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# PROCEEDINGS

JUDGE SMITH: Good morning, ladies and gentlemen.

One preliminary item. I have been receiving, address to me, at this building, similar anonymous postcards commenting on the case. Although we had announced that we would regard letters as limited appearance statements, I really see no point in burdening the Public Document Room and the record in this case with anonymous messages that really do not comment on the issues. Really all they say is they do not want the nuclear power plant.

So, I will circulate them to the other two Board members and anybody that wants to read them. That's fine. But we are not going to put them on the public record.

You had deferred a preliminary motion to this morning, Mr. Cassel?

MR. CASSEL: I did, Judge. If I may ask your indulgence to defer it a bit further. We had a deposition last night and preparing cross for this morning -- I will have it prepared as promptly as I can, certainly by no later than tomorrow morning.

JUDGE SMITH: You do not have to have your motions in writing.

MR. CASSEL: I understand that. It's not the mechanics of getting it written up, Judge. It's just thinking it through and focusing it sharply.

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JUDGE SMITH: All right.

Another item of preliminary business. We had received the affidavit of William Forney. It was indeed appropriate to bring forth Mr. Forney's views. Had you not done so we would have inquired.

However, we don't really understand the views. It seems, in some way, he is disagreeing with the Staff on the remanded issues but we don't know what the dispute is. don't know -- his explanation does not shine through very clearly.

I don't know what to tell you to do about it. I don't know what the Intervenor's attitude is toward receiving an affidavit prior to testimony or what. But as far as the affidavit itself was concerned, the information isn't accomplishing what I believe you wanted to accomplish.

MR. LEWIS: Well, Your Honor, I could attempt to try and elucidate what it means, but I'm not sure that that would be appropriate for me.

JUDGE SMITH: Unless there's an objection -maybe somebody else knows. We will do it anyway that --

MR. LEWIS: I would simply state that paragraph 8 of the affidavit is the paragraph which is intended to set forth that area in which Mr. Forney disagrees with a conclusion stated in the Staff's testimony. And the conclusion is that one of the -- one of the conclusions stated

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in the Staff testimony is that one can infer -- infer is not the word used, but I will characterize it that way -- the capability of inspectors, including inspectors not subjected to the reinspection program, from the results of the reinspection program.

And that is not a conclusion which Mr. Forni believes can be properly inferred from the program. He does agree with all the other conclusions of the testimony and that is the difference which we wish to bring to the Board and parties' attention.

JUDGE SMITH: In the regular course of business did the NRC Region III inspectors discuss Mr. Forni's views? MR. LEWIS: Yes.

JUDGE SMITH: Perhaps they would be prepared then to explain in a little bit more detail his views, if it was done in the regular course of business.

MR. LEWIS: They are familiar with his views and they were discussed.

MR. MILLER: Judge Smith?

JUDGE SMITH: You have an evidentiary problem, I realize.

MR. MIDLER: I sure do. It seems to me the Staff made a decision on who its witnesses would be on the inspection program and Mr. Forni was not one of them. We now have an affidavit from Mr. Forni and I agree with your

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Mr. Forni's position is on the subject matters that he purports to address.

I would just like to say that I think it is not appropriate to have other individuals from the Staff characterize Mr. Forni's views and have them accepted as evidence.

JUDGE SMITH: I agree. That's a problem. That's why I was stressing in the regular course of business, as compared to preparing testimony, but that's a thin reed to make a distinction on.

The difficulty is I really don't want to see a big deal made of this because Mr. Forni was not around. His job had changed at the very beginning of the reinspection program and he doesn't have very much to add, as far as I can see, by way of testimony as to the events, because he left -- as I recall -- before the actual reinspection program actually began.

Nevertheless, his testimony was important in our initial decision and was cited many times. And here is a concern that is expressed and we don't know what it is.

I mean, I understand your explanation and I understand what the sentence means. But I don't understand how the sentence fits into the whole scheme of his position. That's the problem.

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It may be that we will have to have Mr. Forni here.

MP. CASSEL: Judge, may I ask a question here? And I apologize if I'm not as prepared on that as I should be. I have not seen Mr. Forni's affidavit. Was that served at some earlier date?

JUDGE SMITH: That certainly is a little problem that you identified, yes. You should see it.

MR. LEWIS: It was provided to co-counsel, to your co-counsel.

MR. CASSEL: Just when?

MR. LEWIS: Tim Wright on Friday, the same time I provided it to Mr. Miller and to the Board.

JUDGE SMITH: I have an extra copy.

MR. LEWIS: I'll be happy to give him one.

MR. CASSEL: I wonder if I could ask to reserve comment on this thing until I've read it at the next break? JUDGE SMITH: Certainly, t just want to finish this one thought and conclude my thought on it.

The reason I am not eager to have Mr. Forni come over, to take the time away from his job, and time of the parties and everybody, is that if he is simply going to express a conclusion as to which it is the Board's responsibility to make, then it may not be productive. But if he has a concern which we should focus on, we should be

aware of and focus on, then I think it's our responsibility to at least understand it.

So I would hope that the parties would recognize that as a factor in which he has little to offer, maybe some easier way could be worked out among you to bring his concerns to the attention of the Board, so that it can be translated into evidence that you will accept.

MR. LEWIS: Your Honor, let me just state for the record that this was not supplied because Mr. Forni felt that he had a concern that he had to bring to the Board's attention. Rather, it was provided because it was Staff's view that it might be construed as a differing professional opinion.

We're not certain that we view it that way, but we could see how that interpretation could be put upon it and we simply are providing it. We recognize that absent a stipulation of the parties, it doesn't have any evidentiary status. And frankly, it's there for the parties to review.

And our next move would depend upon if we received a request.

JUDGE SMITH: All right. We'll return to it, having expressed our views on it. We will return to it and the parties can work out an efficient way to resolve our concern.

