

What they seem to be saying tonight is that they weren't sure they were going to call him until they heard what Dr. Michalowski had to say, which is a reasonable position to take. And given the nature of rebuttal testimony, a reasonable approach, notwithstanding the fact that they had entered into some sort of a relationship with him previously and asked him to look at the documents.

Secondly, I am not altogether clear on what the prejudice is to the Intervenors in not having been informed on Tuesday afternoon or on Wednesday afternoon specifically that Dr. Hunter might testify.

JUDGE KELLEY: Thank you.

(Board conferring)

The Board has listened carefully to the comments of all three counsel. The Board sees no point in repeating everything that was said. We find no merit in Mr. Guild's position. We agree essentially with Mr. Carr and Mr. Johnson.

The objection is overruled.

#### CROSS-EXAMINATION

BY MR. GUILD:

Dr. Hunter, are you being paid a fee for your services by Duke Power Company?

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\$1000 a day.

And when did ; ou begin to accrue that fee?

MR. CARR: Objection, your Honor. That has no relevance. The question of fee and the amount might have some marginal relevance, but it makes no difference when it began to accrue. Although, Mr. Guild ought to be able to figure it out for himself, since he just found out when the relationship started.

MR. GUILD: Then it is simple enough to answer, Mr. Chairman, we are wasting time this way.

JUDGE KELLEY: I sustain the objection.

The exact dollar amounts are not relevant.

MR. GUILD: I submit that the degree of interest of an expert witness is material. I would ask that the record reflect --

JUDGE KELLEY: You have adequate facts to determine that. Let's move on. I sustained the objection.

BY MR. GUILD:

So the request made of you by Applicants, your task, Dr. Hunter, was to evaluate the materials that were made available to you by the company and to rebut the testimony of Dr. Micha' wski.

Is that correct?

I wasn't told initially to rebut. I was merely told to examine materials.

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Q At what point were you retained to rebut Dr. Michaelowski's testimony?

A Well, I am not sure quite what the question means.

I came on Wednesday, and at that juncture really had not
finished evaluating, and we were still looking at the
process. There was no point where people said you are not
retained to rebut.

Have you any experience in performing investigations?

A Which kind of investigations?

Q As you employ the term when you use it with regard to the description of what Duke did.

A What I meant by that term at that time was investigatory instruments, are interests where the primanry purpose is to --

Q No, sir, let me interrupt you. I don't mean the instruments. Let me direct your attention specifically to a portion of your testimony where you use the term, page 7, sir, the last question, your answer: Duke's review of the foreman override concerns was an investigation, not a survey, as you use the term there.

What is your experience in conducting investigations of that sort, sir?

A That is different -- I am using the word in a different sense there. In that particular sentence. I was using it in the sense of investigation, as police investigation

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inc. 25 or a similar matter.

Q All right, sir. Let's use it in that sense then.
What is your experience in conducting police investigations,
or investigations of that sort?

A None.

Q Mr. Hunter, do you consider yourself a scientist?

A Yes.

Q I direct your attention to your testimony, beginning or page 1. The second question. You state there, Dr. Michalowski has stated in his testimony that the validity of the conclusions presented in Duke's foreman override report is compromised by the failure of the investigation to, 'specify the exact parameters of the dependent variables.'

How do you define dependent variable?

A Dependent variable is defined, what I took it to mean in his report by the following sentences that he wrote, was the fact that --

Q Dr. Michalowski's report you are speaking of?

A Yes, Dr. Michalowski's report. He followed a statement by then listing a variety of questions that they might look at, and I formed the impression then, and that was corroborated by what I heard him say yesterday, it seemed to me like what he was saying is that it seemed to be the case that the Duke Power Report was investigating a number of different issues, and hadn't focused clearly on one single

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outcome variable.

As a scientist, how do you define that term?

A dependent variable is a variable whose values are being looked at as a function of something else.

How many dependent variables were looked at in the Duke investigation?

There -- that really can't be defined in this kind of an investigation, because it was investigative rather than a survey.

That is, it's intent was to locate all sorts of different problems, and since a very wide amount of information was obtained, the analysis of the report could have looked at hundreds of different dependent variables.

0 So, you don't know the answer to the question?

What I would say is that I would say potentially, like this, depending upon what order you chose to code -for example, the affidavits -- it would be possible to define. Perhaps a hundred dependent variables.

How many did Duke Study investigate?

Well, it would have been at least three. They certainly looked at foreman overrides. They looked at the extent of interpersonal problems --

0 The number of what problems?

Inerpersonal problems between foremen and the men A on their crews. They looked at allegations.

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0 The number of allegations? 2 A Right. 3 Q Did you read it? A Yes. 5 How many instances of foreman override did the 6 Duke investigation identify? 7 As I understand it, there were ten specific allegations that were safety related. 8 9 How many total. Q 10 A How many total what? 11 Total instances of of foreman override? Q 12 That, as far as I know, is a matter of dispute. A How many did you identify in your review of Duke's 13 Q work? 14 15 MR. CARR: Your Honor, I didn't object to that 16 particular question. We stated at the outset, and Dr. Hunter 17 testified, he wasn't retained to draw conclusions with respect to the engineering validity of the matter. 18 19 assessed the report to see that the method of proceeding was proper, and he prepared rebuttal to Dr. Michalowski's 20 21 testimony. JUDGE KELLEY: Could you repeat the question, please? 23 BY MR. GUILD: (Continuing) The witness identified the dependent variables, Ace Federal Reporters, Inc.

which in his view were the subject of Duke's investigation.

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He identified them as three, he set them out explicitly. 1 I am now asking him based on his review of the investigation, 2 3 his review which was the basis for his expert testimony, how many instances of foreman override did the investigation 5 identify?

MR. CARR: That is irrelevant to his testimony. In the first place, the three you listed are just examples. He said he didn't count them.

JUDGE KELLEY: This is a technical issue. Excuse me. Let me ask a clarifying question here just for the record. This started out -- you described it as a voir dire, Mr. Guild. You -- do you still consider that you are in a voir dire mode?

MR. GUILD: Let's just call this substantive cross examination. The distinction is artificial.

JUDGE KELLEY: It seemed to me it was getting artificial. I wanted to get clear on that.

MR. GUILD: As long as our position for the record is preserved that we object to the gentleman's testimony on the basis that I previously stated.

MR. CARR: The voir dier is completed, and we move the document into evidence.

MR. GUILD: We oppose its admission for the reason previously sated.

JUDGE KELLEY: Okay. We don't believe that the

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testimony should be excluded, so we are admitting it.

Does it -- anybody have the number?

MR. CARR: 120.

JUDGE KELLEY: There is a pending question, and I was conferring with my colleagues, and just wanted to straighten out where we were, and now we know where we are, so let's go back into session here a minute. It is sort of a scope question. Will you excuse us a minute.

(Board confers in chambers)

JUDGE PURDOM: The Board would like to ask

Dr. Hunter one or more questions before ruling. Dr. Hunter,
in your testimony, anywhere in there, do you make decisions
as to how many cases of this or that occurred, such as how
many cases of foreman override there were?

WITNESS: Other than having read the number in the report, I made no attempt to determine for myself whether or not there were allegations, nor who made them, nor the value of any of them.

JUDGE PURDOM: Does your report postulate how many cases there were? In other words, do you anywhere--

witness: I talk about cases in the sense of number of workers, but I don't believe I mention anywhere in here the number of allegations, nor the number that anyone has asserted to be substantiated.

JUDGE PURDOM: So you mention the number of workers

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from the sense of what the data base was?

WITNESS: Right.

JUDGE PURDOM: I don't see in your Exhibit 1 anything that classifies that data as to whether it was foreman override, such as that, is that correct?

WITNESS: That is correct.

JUDGE PURDOM: Is the thrust of your testimony with respect to the kind of questions that Mr. Guild was asking as to whether or not this study could be the basis for making such conclusions, not what your conclusion was about whether it could be or not, but is your study in the testimony based to that end?

with was done by the people who were doing the investigation, which was done by the people who were doing the investigation, and which I really don't know anything about; and there was the question of drawing inferences from the data as it was coded in terms of, for example, certain kind of counts were made. Would it be reasonable to draw certain kind of conclusions.

So, what I was looking at was that I was looking at the methodology of inferences that were drawn, rather than trying to evaluate the quality of the data coding itself.

JUDGE PURDOM: So you are saying whether or not the data base was a proper one for making projections or

evaluations, is that right?

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the kinds of allegations that Duke Power was interested in. As I looked at the questions and said: Do the questions look like they would elicit the kinds of information from workers that Duke Power was concerned with. Now, the question of what to do, in particularly at the level of what to do with the affidavits, and whether

I did think about was the question of would the kinds of

questions that were asked on the questionnaire elicit

WITNESS: Well, there are two sides. The thing

JUDGE PURDOM: So yours is a methodology. Design methodology thrust?

to code an allegation as having been made or not, or whether

to determine whether an allegation was true or not, that

WITNESS: Right.

I did not look at.

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Mk. CARR: How many incidents of foreman override could you identify I believe is the question.

MR. GUILD: Did the study identify.

JUDGE KELLEY: That's different.

MR. GUILD: No, sir, it's not. The question I asked the witness is, the first question is, what were the dependent variables which were employed in the Duke investigation study. He identified three number of foreman override incidents, number of interpersonal problems, paraphrasing, number of allegations.

My next question was, how many instances of foreman override did the Duke investigation identify. He said ten specific safety. And my next question was how many total incidents of foreman override. That was the pending question the best I can remember it, Judge.

JUDGE PURDOM: As we view the testimony, it does not reach the question that Mr. Guild has asked. And unless you can point out --

MR. GUILD: Yes, sir, let me try. If you will look at Page 7 of Dr. Hunter's testimony, there the answer to the first question he states: "The key parameter is the number of instances of foreman override."

And then you look at the last question on Page 10, the last question in the testimony, and he says, "In ordinary English, foreman override is a rare event at the Cat. Da plant."

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part. First, that the number of instances of foreman override is the key parameter. And then that he expresses a
judgment as to the significance of foreman override in terms
of, if that key parameter number, and he uses the characterization "rare it seems to me it makes it only fair within the
scope of cross-examination, having identified a number of
instances of foreman override as first a key parameter and
second as one of the three dependent variables which he sees
employed in the Duke study, how many were identified.

MR. CARR: The sentence that Mr. Guild referred to on Page 7 is -- I think he is taking it out of context. A key parameter is the number of instances of foreman override. The following sentence is a conclusory sentence, and it says that the information about foreman override was elicited by several good questions.

That's what that particular sentence stands for.

The question on Page 10 is: "What conclusion do you believe to be supported by the data."

JUDGE KELLEY: Can I muddy the water even a little further by asking Dr. Hunter something. I see a difference in the two questions. Maybe I'm wrong.

You were speaking of the fact that you did not attempt to evaluate the quality of the data code, right?

WITNESS HUNTER: True.

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Ace-Federal Reporters, Inc.  JUDGE KELLEY: I take that to mean that you did not sit down and read through a big stack of affidavits and try to figure out yourself how you would categorize things such as foreman override or some other category of problem?

WITNESS HUNTER: That's right.

JUDGE KELLEY: You were just told your given data and you accepted that as given to you?

WITNESS HUNTER: Right.

JUDGE KELLEY: E.g., there are three, seven, thirteen incidents of foreman override. You didn't second-guess that or analyze it; you took it?

WITNESS HUNTER: Correct.

JUDGE KELLFY: Okay. So to ask you how many instances of foreman override are there in the Duke study, if you read it and you know the number you can answer that, can't you?

WITNESS HUNTER: He asked two questions, the first one which I could answer. He said: How many were mentioned in the report, and my recollection is that the report said there were ten allegations. And my recollection is that the Duke Power people believe that none of those allegations are actually substantiated.

He then asked me how many allegations I had determined.

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JUDGE KELLEY: That's a different question.

WITNESS HUNTER: And I tried to say that my interpretation of what do you mean by "I determined" would be if I went to the raw data and tried to decide for myself how many allegations there were, and I did not do that.

JUDGE KELLEY: You did not do that?
WITNESS HUNTER: No.

JUDGE KELLEY: I understand. Okay.

MR. GUILD: Mr. Chairman, the question put to the witness was, first, how many were identified in the study. He answered and he answered by either quoting or paraphrasing from the report's principle conclusion, and that was as to specific instances involving safety-related something or other. There were ten. And he stated that number.

I then asked how many total instances of foreman override, without the limiting terms, specific and safety-related, were identified. And that's what got us into this mess.

And either he knows or doesn't know. If the answer is that he doesn't know, which seems to be suggested by the Bench's inquiry of the witness, then I would ask that the record simply reflect that the answer is that he doesn't know.

JUDGE KELLEY: This may seem like a tempest in a

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tea pot, but to us it's a scope question and it could have a lot to do with where we go tonight. So we are trying to get a better fix on what Dr. Hunter did or did not do.

MR. GUILD: And my point, Judge, is the bottom line conclusion of the witness. He employs a term which has to be understand, since he defines the key parameter as number of instances, as a measure of the number of instances. And that is the term "rare." He says, "In ordinary English, foreman override is a rare event at the Catawba plant." That's his conclusion.

Now, if that is what his testimony is to support we have to be able to ask him if he can quantify his use of that key parameter.

JUDGE KELLEY: By the way, the Reporters have obliged us with the text of the pending question way back when, and it is this: How many instances of foreman override did the investigation identify.

MR. GUILD: That's what I tried to pose.

JUDGE KELLEY: I overrule the objection.

BY MR. GUILD: (Continuing)

Dr. Hunter, would you answer the question?

The only number that I remember at the moment is the number ten, referring to the number of specific allegations of safety-related.

The answer is that you don't know the total number

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A If that number is different from ten, then I don't know.

Q All right. Now, how do you define the term "rare" as you employ it on Page 10 in your concluding question and answer?

A Anything that would be less than one in a thousand.

Q So, this was ten. And ten is greater than one.

A Yes, but that's ten instances. And then before you can express that as a proportion you have to count the number of potential opportunities for foreman override that would have occurred.

Q Did you do that?

A Yes.

Q How many instances? Potential instances?

A The estimate that I came up with -- there would be two different estimates that I came up with, depending upon which part of the data that you used.

Because if you use the full set of data, including both the random and non-random samples, since you start from 196 workers, then I would estimate that the number of instances would be 784,000.

If you use as the basis the -- only the subjects who were in the stratified random samples, which would be 68

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subjects, then I would estimate the number of potential instances as being about 272,000.

Q Now, how did you do that, Dr. Hunter?

A Well --

Q Let's start with your stratified random sample of 68, how on earth did you come up with 272,000 possible instances of foreman override?

A Oh, okay. Well, as I see it, there is a potential for foreman override on essentially any task that the foreman directs the worker to carry out. Now, the typical worker had been there over four years, so if we take four years as a starting point, I estimated 200 working days in each year -- although they tell me there is considerable overtime -- and on each day I estimated that there would be a minimum of five tasks.

This means then that the number of --

Q Let me stop you right there if I may just to get this clear.

What kind of tasks are tasks as you use the term here?

A That would vary from craftsman to craftsman.

For example, in the case of a welder I would assume that it would be something where the foreman says: Make such and such a weld.

Q How about for an electrician?

A I assume it would be something like, put in such and such a socket. I'm not an expert on --

Q Is that what you did assume when you made these counts?

A When I estimated there would be a minimum of five tasks a day, that was the kind of thing I had in mind, yes.

Q How did you get your five?

A More or less --

Q Seat of the pants?

A Yeah. I actually figured it would be something like probably at least one an hour and then I took a lower number like five which was easy to multiply.

I figured that would be conservative enough that no one would disagree with it.

Q Arbitrary enough that no one would disagree with it perhaps.

A I tried to keep it small enough that it seemed to be completely uncontroversial.

Q Safety-related tasks? Carrying buckets of water, is that a task? Is that a task that you considered?

A No. Well, I don't know that any of the craftsmen would do that.

Q What kind of tasks?

A I actually only thought about -- welders were the

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24 Ace-Federal Reporters, Inc. tion -- there are other crafts on the job, are there not?

A Right.

All right. That was not what the entire popula-

Q What other crafts were the subject of the study whose validity you --

A The other one I thought about briefly was electricians but it didn't seem to me it would be any different.

Q What kind of things do electricians do?

MR. CARR: Objection, Your Honor. Dr. Hunter
has already the question. Mr. Guild asked what the task
was. The task was the normal duty carried out by the
employee in the course of their employment on directions by
the supervisor.

MR. GUILD: That's not the answer of the witness, and I submit that I should be allowed to examine the witness as to his definition of the term, and how on earth he came up with a quantification that is employed as --

MR. CARR: That's what he was doing when you stopped him.

MR. GUILD: And that's why I had a question pending, sir.

JUDGE KELLEY: You are entitled to probe the written text, Mr. Guild, but I think the witness' understanding

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of what electricians do is beyond the reasonable field of cross.

I will sustain that objection to that question.

BY MR. GUILD: (Continuing)

Q Let's take welders. You seem to have looked at them. How many tasks are involved in performing welds on performing welds on two-inch stainless steel sockets,

Schedule 160?

A I don't know.

Q Does it matter?

A I took the number five that I determined and I asked John Hurst and possibly others if it seemed reasonable, and they said that they thought it was conservative as I had estimated.

Other than that, the number was as I said, arbitrary, although it seemed to me just in terms of watching people when they work that people -- I've never seen anybody do fewer than five tasks in a day.

Q All right, sir. So you used an arbitrary number as a foundation for testing your conclusion, or the conclusion of the Duke study, which is that foreman override is a rare event at the Catawba plant?

A That's right.

Q All right, sir. As a scientist, Dr. Hunter, how do you define the term "operationalize" as it is employed in

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your question on Page 2, the second question?

A (The witness is looking at a document.)

I would think operationalize there would be basically the same as measure which is the process of, how do you try to make an empirical determination of what that number is.

Q Is that how you define the term, sir?

A Yes.

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Q Now which of the list of essential questions employed in the Duke investigation operationalizes foreman override?

A. I doubt that it was -- well, first of all, the questions were to elicit allegations that would then be the basis for such a determination. In some cases, they might have determined simply from the answer itself, but there would have been questions such as -- I don't have the list of essential questions, is it okay if I paraphrase?

Q No, please get a list. And maybe counsel can supply it for you so you can be very specific about this.

(Document handed to the witness.)

A. Quite a number of the questions would elicit information that would lead to a determination of foreman override if it occurred.

Q All right, sir.

A. For example:

"Tell me about any case you or anyone you know of ever was directed to violate a welding procedure."

That is the kind of question where a person could report an allegation of a foreman override.

Now I think the determination of a foreman

override was based on more than just the answer to a question; it is also my understanding that there would have been probing or prompting questions that would have been made in response to the subject's initial response if it seemed to be unclear.

Q. All right.

Your answer though on page two, the second answer again states:

"I think the key variables of foreman override and pressure were well-defined by the questions" -- meaning the essential questions.

Which questions, sir?

- A. It would take me a while to go through.
- Q. Please do. Please take whatever time is necessary to specify.
  - A. I think the second question:

"Tell me about any time you felt

that you had been under production pressure

to the extent that acceptable quality was

not achieved...," actually would have produced information on either one of those.

"What do you know about any deliberate attempts to violate a QA procedure." That might have elicited information about possible foreman override.

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"What do you know about any deliberate attempts to violate a welding procedure."

- Those operationalize the term "foreman override?"
- A. I said -- As I pointed out, the questions are to elicit initial information. The information that they elicit is then looked at by the investigator and a complicated decision is made as to whether what the subject says corresponds to foreman override or not.
  - Q All right, sir.

The question that you answered though -- again the second question on page two states:

"Dr. Michalowski has asserted that that the validity of the conclusion in Duke's foreman override report is compromised by the alleged failure to operationalize key variables and concepts. Do you agree, if not, what is the basis for your disagreement?"

And you state that you do not agree, correct?

A. That's right.

The first step in operationalization is to make sure that you have the observations that will enable you to determine whether a given phenomenon did or did not occur.

Now I feel that the questions listed under

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24 ce-Federal Reporters, Inc. essential questions would have elicited the information that the investigators needed in order to determine whether or not an instance that is sometimes referred for investigation but at least would enable them to determine whether an allegation of foreman override had or had not been stated.