Any other matter --

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MR. GALLO: Judge Smith, yesterday I explained to the Board and the parties that Applicant was undertaking to retype the testimony of Mr. Branch in order to avoid confusion when he takes the stand. What we have done is to take the first six questions and answers that were filed by Mr. Branch, and these cuestions and answers are personal to his qualification, and join with those first six questions and answers the remainder of Mr. Leone's testimony that

We have now consolidated those two pieces into one document called the Testimony of Ernest P. Branch. And I think it would facilitate matters if I served copies to the Board and the parties. And perhaps it would be a good basis to use this document for cross-examination purposes, if that's convenient.

JUDGE CALLIHAN: Is this merely a consolidation process?

MR. GALLO: Yes.

Mr. Branch adopted.

MR. CASSEL: Just to be clear on the record, Joe, is it the case that there is nothing in here that was not previously in the earlier documents, and nothing in the earlier documents which is no longer in this one?

MR. GALLO: With one exception that's true.

MR. CASSEL: What is the exception?

MR. GALLO: Mr. Branch made a clarification to one

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of the answers. It was the answer that was clarified during the course of his deposition. The exact answer does not come to mind, the number, but when he takes the stand he'll make that point.

I could provide it to counsel. All I have to do is to look at the deposition to look at that.

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MR. GALLO: That's all. Thank you, Judge Smith.

(Document distributed to Board and parties.) MR. MILLER: Judge Smith, while we're on matters of testimony, I fully intended to file the testimony of Mr. Kostal and Mr. Johnson yesterday. It was simply an oversight on my part that I did not.

Mr. Gayley is not here at the moment, but we'll have it this morning physically in the courtroom, and I will distribute it at that point in time.

I apologize for any inconvenience.

JUDGE SMITH: Has Mr. Learner concluded his cross-examination of Mr. Del George?

MR. CASSEL: Mr. Learner has, and my intention was, after another couple of preliminary matters, Judge, which I'll raise in a moment, to commence cross-examination of Mr. Tuetken. But we do have a question or two that may come up in the course of Mr. Tuetken's cross that I would want to ask Mr. Del George and also Mr. Shewski about.

But basically after the additional preliminary matters which I would like to bring to your attention, I would like to begin with the cross of Mr. Tuetken.

JUDGE SMITH: All right.

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RICHARD P. TUETKEN

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resumed the stand and, having been previously duly sworn, were examined and testified further as follows:

MR. CASSEL: The first preliminary matter that I want to raise, and I don't believe that I have enough information on which to suggest that any ruling could be predicated at this point in time, but I just wanted to bring it to the attention of the Board and the parties at the earliest possible date, and this is the earliest possible date, since I only learned about it myself last night, an additional expert witness, who appears to be highly qualified, has on his initiative volunteered his services to Intervenors in this case.

I would like to describe briefly who he is and briefly what the unusual circumstances of his coming to our attention were.

His name is Dr. Bill Bleuel, B L E U E L (spelling). He is a partner in a consulting firm in Rolling Meadows, Illinois. I have not spoken to him, but my Co-counsel, Ms. Vicki Judson, spoke to him yesterday for the first time. He is a Ph.D. in Industrial Engineering for Texas A&M. He has a master's decree in statistics from

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the University of Rochester. His undergraduate degree was in electrical engineering from Carnegie-Mellon. He wrote his Ph.D. thesis on reliability engineering. He served as a reliability engineer for General Dynamics, under contract to the Department of Defense. His consulting work has essentially involved, as I understand it, servicing of sophisticated computer equipment, including quality assurance and quality control of that equipment.

He has read the reinspection report, which was provided to him for the first time by an acquaintance of one of my clients a week ago. He read it during the week, and I understand that following hearing radio news stories about this proceeding, he then called my client and said, "I have some opinions on the reinspection program, based on my experience and expertise, which I would like to bring to your attention." That call was made yesterday to my client.

Following that, my client called Ms. Judson, my co-counsel in Chicago, who in turn called Mr. Bleuel, had a discussion with him last night in which she ascertained that he did have a number of opinions concerning the methodological validity of the reinspection program, and that he appeared to be a competent, reliable expert witness.

He has indicated that he is prepared to testify

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and that his testimony could be prepared by August 13th, the date of our prefiled testimony being due, that he would be available to testify during the week of August 20th, that he is available any time prior to either of those dates with a couple of minor scheduling exceptions, to be deposed by Edison. And I wanted to advise the Board and Edison at this point, and Staff, that based on the conference Ms. Judson had with Mr. Bleuel last night, we do intend to call him as an expert on the methodological validity of the program.

We will be happy to make him available for deposition beginning immediately. We will also be happy to confer formally or informally with Mr. Miller concerning the nature of the particular objections raised by Mr. Bleuel to the reinspection program.

We were able, because of our expert witnesses, Professor Ericksen and Professor Kochhar, to make an assessment substantively of a number of his objections, and we believe they are consistent with and supplement, as well as reinforce, the points made by our other two experts. it's not as if he's coming in with a series of objections with which we are utterly unfamiliar.

I don't believe, as with the witness yesterday, where I wasn't able to state very much on the record, I don't believe that I could state anything more than that

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now, and if the Board would want me to prepare a motion setting forth in greater specificity what it is that this witness has to say, so that you could determine whether he will be permitted to testify, I will be happy to do

In the alternative, if you want us to simply have his testimony prepared, and then you could rule one way or the other as to whether you want to hear the testimony after you've seen what it is, we would be happy to do that, too.

Obviously, we had no knowledge of this witness until yesterday. He did approach us. It does seem to us, based on our discussions with him, that the information he has is relevant, credible, probitive, and would be useful to this Board.

JUDGE SMITH: Do you have a comment, Mr. Miller? MR. MILLER: Yes, sir, I do. The very first thing that Commonwealth Edison did when this matter was remanded for further proceedings to the Licensing Board by the Appeal Board was to file and interrogatory with the Intervenors and asked them to identify their witnesses. It was done in the expectation that at a certain period of time, there would be an end to the identification of witnesses who would be presented as a part of their direct case.