- Q Do you understand what foreman override is, Dr. Hunter?
  - A. Yes.
  - Q What is it?
- A. Foreman override is where a foreman asks a worker to do something which is in violation of a quality assurance procedure standard.
- Q Is it it? Is that the definition employed in the survey -- study?
  - A. That is my understanding of it, sir.
- Q How does that definition square with the question which you have identified as operationalizing foreman override?

Let me point you to the question first:

"Tell me about any cases you or anyone you know of ever was directed to violate a quality procedure requirement?"

the concept, it doesn't. That question elicits information

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from subjects which can then be looked at by the investigators to see whether that subject is or is not alledging an instance of foreman override.

The operationalization process is the total process which consists, first, of eliciting the information and, second, evaluating and coding the information.

Q Well sir, I thought I understood your answer to say that the questions clearly defined the term "foreman override?"

A. My answer said that I think that -- well, all right.

The word "define" there is probably poorly chosen.

Q. What should the word be then? What is a better word, more accurate and consistent with your intention?

A. I think I would go back to the phrase that was used before which is that the questions elicited the information necessary to determine whether an allegation of foreman override was or was not being made in a given instance.

Q All right, sir.

But if I am to understand that answer correctly and you don't want to use the term "define" by the questions, what term would you use?

A. As I said, I was wanting to change more than

just one word.

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So you would strike that answer?

A. No, I don't strike the answer, what I was doing was I was just giving you an alternate phrasing; that is what I am saying is in terms of the operationalization of the concepts, that the first step in operationalization is to make sure that you get the information necessary to determine whether or not the phenomenon occurred.

I believe that the questions asked do draw out the information necessary for investigators to know whether or not the worker believes he has observed an instance of foreman override.

How does Duke operationalize the term "foreman override," Doctor?

MR. CARR: Objection, your Honor.

THE WITNESS: I gave you what I believed thatr definition to be.

MR. CARR: Objection, your Honor.

If you are asking for Duke's definition, I would point out that is Dr. Michalowski's term, not Duke's.

MR. GUILD: I'm sorry, I just don't understand Mr. Carr's point. I don't think that speaks to my question at all.

The question was how did Duke operationalize the term "foreman overrite."

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JUDGE KELLEY: Didn't we just have the witness comment on what "operationalize" means?

MR. GUILD: Perhaps so but that doesn't answer the question.

JUDGE KELLEY: I understand that. I understand you are on that wavelength and that the question is how does Duke --

MR. GUILD: How does Duke operationalize -JUDGE KELLEY: I will overrule it.

THE WITNESS: In terms of operationalize,
what they did was they asked questions that they thought
would elicit -- and which I think would elicit -instances where the worker would have thought that he
was asked to do something that was improper, that is
something that was in violation of quality assurance codes.

They then looked at what workers said and, by sometimes with the aid of probing questions and sometimes on the basis of the technical follow-up questions that were asked later, they then determined whether what the subject had said was or was not an instance of foreman override.

And they defined foreman override for purposes of coding the information that they got from these questions -- or at least it is my belief that they defined that -- as an instance where the foreman ordered

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or directed a worker to do something that was in violation of a quality assurance code.

BY MR. GUILD:

All right, sir.

Well in fact, sir, in the report which you claimed to have read, on page two they state the Board in this proceeding has defined foreman override as actions by supervision that "resulted in defective work or violation of QA procedures."

Which definition did Duke employ, if you know, sir, in their study of the subject?

I presume the definition that you read there.

As I recall, they also did include cases where, if the foreman put pressure on -- or gave instructions such that the instruction could not be carried out without violating the QA instructions, that was taken as essentially equivalent to instructing the subject to violate the QA assurance per se.

Well sir, the question that you have described as clearly defining the term on the essential questions used in the Duke investigation states as follows:

"Tell me about any case you or anyone you know of was ever directed to violate a QA procedure requirement."

I gave this as an indication of one of the

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orters, Inc.  questions that would elicit the information -- Mr. Guild, it seems to me that part of the problem here is that you are using the word "operationalize" as a word that is often used with survey instruments.

For example, on survey instruments if you say How did you operationalize intent to vote; the answer is I operationalized intent to vote by giving a structured question such as Do you plan to vote for Mr. Mondale or Mr. Reagan. And in a simple closed-ended procedure of that sort, that ends the operationalization procedure because the subject's answer is directly counted as yes or no and that is taken as a definition of whether he does or does not have intent.

Now when you have open-ended questionnaires, the operationalization procedure is more complicated. It is not the immediate, instantaneous response which defines the coded variable. Instead, a more complicated judgment is made about what the subject said as to what it means.

Q Well isn't operationalizing intended to clarify the terms that are being used?

A. No, the phrase "operationalize" is essentially the equivalent of measure. What is means is you start with an objective: what you want to know is how many instances of foreman override were observed by a given

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Q Let's look at your second dependent variable that you say you used in the Duke investigation: how many instances of interpersonal problems were identified in the Duke investigation, Dr. Hunter?

MR. CARR: Your Honor --

THE WITNESS: It would have been -- judging on the basis of what I saw in the affidavits, there were a great many interpersonal comments made.

BY MR. GUILD:

- Q How many?
- A. I have no idea. I did not count.
- Q Did anybody count?

MR. CARR: Your Honor, I object. That is irrelevant to this testimony.

JUDGE KELLEY: I am not sure what an interpersonal comment is.

Can you give me an example?

THE WITNESS: Such things as He plays favorites, such things as an indication that the foreman was impolite in how he did things, such things as The foreman failed to take my feelings into account. That

sort of thing.

JUDGE KELLEY: I don't see the relevance,

Mr. Guild.

BY MR. GUILD:

Q How about such things as I'll cut your goddam guts out if you threaten my job?

A. That would be an interpersonal comment.

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number of phenomena. I submit to you the witness himself identified the second dependent variable which he sees the study seeking to identify and measure as the number of interpersonal problems. That was his term, not mine.

JUDGE KELLEY: Where is that?

MR. GUILD: This is in response to an earlier question, Judge.

JUDGE KELLEY: It's not in the testimony?

MR. GUILD: No. It's responsive to my question.

MR. CARR: That particular point, if Mr. Guild wanted to find the answer to that, he had fifteen people sitting here that could have given him that answer. He had them on the stand for two days.

Dr. Hunter has said he did not draw judgments.

He is here to cestify as to the data base, not the judgments drawn from that data.

MR. GUILD: I'm not asking him to draw judgments. He expresses an expert opinion as to the validity of the conclusion that foreman override is a rare occurrence.

JUDGE KELLEY: I understand that. But how do we get these interpersonal transactions into the picture?

What has that got to do with it?

MR. GUILD: Sir, he identifies that, not I. He says they have three dependent variables they are seeking to measure. One is the number of instances of foreman override.

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JUDGE KELLEY: Right.

MR. GUILD: He is slippery on the definition of foreman override on how --

MR. CARR: I object to that characterization, Your Honor.

MR. GUILD: He is less than informed on how the Company counted the instances of foreman override. But he states that they also counted the number of instances of interpersonal problems and the number of allegations.

Now, I presume that having counted only those three things -- that's what he identified -- that the number of instances of foreman override is some subpart of the universe of other dependent variables identified in the study.

Now I'm asking him to tell me how many they found of the other two classes that he claims the study identified so that we can at least know where, if he didn't do it, the Duke people began in selecting the items that they claim to be instances of foreman override.

MR. CARR: I have a response if you want to hear it.

(The Board members are conferring.)

JUDGE KELLEY: The Board thinks the inquiry into the witness' account of interpersonal -- what do tney call it? Transactions, relations is irrelevant. So we are going to

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sustain the objection. It is now 10:30 in the evening, and it's our custom to break briefly at about this interval.

Let me ask, Mr. Guild, where do you estimate you are in terms of time on your cross?

MR. GUILD: It's going to take a while, Judge.

JUDGE KELLEY: I need an estimate.

MR. GUILD: I can't give you one. I'm sorry.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Guild, if you don't give us one we are going to make one.

MR. GUILD: Sir, he has been resisting answering questions and the questions have been objected to.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Guild, if you don't want to give an estimate we --

MR. GUILD: Two hours, sir.

JUDGE KELLEY: Two hours. Thank you. Mr. Johnson, under the circumstances and given the nature of the testimony, what do you think is a reasonable time for cross by Palmetto?

MR. JOHNSON: Additional time?

JUDGE KELLEY: Yes.

MR. JOHNSON: I would say another 20 minutes.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. McGarry? Wait. Could you elaborate a little bit? What leads you to that conclusion?

MR. JOHNSON: I'm trying to be practical about this. The hour is very late. And I don't know how much more

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productive cross-examination we are all capable of. But --

JUDGE KELLEY: Let's bear in mind that we intend to finish tonight. We could come back in the morning but we are not going to do that.

MR. JOHNSON: Let me revise my estimate. I would say approximately half an hour. He has already had close to an hour.

JUDGE KELLEY: Approximately.

MR. JOHNSON: And an hour and a half to crossexamine a rebuttal witness it seems to me is sufficient.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Carr?

MR. CARR: I would say another ten minutes. He has already had an hour with the witness. Dr. Michalowski testified on direct orally for an hour and the cross-examination of him, including the Board's questions, was concluded in thirty minutes.

I think an hour and ten minutes for a rebuttal witness is certainly ample.

MR. GUILD: Judge, frankly, this gentleman's testimony just doesn't hold water. All right. Now, we have done the best we can given the absolute limits that have been put on us and tried to structure a series of questions to do so. I don't have access to my expert but I've got the best doggone road map that I can find.

I'm on Page 2 of ten pages of testimony. And I

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intend, if I can and if I'm giving the opportunity to do so, to go question by question through the balance of the gentleman's testimony, because it won't hold up. It just flat won't hold up to the proposition that is being advanced.

And if this Board is going to rely on testimony that says foreman override is a rare occurrence at Catawba from Dr. Hunter, then this party should have a full opportunity to challenge that under the circumstances. And we will do it. And we will do it tonight, but it's going to take us some time.

JUDGE KELLEY: If it's as deficient as you suggest, why can't you point those things out fairly briefly?

MR. GUILD: We have begun, Judge. And I would think that at this point you would already be at the point where you would dismiss Dr. Hunter's testimony on its face right now and say we are all wasting our time, because I think that's the case.

JUDGE KELLEY: Why don't we take ten minutes. (Recess.)

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ce-Federal Reporters, Inc. 25 JUDGE KELLEY: We are back on the record.