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As I'm sure the Board knowns, and as I'm sure the other parties know as well, it is customary in federal civil litigation to have a final pretrial order entered some weeks before a trial actually begins in which the witnesses are frozen as of a point in time, and unless there is good cause shown, there are no additional witnesses permitted, particularly with respect to expert witnesses.

Mr. Cassel's description of this gentleman's testimony was singularly uninformative. Perhaps he doesn't know himself what this man is going to say. But from what little he did say, it sounds to me as if it is simply cumulative of testimony that is going to be offered by experts that have been identified to us over the past few weeks, including Dr. Ericksen and Professor Kochhar.

I strenuously object to having any artitional witnesses of whom we had no notice prior to this morning added to the Intervenors' direct case. What we have is a two-week period following the end of these hearings in which to receive the direct testimony of three and possibly four witnesses already identified by the Intervenors, take their depositions, get the transcripts, consult our own experts, and be prepared to conduct an effective cross-examination. I think this is unfair, and I believe that there should be some sort of a preclusion order entered by the Board, so that we do not have this process

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repeated. I think we have to know what the parameters of this hearing are at some point in time.

Furthermore, the identity of the client who distributed this reinspection report was not identified, and I think it might be pertinent to know whether the client to whom Mr. Cassel refers is an Intervenor in this proceeding.

MR. CASSEL: The client is an Intervenor in the proceeding, and specifically the individual is Mr.Stanley Campbell.

Judge, I think, as I suggested at the outset, I'm not suggesting that without knowing more about what this witness would say, you can possibly rule, or Mr. Miller could possibly determine that it's cumulative, and I think it would probably ill serve everyone for me to attempt a hearsay summary of what I was told by Ms. Judson last night.

What I would like to do is prepare in whatever form you would prefer a statement of the substance that this gentleman has to offer, and at that point, we are all in a position to make a decision. But I didn't want to wait until I was ready to do that to bring it to everyone's attention. I just learned of it last night. Ms. Judson just spoke with him for the first time yesterday.

MR. LEWIS: Your Honor, I think that Mr. Cassel's

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offer, even at this point, falls somewhat short of what would enable this Board to determine whether or not, in (act, there is good cause for allowing the offer of an additional witness. The fact of the matter is, there have been two other expert witnesses identified and deposed, who, from the general discussion I heard today, would appear to cover the area mentioned by Mr. Cassel. So to simply have an offer as to what this additional witness will testify to, without having that joined with some kind of a statement as to what the other witnesses are already proposed to testify to, would not give you the information you need.

JUDGE SMITH: He is seeking guidance. We will discuss it during the morning recess, and if we can give you any guidance we will. Perhaps we can't. In that event, we will tell you, too.

MR. CASSEL: Thank you, Judge.

JUDGE SMITH: Are you ready for your crossexamination?

MR. CASSEL: There is one matter I needed to ask Mr. Miller about before we begin cross.

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JUDGE SMITH: While Mr. Cassel is conferring,

I'm going to pass these postcards among the parties.

(Documents distributed.)

(Discussion off the record.)

CROSS EXAMINATION (Resumed)

BY MR. CASSEL:

Q Mr. Tuetken, would you state your name and your position with Commonwealth Edison, please?

MR. MILLER: It's in his prepared direct testimony that has been moved into the record.

MR. CASSEL: I understand, Mike, but maybe we could lead into this in a logical fashion. Not everyone is aware of all the information in his direct testimony.

JUDGE SMITH: I'll tell you, counselor, if you are not fully aware of the information of his prepared direct testimony, you are not going to be permitted to cross-examine.

MR. CASSIL: Judge, I'm thoroughly aware. I don't need the information. I thought it would be useful to the next question. But if you would like to just get right to it, we'll get right to it with no preliminaries.

BY MR. CASSEL:

Q Mr. Tuetken, based on your professional standing as, I believe, a mechanical engineer -- as you testified in your deposition last week -- and on your years of

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	experience at the Byron site for Commonwealth Edison Company,			
2	were you able in your deposition last week to categorize			
3	all the inspections and attributes performed by Hunter,			
4	Hatfield, and PTL, according to four categories of safety			
5	significance, in your judgment?			
6	A (Witness Tuetken) I did so.			
7	Q And were those categories ranging from most			
8	important to safety, second most important, third most			
9	important, and least important to safety?			
10	A It could be characterized that way.			
11	Q I am now going to show you and your counsel a			
12	document, which I will ask the court reporter to mark as			
13	Intervenor's Tuetken Cross Exhibit R-1.			
14	JUDGE SMITH: Do you have a cross-examination			
15	plan?			
16	MR. CASSEL: Yes, sir. I distributed it last			
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BY MR. CASSEL:

Q This document, which I have asked to be marked as Inte venor's Tuetken Cross Exhibit R-1 --

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JUDGE SMITH: I'm sorry. I wasn't paying attention when you identified this. This will be Intervenor's Exhibit R-1.

Also, I was somewhat insensitive to your point in asking Mr. Tuetken his title. I realize now, for the benefit of the public and spectators, who do not have the direct testimony.

MR. CASSEL: Thank you, Judge. I just thought there are many people interested in this proceeding who perhaps don't even know what Mr. Tuetken's position with the company is. And it does make it convenient for the public to follow, with at least some minimal preliminary.

JUDGE SMITH: So would you briefly just say what you do now and what your job was during the relevant events?

WITNESS TUETKEN: My name is Richard P. Tuetken. My present position is stirtup coordinator for Byron Units 1 and 2. During the previous proceedings, I was the Assistant Superintendent for Project Construction Department, directly responsible Senior Construction Manager, directly responsible for implementation of the reinspection program.

MR. CASSEL: Thank you, Judge. Thank you, Mr. Tuetken.

BY MR. CASSEL:

Mr. Tuetken, Jet me first call our attention only to the first three pages of the exhibit and ask you if on

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the left hand side of the exhibit there appears a complete list of the procedures and inspection types undertaken by the Hatfield Electric Company, which were subject to the reinspection program?