The pending question was how we should allocate time for the remainder of an evening which is now at the hour of 10:40. That is not, I might add, determined by me.

The main point is whether reasonable opportunities are being afforded for all parties for cross and presenting testimony. The fact is, it is rebuttal, I am not going to recite all the facts, we recited them before the break.

The fact is we decided we will allot an additional 20 minutes to Mr. Guild for Palmetto and we will have short periods for the other two parties. Following the conclusion of Palmetto's cross, the Board may have some questions.

Go ahead.

MR. GUILD: Please note our exception to that. It is grossly inadequate to allow us an opportunity to meet this testimony.

JUDGE KELLEY: We note your disagreement.

BY MR. GUILD:

Let's speak on the issue of clarity some more, Dr. Hunter.

Now page two of your remarks, again the second question you -- I take it back, it is the third question:

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A. Objective.

"What are the critical requirements for wording of questions?"

You say clarity. All right.

The following: "Did you assess the Duke Power questions for clarity?"

You did, yes, "the essential questions asked were all clear." All right, sir.

Now what is meant by the term "directed to violate" as employed in this essential question?

A. My "directed to violate" means that the person was asked, that is ordered by -- presumably by a foreman --

Q Is ordered or asked and ordered, sir? I'm sorry.

A. Well the term "directed" would mean ordered.

although it is given -- the foreman frequently asks

Would you please do such-and-such, it is still an order.

Q All right.

So it is asked and ordered?

A. When a foreman asks, it is the same thing as ordered or directed. I see those in that context as being synonymous.

Q All right.

Is the term "directed" subjective or objective,

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1 Q. All right.

> Its meaning is therefore explicit, in your view?

A. Yes.

If you have been -- Let's say you are a craftsman at Catawba then. If you have been told to finish your work in too little time, not enough time allowed to do the work that has been assigned to you, have you been directed to violate procedures if violation of procedures would be necessary in order to accomplish that work in a given time?

A. Well the problem -- the question is it presupposes that -- that is, you have essentially said suppose the foreman told you I want you to do this in too little time -- which a foreman never does. A foreman says I would like you to get this done before tomorrow.

That's your answer?

Would you like to restate the cuestion? As I said, the question as it stands -- I don't think any foreman would ever say I want you to do this in too little time.

Q. Okay. Let's stop right there. My time is imited, so please bear with me.

You are a craftsman at Catawba. You are one of the persons being sampled in this investigation or

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survey. Posit this situation:

You are being told you have to accomplish a task but in order to accomplish that task you have too little time to do so and not violate procedures. Your foreman begs, asks, directs, instructs -- you are given the task, assigned the task by a foreman. All right, sir?

Now the question then is having been so told, does that represent being directed to violate a procedure?

A. No.

Q All right, sir.

So that set of circumstances would not be elicited by the essential questions that were posed in the Duke investigation, correct?

A. Yes, it would be elicited by something like
"Tell me about any time that you felt you had been under
production pressure to the extent that acceptable quality
was not achieved."

Q. That is the question that would elicit that circumstance?

A. Yes. There are other questions that might also elicit --

Q Which other one?

A. Most -- many of these would be elicited by more than one question.

Q Well take the circumstances I posited, and you

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are trying to measure the rate of occurrence of that circumstance. Now tell me which of these questions would elicit a response that would identify that circumstance please?

- A. It could also happen in response to the question:

  "What cases can you think of where
  anyone has knowingly violated the interpass

  temperature while making a weld?"
- Q. How is "knowingly" defined there, sir?
- A. For example, suppose that in an effort to meet a deadline you knowingly violated the interpass temperature rule. Then you would say —— Then when they said Can you think of where anyone has knowingly violated, you would say Well there was an instance where I did and I think it was because I was trying to meet the deadlin: that the foreman gave me which I couldn't do without violating the interpass temperature.
  - Q Right.

How is "knowingly" defined?

- A. "Knowingly" means did you know that you were violating the procedure at the time that you did it.
  - Q All right.
  - A. I think the same thing would be true about:

"Tell me what you know about any removal of arc strikes off of the piping

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systems without proper" -- no, that probably would not be elicited in terms of being given too little time.

Q All right.

How is the term "acceptable" to be understood in the second question?

A. "Acceptable" means meeting the standards of the particular code in question.

Q As judged by whom?

A. Well most of these codes state specific things, state specific requirements that are made. For example, that -- I believe for example in the case of interpass temperature, I believe the temperature of the weld must drop to below, I believe it is, 350 degrees before a second weld is made. I understand most of the codes are of that sort, that they specify exactly what standard is to be met in a given action.

So the terms employed in the essential questions as follows: "feelings, pressure, acceptable, deliberate, directed," for example, meet your standard of clarity as you employ the term on page two of your testimony?

A. Yes.

Q And do all of the respondents understand those terms of the same way?

A. That is not necessary.

For example, the word "pressure," as it is used

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here, it would not be necessary that all respondents have exactly the same definition, since pressure is an internal state and a subjective state there would, in fact, be wide differences as to when a person would feel that he is being pressured.

A person, for example, who is relatively paranoid might feel pressured by what another person would regard as an incidental remark.

Q All right, sir. That's fine.

Page four of your testimony, the third question, sir, you state that the information requested by Duke's investigation is not high-risk information, correct? Yes or not?

A. Well I don't think think that is exactly what I said. High-risk information to be given in response to some of those questions.

What I said was that I think that the important information would not be held back because of high risk.

- G So you think it does seek to elicit high-risk information?
  - A. I said it could.
  - Q Does it seek to?
  - A. For example --
- Q Does it, yes or no, Doctor, then please explain. Time is short.

Does the study seek to elicit high-risk 2 information? 3 MR. CARR: Excuse me, he already answered that. Asked and answered --JUDGE KELLEY: Let's take it one at a time, please. MR. CARR: Mr. Guild asked him that question and 8 he answered it could. 9 MR. GUILD: Then I asked him whether it 10 does or doesn't. 11 THE WITNESS: May I answer the question could 12 it elicit high-risk information? 13 BY MR. GUILD: Please answer the question yes or no, Doctor, 15 then proceed. My time is short. I would really like a 16 precise answer. 17 JUDGE KELLEY: I think we are getting rather 18 confused, though, by this three-way conversation. 19 Can you restate your pending question, Mr. Guild? 20 MR. GUILD: I will try, Judge. 21 BY MR. GUILD: 22 Does the Duke study seek to elicit high-risk information, yes or no, Doctor? 24 A. Well I am not sure in terms of "seek." One of Ace-Federal Reporters, Inc.

the questions, for example, the question:

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"Can you think of cases where anyone has knowingly violated an interpass temperature while making a weld."

What I am saying is if a person had knowingly and for his own reasons -- for example, if he had done this so as to be able to go to the john and smoke a cigarette or something -- if he said yes to that and made that admission, it would certainly be admitting -- it would certainly be stating high-risk information.

All right, sir.

Your answer to that question, page four, is this:

"An instance of foreman override

would be derogatory to the foreman rather than the craftsman reporting the incidenc.

The craftsman would merely have been following orders. In fact, had there been an override, the investigation would have provided a chance for the worker to get it off his chest."

Now do you really believe that, sir?

A. Yes.

Q. And do you believe that that suggests that the Duke study was not seeking to elicit high-risk information? That is consistent with your understanding of what Duke sought?

A. Part of the problem is the word "seek." The

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Ace-Federal Reporters, Inc.  questions elicited -- the questions asked various kinds of things.

My comment had to do with the particular issue of foreman override. The questions, however, were much wider than merely foreman override.

An individual craftsman has been pressured by their foreman to violate interpass temperature. That foreman, sir has -- in circumstances where that pressure has existed -- communicated to that craftsman as follows, and I read you from one of the affidavits -- I hope you have read it:

"Arlon said to him that if he caused anything to happen to cause him to lose his job that he, Arlon, would 'blow his brains out.'"

Now Arlon is the foreman. Now are you seriously saying to us, Dr. Hunter, that in seeking to elicit events such as that Duke's study does not seek to elicit high-risk information?

MR. CARR: Your Honor --

BY MR. GUILD:

Q Please answer the question, sir.

MR. CARR: Your Honor, I have an objection. This is page four, the third question. The question reads:

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"Dr. Michalowski also states that the reliability of these conclusions is adversely affected by the fact that the interviewees were asked to reveal 'highrisk information.' Do you agree?"

And then Dr. Hunter gives the answer.

MR. GUILD: That is not responsive to the question asked, Judge, it is simply wasting my limited time.

MR. CARR: The question asked is irrelevant with the answer as given.

JUDGE KELLEY: We will overrule the objection. It seems to me it does fairly go to the witness' testimony about what constitutes high-risk and whether that is true in foreman override type of conduct.

THE WITNESS: Well part of the problem of the question, as I said, was the word "seek."

The question was -- as I interpret the question. the question was Was it the intent of Duke Power to elicit high-risk information?

And my understanding of the intention of Duke Power was that what they sought to elicit was information that would pertain to whether or not instances of foreman override occurred. I don't think what they were looking for was high-risk information, per se.

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As I said, it is certainly true some of these questions could elicit -- and as I said some of these questions could elicit high-risk information.

## BY MR. GUILD:

- Dr. Hunter, your position is that that information that I posited to you, the disclosure of a circumstance that I read you from this affidavit, that is not high-risk information, is that your view?
  - I did not say that.
  - Well is it high-risk information, yes or no?
- Yes. If a person has been threatened and they then tell the person if they were threatened -- if you tell somebody I am going to shoot you and then you tell that person, you are taking a high risk.
  - Page seven, question:

"With regard to the sample use in the investigation, Dr. Michalowski has questioned the adequacy of the sample scheme. Do you think the sampling scheme for this investigation is adequate?"

Your answer: "Yes."

What is the sampling scheme employed adequate for, Dr. Hunter?

Well first of all by the "sampling scheme," what I mean is the sampling scheme as listed in Exhibit 1.

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And as I see it, there were basically a number of different objectives implicit in this sampling scheme: one of which was to run down initial allegations made, I believe by Welder B. 'That I think was one of the main purposes in looking at the 60 workers who worked under foremen, who is Named Individual 142.

The other thing that they wanted to do was to gain more information about various allegations, so when people were named in connection with those allegations they then asked the people who named in those allegations. And that, I believe, is the objective that was met by the 68 other craftsmen who were questioned in the follow-up rounds.

Finally what they wanted to do was to get a general idea of whether or not these problems would emerge in randomly-chosen groups of workers, and so they asked 35 randomly-chosen welders, stratified by crew, and 33 randomly-chosen craftsmen from other areas, stratified by crew.

By "general idea," do you mean they wanted to be able to make generalizations from the samples they employed?

Yes.

Can you make generalizations from an investigation?

A. Yes.

Q On what basis?

A. That depends -- You can make generalizations if the data provide justification for them.

Q How about with regard to this investigation?

A. Yes, I think the data generated by this

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investigation provide the basis for generalizations.

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eporters, Inc.  Q Page 8, question 2, you state Dukes conclusions were justified by the data. Which conclusions were those, sir?

A The conclusion I had in mind was the one I stated at the end, which is that it seemed to me that the data they generated justified their drawing the inference on the basis of their data that the instance of foreman override is a rate event.

Q And which data support their conclusion about the scope the instances of foreman override?

A I think that will be supported by either of two sets of data, either by the entire set of data, looking at both random and non-random samples, and I believe the conclusion would also be justified given only the data from the random samples along.

Q Can you make valid generalizations from non-random sample?

A That would depend upon looking at the data itself to see if you had homogeneity between the results as found.

Q Did you do that?

A No.

Q Then you can't make any generalizations with regard to that data, can you?

A I didn't fully carry it out. It is my opinion that if an analysis is made, it would show homogeneity between

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the data from the non-random samples, the data from the random samples, which would then result in making it valid to pool the data and then look at the total picture.

If you didn't do it, how can you make that assumption, sir.

I thought it through fairly far.

Let's put it in a nutshell now. Dr. Hunter, these gentlemen are going to license a nuclear power plant, based on your expert opinion evidence that the incidents of foremen override, instances where foremen at the threat of blowing the brains of craftsmen, direct craftsmen or force craftsmen or pressure craftsmen, to violate quality standards in the construction of this plant.

And do you seriously expect these gentlemen to rely on your expert opinion that the instances of that occurrence are sufficiently rare, using your term, that they should feel comfortable with the safety of that plant?

I think that what they should look at, is they should look at the report, and the data generated by the report. I am merely saying that I think that valid inferences were drawn that given the data that Duke Power generated, I think the inference they drew from that data is justified.

You didn't evaluate that data, though, did you?

I did not evaluate the process of coding what respondent said into allegations, that is right.

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24 Ace-Federal Reporters, Inc. their characterization of that data.

A What I looked at was the process of given such and such data, what conclusion would be drawn from that data.

You simply accepted Duke's coding of that data.

And what I testified to was that I believe that their inference process was correct.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Guild, your time has expired.

MR. GUILD: Let me have a moment, Mr. Chairman,
to wrap up.

JUDGE KELLEY: I would like to just check with Mr. Riley. Were you planning on putting any questions to the witness, Mr. Riley? We hadn't asked you earlier.

MR. RILEY: No, sir.

JUDGE KELLEY: No, sir.

BY MR. GUILD: (Continuing)

Q Dr. Hunter, Duke randomly sampled only thirty-three craftsmen from the non-welding areas. What would be the confidence and error levels of asuch a sampling?

A Confidence in error levels for what? You don't have confidence levels associated with samples. You have confidence levels associated with statistics.

Q And with the conclusion that you draw from those statistics. You made a generalization. You said instances were rare of foreman override, and I assume you applied that to the sample they conducted of craftsmen --

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REPORTER: Only one at a time, please. I can't take two of you talking at once.

JUDGE KELLEY: It only works when we have one at a time.

BY MR. GUILD: (Continuing)

Q What is your confidence level that you attribute to your conclusion that incidents of foreman override is rare outside of welding craft?

A I gave you the exact calculations which I used to define -- if we take the maximum number of instances of foreman override and safety-related incidents that might have occured to be the number of allegations, which is ten, and we divide that by the number of instances where foreman override might have occurred, then we get a maximum observed probability of something like one in 272,000.

Now, the fact of the matter is that in my opinion even if the allegations were understated by factor of ten, that would still leave you something like one in 27,000, which would still be rare.

Therefore --

Q No, sir. That is not my question. My question sir is you, Dr. Hunter, who reached this conclusion of rare, on the basis of the sample of 33 craftsmen in a non-welding area, what confidence and error level do you associate with that conclusion, sir?

ce-Faderal Reporters, Inc. MR. CARR: Your Honor, I am going to object.

Dr. Hunter has explained what that conclusion means, -explained the fact that that conclusion means in his view
the inference could be -- or the conclusion could be reached
by Duke when it completed its report.

JUDGE KELLEY: I am not sure I understand, Mr. Carr.

MR. CARR: As he has been all evening, he is attempting again to get Dr. Hunter to say that Dr. Hunter evaluated the data to determine which of th data resulted from an override.

JUDGE KELLEY: I didn't think that was the question. Maybe I am wrong.

MR. GUILD: No, sir, I think he is going off on some fantasy trip to explain again --

MR. CARR: I object to that characterization. There is no call for that.

MR. GUILD: The hour is late, and we want to get to the bottom of this.

JUDGE KELLEY: I want to interject here and see if I don't understand the question that Mr. Guild has, and it is the one I think I would ask anyway eventually, so I will ask it now.

You say that instances are rare. If Duke is right in categorizing these incidents of foreman override, then incidents are rare, given your calculations of five a day,

so on.

WITNESS: That is right.

JUDGE KELLEY: How confident are you of that conclusion. Don't statisticians talk of standard deviations and things of that sort? Is that what you are after, Mr. Guild?

MR. GUILD: Yes, sir, it is.

WITNESS: I didn't do a formal calculation because if you took that as an observed proportion based on 272,000 cases, the standard error would be so small that it would make only minimal difference.

For example, it would not be very likely on purely statistical grounds that there could be an error by as much as a factor of ten. What I noted was that even if you expanded it by ten, it would still be -- we would still be talking about well less than one in a thousand times.

As I said, the number is so small I didn't calculate the formal confidence.

BY MR. GUILD: (Continuing)

Q The last question, Judge. Thirty-three is a sample of non-welding craftsmen. That is all they talked to. And you don't know how many instances of foreman override they identified among those three-three non-welders they sampled. You have already told me that.

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A I said -- I told you the number that I used, which I believe --

Q That is from the entire --

JUDGE KELLEY: We are going to let this question get answered. It may take a minute or two, but let him finish and you can say something.

BY MR. GUILD: (Continuing)

Q I am trying to get your answer. I am really trying to be clear about what my question is.

JUDGE KELLEY: You want to restate the question?

BY MR. GUILD: (Continuing)

Q You sampled only 33 people outside the welding craft. I think you told me that you didn't know how instances of foreman override there were. You said you thought there were ten reported in the Duke document.

That is for the whole size of people interviewed.

A Right.

Q So you don't know how many are there among the thirty-three?

A Among the sample -- there could be at most ten.

You recall when I stated the number. I said that there were at most ten allegations for the whole sample, therefore, if we take the sub-sample, the number of allegations would be less, it would be ten or less.

Q We have ten instances of foreman overriede among

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the 33 craftsmen who were outside the welding sample.

You still reach the same conclusion that foreman override was rare at Catawba.

A Yes, because that is -- again, there are 272,000 -- the 272,000 are based on sixty-eight, not on thirty-three. Had there been ten instances among those thirty-three, then the number, although it would be not one in 27,000, it would still be something like one in 9,000.

Q It would be rare in your opinion?

A Yes.

Q If one third of the craftsmen in the non-welding area reported instances of foreman override, foreman override at Catawba would be rare, Dr. Hunter?

A First of all, that is not what the ten would necessary mean, and my comment was, the question is, how often does foreman override occur, and what I said was you have to take the normal procedure in talking about a percentage, is how often did something occur relative to the number of opportunities for that to occur.

The number of opportunities for that to occur was not 33. The number of opportunities for that to occur would be approximately 33 times 4,000.

Q And this Board should be comfortable with that conclusion. That foreman override is rare, and thereby rely on a Duke study that states that is not a significant

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That is not the same thing.

JUDGE KELLEY: I would like, gentlemen, I would like both of you to try to get to the point here so we can stop, okay? We will go into some other questions. Please try to state your response.

BY MR. GUILD: (Continuing)

You don't mean to endorse the conclusion that foreman override is not a significant problem at Catawba?

I have no basis for knowing -- that is, to say that something is rare, is not necessarily to say that it is insignificant.

I don't know, personally, the importance of this event. I mean, there could be an event that occurs only one in a thousand times, but that could be a critical event, and you could therefore say that if it occurs with that frequency, some remedial action must be taken. not qualified to assess the importance of a foreman override.

> All I was characterizing was the frequency of it. JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Guild, you want one last one. MR. GUILD: Yes, sir.

JUDGE KELLEY: This is it.

BY MR. GUILD: (Continuing)

The fact that there are ten instances of foreman override among non-welding craftsmen, if that were so, rare

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judgement on your part that those occurrences are insignificent, correct?

A That is correct.

by your definition as you use the term, but not representing

MR. GUILD: Thank you.

JUDGE KELLEY: Guess it is your turn, Mr. Johnson.

CROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. JOHNSON:

Q I was going to ask some questions similar to the question that Judge Kelley asked, and that was in your ultimate conclusion, where you say in the last question -- your last question: What conclusion do you believe to be supported by the data? Answer: In ordinary english, foreman override is a rare event at the Catawba plant, I originally thought what you were saying was that you were drawing the conclusion that foreman override is a rare event at the Catawba plant.

But what I understand your answer now to be is that assuming that Duke appropriately categorized the data concerning the operational variables, dependent variables, that is, instances of foreman override, that they had enough information at their disposal, the data base that they were working from is sufficient in order to draw an inference of that sort.

A What I was saying was if, for example, that number

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is the correct count of number of allegations, and hence an upper bound for the number of instances, then given the number of opportunities that would occur, that they were correct in drawing the conclusion that it was rare.

And that was your definition of the opportunities. That is the universe possibilities of having this event occur. Since you used ten, and you said it was defined as being instances of foreman override related to safety, I didn't hear you state in your denominator, that is the opportunities that were available, which you said were five per day per individual, times working days for the year, that there was a safety aspect considered.