A (Witness Tuetken) Could you rephrase the first part of the question?

Q Sure. On the left hand side of the first three pages, is that a complete list of the procedures and inspection types performed by the Matfield Electric Company, which was subject to the reinspection program?

A Yes, it is.

Q Is this the same list which you reviewed last week, with respect to Hatfield, in your deposition?

A Yes, it is.

Q And on the right hand side of the page, in the column which we have labeled Tuetken safety category, there appears a series of numbers, one, two, three. And on the second page, one of the categories is labeled least and in the third page one of the categories is labeled least.

Are those accurate reflections, to the best of your recollection, of the safety categories? One for most important, two for second, three for third, or least for least important, which you identified at your deposition last week?

A To the best of my recollection, they represent the

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information I provided in the deposition.

And what was the basis on which you determined, in a general way, whether to put a particular inspection type or procedure in the most important category? That is, category one.

A My opinion, using engineering judgment, as to primarily the components which are included in the inspection, installation and inspection activity and the relative importance to safety.

Q And was that the same standard by which you determined to place other inspections and procedures in lesser categories of importance?

A It is.

Q The next two pages, following the three Hatfield pages, which are labeled PTL 3-1 and PTL 3-2, do they represent a complete list of the attribute classifications and inspection types performed by PTL at Byron, which was subject to the reinspection program?

A They are.

Q Are these the same attribute classifications and inspection types which you reviewed at your deposition last week, with respect to PTL?

A To the best of my recollection, the numbers present my opinions and my answers.

Q And on the right hand side of the pages labeled

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PTL 3-1 and 3-2, under the heading Tuetken safety category, again we have indications of numbers for categories one, two, and three, or the word least for the category least important. Are those accurate reflections of the safety categories in which you placed these PTL inspection types at your deposition last week?

To the best of my recollection.

And following the page labeled PTL 3-2 we have a page labeled Hunter 2-1 which goes to the end of the exhibit, to page Hunter 2-9. Would you take a moment to review that? And after you've had an opportunity to review that, would you indicate whether the left hand side of the page contains a complete list of the attribute classifications and inspection types performed by Hunter at Byron, which was subject to the reinspection program?

They are.

And is this the same list of attribute classifications and inspection types for Hunter, which you reviewed at your deposition last week?

A They are.

On the right hand column, on each of the pages labeled Hunter, and the column Tuetken safety category, again we have various numbers, one, two, three and least. Do they accurately represent the safety categories in which you placed the Hunter inspections and attributes at your deposition last

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week, to the best of your recollection?

To the best of my recollection, they represent my answer.

Mr. Del George, at your deposition last week, you indicated I believe that you generally concurred with Mr. Tuetken, with respect to his placement in various safety categories of the attributes and insp ctions at Byron. Does that continue to be your view? Do you still agree with the safety classification which Mr. Tuetken made?

(Witness Del George) My recollection, I remember having indicated that I generally agreed with Mr. Tuetken. I just want to be sure that when we talk about safety classification that we are not constructing a standard by which things are evaluated, but a judgment was asked of us as to our ranking of individual activities, all of which are safety related and we provided that ranking.

I concurred in the ranking, as it was described by Mr. Tuetken.

And between the two of you, you have many years of joint experience with engineering issues related to Byron on which you based your classifications?

A Yes.

(Witness Tuetken) We do.

MR. CASSEL: At this time, Intervenors move the admission of Intervenor's Exhibit R-1 into the record, Judge.

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JUDGE SMITH: Are there objections?

MR. MILLER: Judge Smith, I don't know that there's been any showing of relevance of this categorization of various inspection elements to any issue in this proceeding.

MR. CASSEL: Judge, the heart of this proceeding, of course, are these three contractors and the inspections which they performed. In order to assess the safety significance of any shortcomings in the QA procedures, or in the hardware which emerged during the course of these hearings, I think it is helpful to have the judgment of two experienced Commonwealth Edison engineers familiar with Byron on which of the inspections are relatively more important than others.

I think its usefulness will become apparent as we get into the testimony over the next few days. If you want me to defer moving its admission until the first occasion for its use, I'd be happy to do that. But I think just as a general background document, it's useful for us all to know.

MR. MILLER: Judge Smith, I think it's been established on the record these witness created the classifications in response to questions asked of them at a deposition. They make no use of this categorization in their direct examination and I object to its admission on that

basis.

JUDGE SMITH: Not because of relevancy but because it goes beyond their direct examination?

MR. MILLER: That is part of certainly, but there has been no showing by Mr. Cassel how this categorization relates to the direct testimony that is before the Board.

JUDGE SMITH: The difficulty is you may be literally correct, but I can see how Mr. Cassel, in cross-examining these witness, can elicit almost the same information. And here it is, it's all neatly tabulated and it's conveniently there. Maybe we should take advantage of his offer to defer offering it until it actually comes up.

MR. CASSEL: I have no objection to that.

JUDGE SMITH: We will wait to see what the context is and whether you actually wish to depend upon it as a matter of evidence.

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MR. MILLER: May I inquire of the court reporter whether or not she's going to mark in her index where exhibits are offered, in terms of page number and then the page number where they're admitted? It's very helpful, in getting through the transcript, if that could be done.