In other words, all I heard you say was there were a number of interactions between a foreman and a craftsperson, and there are many craft personnel. We heard from some of them who said they only did safety related work ten percent of the time. It didn't seem to me that you considered the proportion of all the work interactions that deal with safety related equipment or safety-related tasks, did you?

A I suspect that the percentage might be that low.

You are right, I did not consider it. I assumed that the percentage that was safety related was so high that I didn't even consider the possibility that that percentage might be

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For example, if it were the case that typically only ten percent of tasks were safety-related, that would affect my figure by a factor of ten.

Okay. I think that is a conservative way to do it. I don't think that that is an appropriate average, but let's say assuming it is ten percent, how would that affect your number, your conclusion?

That would reduce, in the case of the sample of sixty-eight, that would reduce the number of opportunities from 272,000 to 27,200.

It is ten over twenty-seven thousand, two hundred.

A Correct.

And you still feel that was sufficient data base? Q

Well, that is still about one in three thousand. I would still call that rare.

Is that the only basis on which you would draw a conclusion that Duke could draw a conclusion that foreman override was not a pervasive problem at the Catawa plant? Is that the sole primary finding on what you base the finding that they could find it from the data?

There are basically two parts. First, there would be evaluation of the questionnaire information as to whether I thought it would elicit the information necessary for the investigators to determine whether a worker had or had

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So, it seems to me on the basis of the questionnaire that had workers observed it, they would have reported it in response to those questions. Plus it seems to me that there would not be an enormous -- it seemed to me that most allegations would be caught.

It also -- I also assumed it was probably not that difficult, so I did not -- I was in no position to know that that is true, but I also operated under the assumption -- in terms of my formal inference, I simply took their count of number of allegations as being correct, although I had also had no reason to believe that it is difficult to determine an allegation.

It seems to me it would be difficult to determine whether the allegation was substantiated or not, but I had no reason to suppose it would be difficult to count allegations.

Q Okay. Would you consider that to be a conservative way to go about trying to determine pervasiveness of foreman override?

A Yes.

MR. JOHNSON: Thank you. That is all I have.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. McGarry.

JUDGE PURDOM: If the parties will bear with me,
I want to ask a curiosity question. It has to do with the
long form on your Vita, Dr. Hunter, on page 4, Item 16.

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### BY JUDGE PURDOM:

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Q There is a paper referenced there entitled,
Cumulating Results Across Studies: A Critique of Factor
Analysis, Canonical Correlation, MANOVA, and Statistical
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I am not a statistician. What does this "canonical correlation" mean? And what does MANOVA mean?

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A MANOVA is multi-variant analysis of variance.

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Q And canonical correlation?

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A Canonical correlation, if you have two sets of variables and you consider all linear combinations of one set, and all linear correlations that maximize the correlation between the two linear combinations, that

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the two sets of variables.

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Q I was just curious whether this particular paper had any application to the kind of problems we were having

A The paper has to do with what are the problems

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combine it so as to draw conclusions based on the set of studies, rather than on single studies. I don't think

in taking data that goes across studies, and trying to

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it has any immediate application.

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Q How is that pertinant?

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A In this case, we are dealing with data from a single study.

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Ace-Federal Reporters, Inc.  Q I wanted to ask you something else in the way of clarification. In your direct testimony on Page 7, there is a question, "Would it have been more appropriate for Duke to have interviewed a simple random sample?"

And there is an answer on that.

But, elsewhere in here, and in particular in

Exhibit 1, you use the expression "randomly chosen welders."

Do those terms, as used in this testimony, are they a

different use of the words?

I'm trying to get a grasp of the meaning of the words? Are they different in those two instances, or are they the same?

A I think they are the same, because I think in this question when I said a simple random sample, I would have been including a stratified random sample, and so I think they were the same.

Now, I think one criticism I would infer from the testimony the other day is that the study that was made by Duke results in some numbers, whatever they might be, and that because of the size of the sample those numbers can't be extended to represent a condition in the total population.

And you may have answered this question in other forms tonight, but my question is, in regard to that particular criticism is that a valid criticism or not?

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A It's in part valid. If you look at the data for the whole and treat it as if it were a random sample. And that was done in some parts of the report. There would be the possibility of sample bias.

If you -- now, there are conditions under which you could sometimes pool nonrandom data in the random data. That analysis was not done as a part of the report, which was why I said that if you wanted to focus on only that subportion of the data -- and this I think was the point that Dr. Michalowski missed, was that there is a portion of the data which is a random sample and from which you can look at most statistics in the usual manner. That is to say that usually if you say something like fifty percent of the people who -- fifty percent of the people sampled said that they would vote for Mondale, the usual assumption there is that you are working from a simple random sample and you are making inference to the population.

Now, in that sense the total sample of 196 craftsmen is not a simple random sample, because it contains sub-samples that were not randomly selected.

- Q And the sub-samples would be in your exhibit, one in four would not be random; is that right?
  - A That's right.
- Q And your testimony previously says that they would be biased or a greater than normal of events possibly?

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ce-Federal Reporters, Inc. 25 Is that the thrust of your testimony?

A That's what I would think, yes.

Q Would you say then that combining that with the random data is conservative or nonconservative?

A I would say that if that assumption is correct, it would be conservative.

Q Is there any reason to think it's not correct?

A I have no reason to think that it's not correct.

Q You are employed, as I understood it, by Duke and you have had a limited opportunity to examine the study that they made. In your statistical knowledge, if you were designing this study from scratch, what would you do to make us have more confidence in the study?

A Well, the first thing is that I would have instructed people to document everything in much more detail from the beginning. For example, document such things as how the non-random sample was drawn.

I would have instructed them to do analyses
breaking the data down separately for, say, non-random and
random samples to see how they do compare to each other, as
I think there are a number of things that could be done that
would improve the study as it has been done.

I have not thought in terms of possibility of whether, say, certain -- I simply have not thought about

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sce-Federal Reporters, Inc.  whether questions might have been asked, nor have I questioned them as to the coding procedures to see how that might -- how those might have been improved or made straightforward, though if I were acting as a consultant those would be some of the directions that I would push.

Q Well, the simple answer that I was wondering if you would make that you have alluded to is whether or not you would have doubled the sample size, tripled it, made it ten times greater?

A Well, part of the question has to do with feasibility. That is, it's always the case in any statistical investigation the more data you have the better. And so, therefore, it is, of course, always preferable to have more data rather than less.

Now, the question is in terms of feasibility how much, you know, time, manpower and time constraints were allotted. It may or may not have been possible. I can't tell on the basis of what I read, without much more questioning.

It might have been possible, for example, that if this represents sort of the total feasible number of people who could be interviewed within the constraints they were operating under, it might have been possible that, for example, I might have recommended that fewer of the workers who worked under Foreman 142 be interviewed and that

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they allot more to the other samples. I'm not sure.

That would be in part a question of the investigatory needs. But, as I said, you know, a person -you can only blanketly ask people to have a greater sample size and if there is a greater sample size you always get better statistical estimation.

However, there is always an upper bound set on the maximum sample size by feasibility conditions. I did not -- you know, I did not know -- I have no idea what the feasibility conditions were that set the upper bound that they set for this study. So I don't know whether they were in a position to modify that or not.

JUDGE PURDOM: Thank you, Doctor. That's all.

# BOARD EXAMINATION

#### BY JUDGE FOSTER:

Q Dr. Hunter, one of the questions that some of us have in our minds is whether the investigation as carried out actually found among the people sampled all of the real cases of foreman override.

We have -- out of this group, we have been talking about allegations like ten. These were elicited by Duke Power Company employees who were trained interrogators asking questions that you have there of Duke's own employees.

I know one of the things that Dr. Michalowski had mentioned was that sometimes it would be desirable for an

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outside group of people to perhaps be doing the interrogating.

My question to you, sir, is in your expert opinion how far under might the allegations be from the true number if it had been done by some other means or, let's say, from the true number?

Well --

Do you think there is a possibility there would have been twice as many or half as many again or --

I think that the extent to which information is going to be elicited is largely a function of the amount of rapport and also to a considerable extent the function of the extent to which the people see it as important.

My own guess is that having the superintendent come in and tell them, you know, we want to know what is going on in our department, and having people from within the Company be the people who are taking information would actually increase the number of reports. Though, it is also my understanding that the NRC investigators carried out -- and again they would not have used a random sample but certainly they interviewed -- and this is just from listening to -- I believe it was Mr. Uryc, or the person who was sitting right here yesterday afternoon, that they conducted a number of interviews and found substantially the same results.

So, I do not think that -- I will not agree with

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Dr. Michalowski that there would be any great advantage to having the study done by outsiders rather than by the personnel people that Duke used.

Q By the same token, you don't think that the ten allegations that came out substantially understate the true number, then?

A Let me say first that I have no basis, since I did not do any kind of independent assessment of the extent to which they correctly coded what people said into allegations, although it is my opinion that I do not think that they would miss that many.

It doesn't seem to me like it would be a task where a great number of errors would be made; however, you know, I could be wrong.

JUDGE FOSTER: That's it.

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### BY JUDGE KELLEY:

Q Dr. Hunter, you said you used a number of transactions per worker of five, I think?

A Per day.

Q Per day. And I believe you referred to someone, apparently a Duke Power person, who, as I i sall, suggested that that would be a conservative number; is that right?

A Yes.

Q Who did you speak with?

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A John Hurst.

Q And he is with Duke?

A That's my understanding. That's what I was told when I came Wednesday morning.

Q What does Mr. Hurst do? Do you know?

A He is an industrial engineer at the Catawba plant.

JUDGE KELLEY: Thank you. Mr. Guild, do you have any recross questions?

MR. GUILD: Yes, sir.

JUDGE KELLEY: Approximately how much time do you think that will take?

MR. GUILD: Ten minutes.

JUDGE KELLEY: All right. Ten.

RECROSS EXAMINATION

BY MR. GUILD:

Make valid generalizations. Certain empirical criteria are used to establish the reliability and validity of the data study. Standard, for example, to set your acceptable confidence level and your acceptable error level in advance before actually doing the sample. Standard is usually, for example, to set the error level at five percent. You will be correct ninety-five percent of the time in your generalizations. With a sample of a hundred, this error level increases to ten percent.

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What is the error level for a sample of thirtythree?

MR. CARR: Your Honor, this is not proper redirect. This was not brought up on cross by Mr. Johnson, Dr. Purdom or Dr. Foster or yourself.