BY MR. CASSEL:

- Mr. Shewski -- I'm sorry. Mr. Tuetken, the reinspection program, in the form on which it was implemented, was developed during January and February 1983, is that correct?
  - (Witness Tuetken) That's correct. A
- And it was developed by a small working group with a Commonwealth Edison consisting of approximately eight to ten persons?
  - To the best of my recollection.
- And among those persons were the three gentlemen seated here at the table, namely yourself, Mr. DelGeorge, and Mr. Shewski?
  - That is correct.
- Do you recall the names of other Edison personnel involved in that working committee?
- A Participants included a Mr. Wallace, Mr. Tram, and beyond that I would have to do some research.
- And is it to the best of your recollection, this working committee held from one to perhaps as many of three

meetings in the course of developing the program? 1 A One to three meetings, as it related to the 2 ultimate program, yes. 3 And the longest of those meetings, if there was 4 more than one, was approximately one-half day? 5 That's correct. 6 Did anyone outside Commonwealth Edison participate in the design or the redevelopment of the reinspection 8 program? 10 A They did not. 11 It was done strictly by this Edison working group? 12 A That's correct. You yourself are not an expert in the field 13 of statistics or statistical sampling, are you, Mr. Tuetken? 14 15 I am not an expert. To your knowledge, no one of the Edison people on 16 17 the working group are experts in that field? 18 Not to my knowledge. To your knowledge, no outside expert in the field 19 of statistics or sampling was consulted by the working group 21 to develop the program? 22 Could you restate the question? 23 To your knowledge, no outside expert in the field of statistics or statistical sampling was consulted by the 24

working group to help you develop the program?

1	A No outside expert was consulted.		
2	Q When did Edison first advise the Byron site		
3	contractors of the reinspection program?		
4	A In its ultimate form?		
5	Q Yes.		
6	A February of 1983.		
7	Q And approximately when, in February, did that		
8	take place?		
9	A Mid-month. I don't know the exact date.		
10	Q Do you recall testifying, at your deposition last		
11	week, that it was in late February?		
12	A Somewhere around the 22nd of February, but I'm no		
13	specific.		
14	Q Why do you say somewhere around the 22nd of		
15	February?		
16	A Because I can't recall, at the present time, the		
17	exact date of the first meeting.		
18	Q Was the first meeting at about the time that		
19	Edison sent its February 23 letter to the NRC, proposing the		
20	outline of the program as a response to the NRC's findings		
21	with respect to 8205?		
22	A That's correct.		
22	Q Do you recall whether the meeting with the		
24	contractors was before Edison proposed its response to the		
25	NRC on February 23 or after?		

1	A It was after we had presented it to them verbally		
2	and before we had submitted it to them in written form.		
3	Q And prior to that meeting, at about that time,		
4	no contractors were involved with Commonwealth Edison in		
5	the development of the reinspection program?		
6	A Not in the design or the development, no.		
7	Q One aspect of the design of the program, was it		
8	not, was the system for random selection of the inspectors		
9	to be reinspected? Is that correct?		
10	A That's correct.		
11	Q Let me refer your attention if I may and I'll		
12	provide you a copy of you need it to the reinspection		
13	program report. Do you have a copy there?		
14	A I do not.		
15	Q If not, perhaps I can provide one for you. And		
16	let me ask you to take a look specifically at page III-3.		
17	That is III-3 of the report.		
18	(Document handed to witness.)		
19	MR. CASSEL: We will pause a moment. I think		
20	we are all set.		
21	BY MR. CASSEL:		
22	Q On page III-3 of the document entitled Commonwealt		
23	Edison report on the Byron inspector reinspection program,		
24	Docket Numbers 50-454 and 50-455, February 1984, which as		
25	you know was supplemented in June 1984, which document has		

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not been admitted in evidence nor offered in evidence. On page III-3 of that document, there is a section entitled second element selection of inspectors. In the second paragraph, under that heading, the second sentence states "To ensure a representative selection of inspectors from the total population, Commonwealth Edison compiled rosters of the six contractor's QC inspectors."

Is it correct that the purpose of this sampling device was to ensure a representative selection of inspectors?

A (Witness Tuetken) Yes.

Q The second sentence after that says -- and it's in the middle of the paragraph -- "The first inspector on each roster was selected and every fifth inspector thereafter was included in the program." Is that an accurate representation of the method used for random sampling of inspectors?

A Yes.

Q So that if, for example, there was a contractor that had 100 inspectors, let's say, who had worked for him at Byron subject to the reinspection program, the sampling method would take the first and then every fifth thereafter? Is that correct?

A Based on level of certification, yes.

Q And that would mean that the first inspector would be taken, the sixth, the 11th, the 16th, and so forth?

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Q So this did not mean, then, the first and then every fifth thereafter. It would skip only four to the fifth inspector, rather than skipping five to the sixth inspector?

A It skipped four in the first selection and then every fifth after that.

What was the reason for that uneven skip? That is, a short skip on the first jump and an even five after that? Why didn't you just do the first and every fifth, like it says here?

The February 23rd proposal we gave the NRC identified we would select the fifth and every fifth. The NRC, in their acceptance, elected to accept the first. The NRC had the first inspector, the program was called for the fifth, tenth, 15th, and 25th.

The random selection mechanism used was important to ensure, was it not, that no contractor would be able to have any influence whatever over which inspectors would be subject to reinspection and which would not, is that correct?

A That is correct.

If a contractor had been able to have some influence over which of his inspectors was subject to the reinspection, that might have enabled the contractor to attempt to bias the results in favor of the contractor,

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MR. MILLER: I'm going to object, unless there's going to be a foundation laid. There should be some representation by counsel that he intends to show, at some point in this proceeding, that that in fact took place.

JUDGE SMITH: Counsel, by a slight variation he can change the question to see if that was their concern.

BY MR. CASSEL:

Was it your concern, Mr. Tuetken, to have the random selection in order to ensure that no contractor would be able to attempt to bias the results in his favor?

(Witness Tuetken) I'm not sure the program development made that consideration. It did not come to my mind.

JUDGE SMITH: Have I destroyed your line of testimony?

MR. CASSEL: I don't think so, Judge. We'll get there and the truth will out, one way or the other, quite soon.

#### BY MR. CASSEL:

In your judgment, Mr. Tuetken, in your engineering judgment, which you used in participating in the design of the program, might it have undermined your confidence and the credibility of the program if you knew that any contractor did have any role in determining which of his

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MR. MILLER: I'm going to make the same objection I did before, Judge. I think there ought to be some representation that that, in fact, occurred and that Mr. Cassel is prepared to prove it, either by documents he has, or by a witness who is going to come forward. Because he's otherwise asking Mr. Tuetken to speculate about a state of facts that are never going to be established on this record.

MR. CASSEL: The purpose of this line of questioning is to find out what Mr. Tuetken -- not only what his purpose was, but what his judgment of the program design was. This is a question relevant to his judgment on the program design.

JUDGE SMITH: Yes, with that limitation, I think that your line of questioning is perfectly agreeable.

WITNESS TUETKEN: Could you restate the question? MR. CASSEL: I'll attempt to do so, if I can reconstruct it at this point.

BY MR. CASSEL:

If it had come to your attention that any contractor had any role whatever that might have enabled him to select -- to influence the selection of which of his inspectors was subject to reinspection, would that have undermined your confidence and the credibility of the program results for that contractor?

A (Witness Tuetken) I will try and answer. I did not have any belief that the contractors would have any intent to bias the program. This methodology, in my mind, established a clinical method -- in other words, a more controllable method to establish random sampling.

Q But in fact, no contractor involved in the program was able to influence which of his inspectors were reinspected and which not? Is that correct?

A Not the way the program was established.

And one of the reasons that no contractor was able to so influence the selection was because none of the contractors were involved in the design of the program and the random selection design, is that correct?

A That's correct.

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played no	role	whate	ever	in the	design o	of the	program
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- A Played no role in design; that's correct.
- Q And no role in designing the selection basis, having every fifth inspector, beginning with the fifth inspector?
  - A No role in designing; that's correct.
- Q Mr. Tuetken, I am now going to show your counsel and you a document which I will ask the court reporter to mark as Intervenors' Exhibit R-2 for identification.

(The document referred to was marked Intervenors'

Exhibit R-2 for identification.)

(Document distributed to Board and parties.)
BY MR. CASSEL:

Q Mr. Tuetken, have you ever seen Intervenors' Exhibit R-2 for identification before?

- A (Witness Tuetken) I have.
- Q When did you first see it, if you recall?
- A When it was created in 1983.
- Q Would you describe it for the record?
- A It's the results of the meeting that we had with the contractors, post the February 3rd meeting with

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the NRC, mich identified -- wherein we identified our proposal for reinspection to NRC. Subsequent to that meeting, we consulted with the contractors, identifying that an activity was going to be taking place, identifying the concept of the activity, and this only restates the guidance that they received from us.

Q Is it correct that the first four pages of the exhibit are a copy of a letter dated February 16, 1983, from Mr. Somsag, the quality assurance supervisor at Hunter, addressed to Commonwealth Edison Company, Attention Mr. R. P. Tuetken.

A Correct.

Q And is it correct that Attachment 1 to that letter is a copy of the sampling plan which Hunter Corporation had received from Commonwealth Edison prior to the submission of this February 16 letter?

A It is.

Q Does this letter refresh your recollection as to the time during February of 1983 when Edison first met with any contractors concerning the reinspection program?

A It more specifically identifies the first meeting was February 7, identifying the program.

Q And at the time that February 7 meeting was held, did you already have written out the letter which was sent to the NRC on February 23 describing the program

mgc 5-3 1 design? Not in its ultimate format, no. 3 Referring to the fourth page of the February 16 4 letter, there is a line entitled "Proposal Accepted," 5 an initial, and then the word "Tuetken." Is that your signature over the word, "R.P. Tuetken," there? A Yes, sir. 8 And that's dated June 9, 1983? 0 0 Correct. 10 And there's a notation, guote, "Previously 11 identified verbally in March, 1983, the acceptability of 12 proposal," end quote? 13 That's correct. A 14 And that's accurate? 15 Correct. 16 Referring to Attachment 1, do you recall when 17 you gave or when Edison provided Attachment 1 to the 18 contractors? 19 A Exactly, no. Probably February 7th. 20 Did you provide it to them in a meeting with 0 21 them? 22 Yes. A 23 Do you recall any meetings other than the 24 February 7th meeting prior to this February 16th letter 25 with the contractors about the reinspection program?

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A Meetings in what context?

Meetings with the Hunter Corporation concerning the reinspection program prior to February 16th.

If you classify phone calls and singular individual-to-individual meetings in the course of the program concept, I inquired as to our ability to create the data search that was ultimately proposed in the February 23 letter.

And did you make inquiries of that nature to the Hunter Corporation?

And others.

Do you recall approximately how many communications you had with the contractors about the reinspection program during the time period when you were designing it in January and February of 1983, prior to the February 7 meeting?

More than one. The population I cannot specifically recall.

Referring your attention to Point ! of Attachment 1, does that indicate that the sampling plan calls for a selection of every fifth inspector?

That is correct.

Referring your attention to page 1 of Exhibit R-2, paragraph (1)(b), does that indicate that the method of accomplishing the selection of every fifth

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inspector will be to begin with the fifth inspector
certified, and thereafter to take every fifth inspector?

A I've lost where you took me to read that.

Q Referring to the first page of the exhibit, paragraph (1)(b), the first sentence, does that specify that the method for taking every fifth inspector shall be to begin with the fifth inspector?

A Yes.

Q Is that the first written indication in any document that you are aware of with respect to the reinspection program that the method would be to begin with the fifth inspector?

A Will you restate the first part of your question?

MR. MILLER: Which document are you referring to?

BY MR. CASSEL:

Q Is this sentence here, paragraph (1)(b) in the February 16th letter, which says that the selection will begin with the fifth inspector, is that the first written indication that the program is to begin with the fifth inspector, that you are aware of?

A (Witness Tuetken) No, The Attachment 1 which was provided to the contractors, was provided -- was the first indication to select every fifth inspector.