This is simply a continuation of Mr. Guild's cross examination. These were the last questions that he asked.

JUDGE KELLEY: How was it brought up, Mr. Guild?

MR. GUILD: Exactly the subject that Dr. Purdom
was inquiring. The confidence level of the sample size.

JUDGE KELLEY: Judge Purdom.

JUDGE PURDOM: Well, I think my question went more to what would he do to have more confidence in the sample. And he gave a lot of discussion. I don't know that I asked for the precise confidence level that he would have, the level that Duke had or the level that he would achieve.

JUDGE KELLEY: I sustain the objection.

MR. GUILD: Mr. Chairman, it seems to me that you can't approach one without the other. You can't answer the question of whether you need to increase the sample size until you establish whether or not you have achieved a given level of confidence, level of error, sample size -- in the sample size employed.

And I'm trying to approach that same point. And it's --

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that's -- this is the bottom line of the question. I mean, if --

JUDGE KELLEY: You are trying to approach it,

I believe, on further cross, Mr. Guild. I'm sustaining the
objection on the ground that the point you are raising is
not the same as the point Dr. Purdom raised.

We are down to a very fine point on the rules. And we can finish this up.

MR. GUILD: The fine point of the rule -
JUDGE KELLEY: The objection is sustained, Mr.

Guild. Kindly move on.

BY MR. GUILD: (Continuing)

Q How sure can you be with a sample of thirtythree, Dr. Hunter?

A That question, as you know, first of all, if you are going to ask about confidence levels you have to inquire as to a statistic, not as to a sample.

Q So you can't answer the question?

A The question is, you -- can you have confidence in a sample of thirty-three simply has no numerical answer.

Q How sure can you be with a random sample of thirty-three?

A The question is how sure can you be of what?

You have to specify a specific number that is being computed,
how it is being --

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Ace-Federal Reporters, Inc. 25 Q Yes, sir. Yes, sir. How sure of the conclusion that you reach, that conclusion stated at Page 10, foreman override is a rare event at Catawba, with a random sample of thirty-three?

A I did not -- as I said in response to exactly that same question before, I did not compute a confidence interval.

Q You don't --

A However, if you used a binomial to compute the count confidence interval with an N of 272,000 it would be relatively small.

Q N is thirty-three.

A I'm sorry. The N is not thirty-three.

Q Assume it is. Assume N is thirty-three. What is your confidence level?

A For what statistic?

Q The override, the instances of override?

A Well, it's just mathematically not correct to say that the N is thirty-three when the N is 272,000. And so, therefore, I don't know what statistic, you know.

Q Why is it more correct to come up with the arbitrary number that you employ?

A The question is, for a given number that is computed in statistics, if you apply a given formula there are meanings assigned to the terms in those formulas.

MR. GUILD: Mr. Chairman, I would like an answer

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ederal Reporters, Inc. 25 to the question. I'm not trying to play games with the witness. I really want to go home as much as anybody else does.

It's a very simple question, and that is, for a sample size of thirty-three what level of confidence does he have of his conclusion, which is that foreman override is rare at Catawba.

I don't know how to break it down any simpler than that.

JUDGE KELLEY: I've been impressed with the witness trying to answer the questions candidly. He has been objecting that you are asking him a meaningless question. I think you may not agree with that.

You go ahead and put your question to him again and see if it gets us anywhere. So far, it hasn't.

BY MR. GUILD: (Continuing)

Q There were thirty-three, a sample size of non-welders, persons in other crafts. Thirty-three. That is what your exhibit reflects, does it not?

A Right.

Q Okay. And you generalize to thousands of transactions.

A But transactions are not the same as persons.

Q Right. You generalize to thousands of transactions among thousands of people at the Catawba site on the #28-13-SueT 1

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basis of that sample size, correct?

Would a scientist do that, Dr. Hunter?

The count of the number of transactions was not based on the sample size. I gave you how I estimated the number of transactions.

I estimated the number of working days from the conventional 50 weeks times -- or, 40 weeks times five. I took 200 working days --

Q That's all right. You don't need to say it again, Doctor. That's it.

That's how I estimated number of transactions.

MR. GUILD: That's all I have.

JUDGE KELLEY: Is that it, Mr. Guild?

MR. GUILD: That is it, Judge.

JUDGE KELLEY: Okay.

MR. RILEY: Judge Kelley, may I have a recross question?

MR. CARR: Mr. Riley didn't cross-examine, Your Honor.

MR. GUILD: Then, I would like to have Mr. Riley have my time. Let's have a little courtesty, a little minimum courtesy, at this point, please.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Riley, I asked you a little while ago if you had any questions of this witness and you said no.

MR. RILEY: I didn't have on cross, but I do have on recross.

JUDGE KELLEY: No, thanks.

MR. GUILD: Please, Judge Kelley.

JUDGE KELLEY: Request denied, Mr. Guild. I think the request is outrageous.

MR. GUILD: Judge, please. I didn't use the time I had. I'm having a very difficult time. You have not given me any expert assistance. I am trying to get to the crux of this.

JUDGE KELLEY: No, we are through. This witness is excused.

Mr. Hunter, thank you very much for coming. We appreciate your answers and your attention.

Do we have any redirect? I forgot, frankly.
MR. CARR: No.

JUDGE KELLEY: Thank you. You are excused. (The witness stood aside.)

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JUDGE KELLEY: Counsel, let us turn immediately to the question of the filing proposed findings of fact.

Mr. Guild earlier expressed a desire to file findings. I dare say since this transcript is a little longer than the one we thought would be generated, we would like to have findings.

That really leaves two points to talk about. We did say -- let me go back into history a little bit. We addressed the point in the September 21st telephone conference at transcript 12,848, where I said in this regard, 10/17 -- meaning October 17th, simultaneous filing of proposed findings and conclusions by all parties subject to a Board page limit to be determined.

There is the question of the date. I might add, nobody ever raised any objection to those propositions.

MR. GUILD: I have a continuing objection as to the time limits imposed. I just ask that that be reflected.

JUDGE KELLEY: Your continuing objection didn't begin until the hearing started here, Mr. Guild. I am talking about the time we set this we explicitly called for comment and we received no objection from you for that specific date.

> MR. GUILD: Mr. Chairman, that is not the case. JUDGE KELLEY: It is the case, Mr. Guild. If you

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Want to point out to me later, after I have finished what

I wanted to say, someplace in the transcript where you made

such an objection, I would be happy to see it.

I would think we would change the date to the 17th. The hearing has gone on longer than we thought.

Then there is the question of what we change it to.

There is also the matter of page limits which the Board

continues to think is appropriate. Long, rambling findings

are not going to do us any good. This is a narrow subject,

even though the transcript is fairly long.

We continue to desire fairly short, pointed proposed findings.

We can put to you a proposition. Let's take a short recess, then we will come back and talk about it. I might add the Board hasn't really talked about it much. This is out on the table, it is the point to talk about it. It is not anything very firm. And it would be, serve findings by Express Mail by Monday, the 22nd, a week from next Monday.

I might add, Mr. Guild, you will have a copy of the transcript. I will loan you mine, if that is going to be a problem. I propose for your consideration, a 30-page, double space, 8 1/2 by 11 page limit on findings.

Let's take a short break. We will come back and talk about it.

(Recess)

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MR. JOHNSON: DUring the break I proposed to

Mr. McGarry that in light of the schedule that the Applicant
is currently under, that we allow the parties two weeks
from today to file their findings, abiding by the 30-page
suggestion by the Board, which would then give the Board
approximately two weeks to make its decision.

JUDGE KELLEY: I don't understand the arithmetic. Maybe that is right.

MR. JOHNSON: Today is the 12th. Two weeks would be the 26th.

JUDGE KELLEY: All right, so thenwhat?

MR. JOHNSON: Then the date that the Staff understands to be in the current schedule for need to go critical, is November 8th. That is one day short of two weeks in addition.

JUDGE KELLEY: What does Mr. McGarry say?

MR. MC GARRY: It gets tight for us, because once we get a decision from you, if it is favorable, it takes us time to go through the staff. Right now our schedule calls that week of the 8th -- the schedules change. But I understand it is that date.

I think we would agree to that date.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Guild?

MR. GUILD: Sir, my problem with any time limit that is of this order of magnitude, is that I have virtually

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no support assistance for doing this. So, aside from the compositional problem which is one I can manage with the resources I have, it is a question of getting something typed and put into a written document. That has always been difficult for me. I don't have any secretarial assistance available to me.

And what I had sort of put on the table to Applicants was the notion of, when the rules contemplate proposed findings, they also contemplate -- 2.755 -- oral argument on the record.

I don't propose oral argument in addition to findings, but what I had contemplated is the notion of a transcribed argument, essentially based on record references from the transcript. That is the same way that a brief would be, except that it would be in a format that would make it easy for its compilation, if you will. I don't have to get a secretary to sit and type something up.

What had occurred to me was, under that provision of the rule, the Chair has --

JUDGE KELLEY: Let me see that?

MR. GUILD: 2.755.

MR. JOHNSON: Could you read it out loud?

MR. GUILD: It says:

"When, in the opinion of the presiding officer, time permits and the nature of the proceeding and the

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public interest warrant, he may allow and fix a time for the presentation of oral argument. He will impose appropriate limits of time on the argument. The transcript of the argument shall be a part of the record."

JUDGE KELLEY: Can I see the context?

MR. GUILD: It follows the section on findings.

(Document handed to Board)

What I had in mind, Judge, sort of one presents oral argument, it is confined to the record, it is documentation in an oral form, but essentially it is the same kind of thing that you would put in a brief or proposed findings as the Commission tends to style that document.

Transcribing of an oral argument would alleviate the single most difficult burden I have, and that is simply the burden of having something typed and bound and reproduced and mailed.

So, I put that on the table.

JUDGE KELLEY: Would this be in lieu of legal findings?

MR. GUILD: Yes, that's what I had in mind.

JUDGE KELLEY: The thought is that counsel would then get the record and exhibits and study it, stake out what his position is and essentially present findings orally in this fashion?

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MR. GUILD: Yes, sir.

I gather from just informal discussion, that Applicants, given their access to the resources I don't have, would prefer to have it in writing and do the traditional proposed findings. So, I wouldn't limit them. There is no reason to force them to adopt something that perhaps would be more convenient to me.