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mac 5-6 1 Q I understand that. But in addition to selecting every fifth inspector, you have to begin somewhere. 3 You could begin with Inspector No. 1, No. 2, No. 3, et cetera. 5 Is this statement on the first page of 6 Exhibit R-2 the first written indication of which you are aware that the specific method for the reinspection program will be to begin with the fifth inspector certified? I would have to review data of the February 3rd 10 meeting with NRC to make that determination. 11 At the moment, you do not specifically recall 12 any documents that set forth that beginning point before 13 this one? 14 A No. 15 And at the time this statement was made in 16 the Hunter letter of February 16th, did Hunter know what 17 the chronological listing of its inspectors was by their date of certification? 19 Did Hunter know? If you want me to answer that, 20 you have to define "know." 21 Did they have a roster at the time they sent 22 you this letter? 23 A No. 24 0 They did not?

I do not believe they did.

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Q So that they were not -- at the time they sent this letter, they were not in a position to know what the result of picking every fifth inspector, beginning with the fifth inspector, would be for their inspectors?

A I do not believe they did.

Q Let me refer your attention to Attachment 2 to this exhibit, and ask you to -- ask you if you have ever seen Attachment 2 before?

A Yes.

Q And you saw it at the time you received this letter?

A Yes.

Q What is Attachment 2?

A It is a chronologic listing of the roster.

Q Does that change your testimony of a moment ago about whether Hunter knew what the results would be, beginning with the fifth inspector, when they sent you the letter of February 16th?

A Restate your question again?

Q Does this Attachment 2 change the testimony that you provided a moment ago to the effect that you did not believe that Hunter knew, when it sent you the February 16 letter, what the results would be in terms of which inspectors would be included if they started with the fifth inspector?

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A In the February 16th letter, I would agree with that. They would not know at the February 7th meeting, I do not believe.

Q In Attachment 2, certain of the names of the inspectors are underlined. Is that an indication of every fifth inspector by date of certification, beginning with the fifth?

A Yes, sir.

Q So at the time that Hunter sent you the February 16th letter, they knew which inspectors, by name, would be included in the inspection program, if they were to begin with the fifth; is that right?

A Yes.

Q And were these inspectors whose names are underlined in Attachment 2 to Exhibit R-2, in fact, reinspected in the reinspection program?

A Not -- I'd have to do some research. Not necessarily as stated. They could have been selected, found no work recreateable. The program then required to go to the next chronological inspector.

O But except for an inspector who was looked at for the reason you just described, and it was determined that he could not be reinspected, to your knowledge was this listing, the underlined names, the selection of Hunter inspectors that were actually inspected in the reinspection

mac 5-9 program? 2 I believe it is. A 3 JUDGE COLE: Hunter Level 2 inspectors. 4 MR. CASSEL: Hunter Level 2 inspectors. 5 BY MR. CASSEL: 6 Is there also, the fourth page of the attachment, 7 the listing of the Level 1 inspectors? 8 (Witness Tuetken) That's correct. 9 And earlier when you testified that the selection 10 method was based on level of inspectors, did you mean that 11 there was one chronological listing for Level 2 and one 12 chronological listing for Level I and every fifth inspector, 13 beginning with the fifth, was taken from each of those 14 listings? 15 Yes. 16 End 5 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25

Q Mr. Tuetken, I am now going to show you and your counsel a document which I will ask the court reporter to mark as Intervenor's Exhibit R-3 for identification.

(The document referred to was marked as Intervenor's Exhibit R-3 for identification.)

(Document distributed.)

BY MR. CASSEL:

Q I'll ask you to identify, if you can, what this exhibit is.

A (Witness Tuetken) This is a typed-out listing of program activities identifying inspectors left to right column. Contractor's specification is equally equivalent to the contractor by name. In the case here, 2739 is Hunter.

The second column is a column identifying initial cerfitication dates. The third column is level. It's either level I or level II inspector.

The fourth column is name. The fifth column is population, primarily identifying where these initial pick, being fifth, tenth, 15th, et ceter or NRC pick, which the program allowed, or a substituted pick because of the activities of the program. And then the results at one point in time, in this case January.

Q And under the column entitled population, are the only inspectors who have an entry in that column,

1	inspectors who were, in fact, reinspected or who were select
2	for reinspection but for one reason or another had to be
3	passed on to the next inspector?
4	A I think the answer is yes. What did you state,
5	in the middle part of your question?
6	Q Can one identify, from the column entitled popu-
7	lation, which of the Hunter inspectors were, in fact,
8	reinspected?
9	A Yes.
10	Q And one can identify them because those who
11	were reinspected have an entry in the column entitled
12	population?
13	A Yes.
14	And those who were not reinspected, or who were
15	never selected for possible reinspection, have no entry in
16	the column entitled population?
17	F Correct.
18	JUDGE SMITH: One inspector is designated as
19	substituted. Does that mean that he was inspected?
20	WITNESS TUETKEN: Yes.
21	JUDGE SMITH: How about one that is designated
22	next?
23	WITNESS TUETKEN: He's in activity because the
24	previously selected inspector had no items recreatable.

JUDGE SMITH: So next and substituted is the same?

WITNESS TUETKEN: For different purposes.

BY MR. CASSEL:

On the question just asked by the Judge, with respect to inspectors entitled substitute, was there a random method for determining which of the other inspectors would be substituted when a substitution was needed?

A (Witness Tuetken) That was identified. We'd do the next chronological inspector certified in the area in question, in the substitution activities because of an inspector who was in this population failing to meet the acceptable rate at the end of his first three months and having no more inspections to validate his performance in the second.

- Who would make that determination?
- A I don't understand your question.
- Q Would Hunter make that determination or would Edison make that determination?
- A Edison made the determination of who to substitute based on our agreement with the NRC.
- Q So the identification by name of a substitute inspector was made by Edison, rather than by Hunter?
  - A Correct.
- Q Does a review of Exhibit R-3 for identification enable you now to answer the question whether the inspectors whose names were underlined in Attachment to Hunter's letter

of February 16, 1983 were, in fact, either reinspected or selected for reinspection?

A You're asking me, for example, if the fifth individual identified in Attachment 2 -- R-2 -- is the same as an inspector listed on Exhibit R-3?

Q That's correct.