But it does seem to me that the 30-page page limit is inappropriate and what you are really doing is -- except you are providing transcript -- on oral presentation.

JUDGE KELLEY: Let me see if we can get some reaction.

Mr. McGarry?

MR. MC GARRY: I would think that whatever page limit we are bound to, I think all parties should be bound to it, wnether they be on a typewritten 8 1/2 by 11 or a transcript which would actually be about the same amount of pages, I would think.

JUDGE KELLEY: So, these are sort of computational problems on the phone.

The reporter tells me it is roughly 250 words to a page.

MR. JOHNSON: Is going to do that, he would have to have it transcribed, and the transcription would be then the page number. However, I didn't read that rule, but I

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didn't understand that to be in lieu of findings.

JUDGE KELLEY: He is suggesting that.

MR. JOHNSON: But the rule itself contemplates that as being in addition to writen findings.

MR. GUILD: Not necessarily. It contemplates it being --

MR. MC GARRY: We don't oppose Mr. Guild's suggestion. I think what the Board wants is the theory of the party's case with citations to the record, and wants it clearly and concisely; to get some page limit. If it is 30 pages, I would acknowledge it would seem to me a transcript page probably isn't as voluminous as one typewritten page. So maybe that goes up to 40 pages or so. I don't have a feel for that. But there could be a little bit of a leeway.

What I would be fearful of is all of a sudden a transcript came up with 100 pages or 75, and we are limited to 30 pages.

JUDGE KELLEY: We can't be that precise. There would have to be some leeway.

You have no objection to the concept?

MR. MC GARRY: The concept, as long as it is not abused.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. McGarry, what were you thinking of -- and/or Mr. Guild --we will set some date, whatever the date is. Would you file and then Mr. Guild would call on the

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MR. MC GARRY: I think we would all file the same day. The Staff would file written, we would file written, and either the day before or whenever Mr. Guild chooses, he will have his court reporter, or however he is going to handle it and send you a transcript. That is what he will do, all on the same day.

MR. GUILD: Frankly, what I had contemplated was having the Commission take responsibility for having this document put together. That would be within the authority of the Chair since under the rules it is within your authority to have oral argument.

JUDGE KELLEY: We will have a conference call?

MR. MC GARRY: With one party and a court reporter.

(Laughter)

JUDGE KELLEY: But seriously, it wouldn't be argument and interchange, it would just be you would talk.

MR. GUILD: That's right.

JUDGE KELLEY: You would have your notes there, you would just talk to get around the mechanical problem of typing and whatnot.

MR. GUILD: Exactly.

JUDGE KELLEY: What do you think, Mr. Johnson?

MR. JOHNSON: I wouldn't mind listening to him talk on the record for the equivalent of 40 transcript pages

Ace-Federal Reporters, Inc.  after my filing date has past. In other words, I wouldn't want it to interfere with the time that I have available to write findings.

MR. GUILD: Mr. Johnson assumes he has to listen to me now.

MR. JOHNSON: That's correct. Maybe on the date our findings are due you may give oral presentation.

MR. MC GARRY: Right.

JUDGE KELLEY: If we are coming towards consensus, maybe we can talk about that next.

The Applicants agree with the concept, at least, subject to the details maybe?

MR. MC GARRY: Sure.

JUDGE KELLEY: Mr. Johnson, would you say subject to your getting yours like the day after or something like that?

MR. JOHNSON: What I last said is probably reasonable.

On the last day for the other two parties filing their findings, that the oral findings be filed, too, or the oral findings be recorded.

JUDGE KELLEY: Be recorded. If the NRC does it, that would mean Mr. Guild calling me up, there would be a court reporter there, have a conference call.

MR. JOHNSON: Presumably you would get all the findings in written form on approximately the same date.

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JUDGE KELLEY: Maybe the Board ought to see --

JUDGE PURDOM: May I make a comment?

JUDGE KELLEY: Yes.

JUDGE PURDOM: In reading the transcripts of telephone conferences and presentations for the purpose of organizing the material that might be useful in making a decision, I find that there tends to be less organization of the material presented in a telephone conversation. And it is more difficult for the reader to identify specific points that are being made.

Now I don't know whether Mr. Guild, in making this proposal anticipates that he would be better organized to present the material so that his position would be better reflected for the reason than if presented in writing.

I just wanted to make that as an observation, a caution, and perhaps elicit comment.

MR. GUILD: I think that is well taken, and I think it tends to point out the fact that conference calls are, generally speaking, spontaneous, they are conversational and more or less the kind of thing you hear in exchange on the record and on the face to face hearings.

I certainly contemplate, if I do this -- and perhaps all I should ask for right now is the option to do this, with the alternative being the same be specified for the Staff and the Applicant.

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But, I would anticipate that if I chose the option,
to be mindful of what you say, Judge Purdom. I will make sure
that I take into account the tendency for transcribed arguments
to be less focused.

JUDGE KELLEY: Dick?

JUDGE FOSTER: I am a little concerned about time of receipt.

If Mr. Guild doesn't dictate this until the day -we get it when the other parties file, it is going to be
at least one day more, and more apt to be like two or three
days.

JUDGE KELLEY: Three or four. We have to get the transcript back, we have to mail it. There is a lag there.

MR. JOHNSON: I thought what Mr. Guild had in mind -I don't know if we can do it, that is for you to decide, I
suppose -- is to have the NRC hire the recorder. That is
what I heard.

JUDGE KELLEY: That is right, you are ight.

But even so, even so, you don't get the transcripts for a day or two, then you mail it. If you are simply mailing also, maybe it isn't greatly different. You are right there in town.

MR. MC GARRY: True.

MR. JOHNSON: You could get mine the same day.

JUDGE KELLEY: But that is sort of a fine point, too,.

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what exact day it is done.

JUDGE FOSTER: I have the same comment that Judge Purdom does. It would be helpful if you had major heading and subheadings and this sort of thing.

Beyond that, no, I have nothing further.

(Board conferring)

Ace-Federal Reporters, Inc.  JUDGE KELLEY: We feel that if the concept is acceptable to acceptable to the parties, the concept is acceptable to us. We should have it pretty well nailed down before we walk out of here, so there aren't further mechanical questions.

The reporters tell me, and they are the experts, that one minute verbal per transcript page is the standard translation, or the standard format that they go by .

That would mean about half an hour of being on the phone I guess would likely produce about thirty pages, or something like that.

If it went over a little bit, I suppose that is okay.

I think the understanding ought to be that it would be about half an hour call. When you are putting your notes and stuff together, you ought to run through it once and see how long it takes, and chop it back if it is way too long, and add some if you have plenty of time.

MR. GUILD: Judge, I think the observation Mr.

McGarry sounded perfect to me, and that was that you fit
a few more words on the page of a typewritten text than you
can on a transcript page.

JUDGE KELLEY: That is true.

MR. GUILD: Perhaps we can talk about forty minutes, roughly equivalent to what would be forty pages, at the

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rate that the reporters estimate.

JUDGE KELLEY: Not over thirty-five to forty, say. Now, you gentlemen, want to have that same day?

MR. McGARRY: Yes, sir.

JUDGE KELLEY: You are going to be mailing it to these gentlemen anyway, and I will get a quick turnaround if I can. I will mail the transcript. It won't matter that much. So it is the same day. What day did we agree on again?

MR. McGARRY: Friday, the 26th.

JUDGE KELLEY: Friday the 26th. I just might mention right now, Mr. Guild, it is unlikely I will be in that day, but I will make the arrangements and have the reporter there. It is just the matter of getting it reported anyway, and then my secretary will know about it and you can talk to her if there is any logistical points to go over.

So, --

MR. GUILD: There would be an option to do it that way, or as the Applicant's and Staff --

JUDGE KELLEY: It is an option. I would think the option ought to be exercise, so we know to set it up and call the reporter and what not by, oh, the preceding Monday.

I would like to be in on Monday -- what is that, the 21st.

If you want to make the phone call, and do it that way, call on the 22nd and tell us that is what you want to do, otherwise,

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we will assume you are just going to file.

Could you all file by express mail to parties if you use the phone, Mr. Guild, that you file regular express mail.

JUDGE FOSTER: Federal Express for me.

MR. JOHNSON: 7, Stag Lane.

JUDGE KELLEY: Can I confirm an impression of mine, knowing what we heard from Mr. McGarry about schedule. My impression, my understanding is that the Commission does not have to do a so-called effectiveness review for a low power license, correct?

MR. McGARRY: Correct.

JUDGE KELLEY: So that we don't have to sit here and say, gee, we have to get this done a little sooner, so that we will have time to do the effectiveness review. We don't have to do that for low power. And there is time beyond that if the decision is favorable to you, et cetera.

That in my mind covers the question of post-findings, times, and length. Are there other things?

MR. McGARRY: We request that the Board close the record.

JUDGE KELLEY: Subject to that deposition designation business --

MR. GUILD: That and the documentary exhibit that we are going to reproduce.

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JUDGE KELLEY: As previously agreed upon, certain exhibits are going to be supplied.

MR. GUILD: We need to indicate what those are.

MR. McGARRY: I think we actually preserved an objection. These are company documents I handed over in discovery, and I don't think we are going to object to them, but I think I would at least preserve that position until I see what they all are.

JUDGE KELLEY: That is fair enough. That is loca able in the transcript exactly what we are talking about, so we don't need any discussion now.

MR. JOHNSON: It would be nice if we could get very expeditious transmittal of the exhibits, since we have so little time to do the findings. To have the exhibits in hand.

MR. GUILD: If I can contact applicants, go over a little list that I can read you over the phone, give you a clean copy of the whole set of the documents and get those distributed to the parties real quick.

MR. McGARRY: That would be very good.

JUDGE KELLEY: I think there was a motion to close the record?

MR. McGARRY: Yes.

JUDGE KELLEY: I hear no objections. Subject to the understanding we just discussed about exhibits and designations

of depositions, that motion is granted.

JUDGE FCSTER: What day are you going to refer to that the record be closed.

JUDGE KELLEY: Only a technical judge would think of that. What time is it exactly.

JUDGE FOSTER: 12:19, Saturday morning.

JUDGE KELLEY: Is there anything else we have to take up? It has been a long week.

(NOTE: No response)

JUDGE KELLEY: Thank you all very much. We are adjourned.

(Whereupon, at 12:20 a.m., Saturday, October 13, 1984, the hearing was concluded.)

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