A I believe they are. I'd have to do a direct correlation. The fifth one is, the tenth one is, the 15th one is, the 20th is, the 25th is, the 30th is, the 35th is, the 40th is, the 45th is, the 50th is, the 55th is, and the 60th is, at the Level II categorization.

In the Level I inspector categorization, the fifth is, the tenth is. For point of identification, none of his work was recreatable and therefore another individual was selected, which is identified in your Exhibit R-3.

The 15th is and the 20th is.

Q And that completes the listing of all the inspectors whose names were underlined in the February 16th letter, correct?

A Yes, sir.

Q So that each and everybone of the inspectors identified in Hunter's February 16th letter was, in fact, either reinspected or selected for reinspection and couldn't be reinspected for one reason or another.

A They were reinspected.

And was the same method of random selection used 1 for Hatfield as for Hunter? Define same. 3 That is, every fifth inspector beginning with 4 the fifth? 5 A Yes. Except that, later on, at the NRC's request, the first inspector was added, in addition to the fifth 8 inspector in every case? A Yes. Plus, the NRC added additional inspectors 10 of their own choice. new bu MR. CASSEL: At this time, Judge, I would move 12 the admission of Intervenor Exhibit R-2 and R-3 for 13 identification into evidence. 14 15 MR. MILLER: No objection. MR. LEWIS: No objection. 16 JUDGE SMITH: The echibits are received. 17 18 (The documents previously 19 marked for identification as 20 Intervenor's Exhibit R-2 and 21 R-3 were received into evidence.) MR. CASSEL: I will now show you a document, which 22 OR I am showing your counsel -- which I will ask the court 23 reporter to mark as Intervenor's Exhibit R-4 for 24

identification.

(The document referred to was marked as Intervenor's Exhibit R-4 for identification.)

## BY MR. CASSEL:

I will represent, for the record, by the way, and get into it at greater length, that these are documents produced by Commonwealth Edison in response to a request from the Intervenors for production of memoranda or notes prepared by contractors with respect to the reinspection program.

And let me refer your attention, Mr. Tuetken, to the seventh page of the exhibit which, just for purposes of convenience, is the page that is headed Hatfield Electric QA/QC personnel, first certification summary.

- A (Witness Tuetken) Yes, sir.
- Q Now that page is the first page of a four page list, is it not, of Hatfield QA/QC personnel?
  - A Yes, sir.
- And at the bottom of the fourth page in that list, there's an indication that two asterisks indicates Level II inspectors to be reinspected and one asterisk indicates Level I inspectors to be reinspected?
- A My copy does not have -- has one asterisk, but that's the intent, I think.
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MR. CASSEL: Mr. Miller, will you stipulate at the bottom of page 4 there it indicates, on the original, two asterisks for Level II inspectors and one asterisk for Level I inspectors?

JUDGE SMITH: I don't think you're looking at the page that he thinks you are.

MR. MILLER: The very last page of this four page list.

JUDGE SMITH: Excuse me. All right.

MR. MILLER: Judge Smith, I think it's important for the record, and for the examination of the witness, that -- I don't know that these documents, even though they're stabled together as one exhibit, are necessarily all related to one another.

There has been no showing of the date of the specific pages that Mr. Cassel is inquiring in. These pieces of paper have been handled by numbers of lawyers, paralegals, and Xerox machine operators.

So as long as everybody is clear that this is a document stapled together, as far as I know, by the Intervenors and called Intervenor's Exhibit R-4 --

MR. CASSEL: That's an accurate characterization, except that this is in the form it was given to us by Edison Company. If you would prefer to have these four pages taken out and labeled as a separate exhibit, we'd be

happy to do it that way. And it is correct that various things in here do not necessarily relate to other things.

But a number of them will be coming up in the questioning.

MR. MILLER: I have no objection, as long as we understand what pages we're looking at. And with the representation that I made about these papers not necessarily constituting one document in their original condition.

MR. CASSEL: Fine.

BY MR. CASSEL:

Q Mr. Tuetken, just to be clear again now, on the fourth page of this four page list -- and do you know what four page list we're referring to?

A (Witness Tuetken) I believe you're referring to this page here.

(Indicating.)

MR. CASSEL: For the record, the withess is indicating the fourth page of the four page list, beginning with the title Hatfield Electric QA/QC personnel first certification summary. And that document is -- begins on the 7th page of Exhibit R-4 for identification.

JUDGE SMITH: This is one reason why we requested documents to be serially numbered, for the purpose of this case. In proposed findings, this is going to be almost impossible for me to designate.

MR. CASSEL: If it would be helpful, Judge, I

would ask if we could mark, by page number, each of the pages in Exhibit R-4.

JUDGE SMITH: That's what I recommend be done from beginning to end. It would help the cross-examination and certainly it's going to help in writing a decision.

BY MR. CASSEL:

Q Mr. Tuetken, I will mark them on my exhibit. If you would mark them on yours, the record may be clearer.

JUDGE SMITH: And it will be your responsibility to mark the three exhibits that are received into evidence. It will be your responsibility to mark those. The reporter will utimately possess three official copies. It will be your responsibility to mark them.

MR. CASSEL: Yes, sir.

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2	Q Beginning with the first page. Mark that
3	Page 1.
4	A (Witness Tuetken) QA/QC Memorandum No. 736.
5	Q That's right.
6	A We're drawing an assumption that I know that
7	this is in the same format as yours. I will do as you
8	directed, but I will question
9	Q When you refer to a specific page number as
10	we go through the questions, I will identify the document
11	and that way we'll make sure that we have the same page.
12	JUDGE CALLIHAN: Mr. Cassel, you said page 1
13	is a copy of a memorandum from Mr. Buchanan to all the
14	inspectors, dated March 12, 1983?
15	MR. CASSEL: Yes, Judge.
16	JUDGE COLE: Some of these pages aren't
17	legible, Mr. Cassel. For example, page 14.
18	MR. CASSEL: I believe that's correct, Judge,
19	and the only pages I believe I will be relying on are
20	the legible pages.
21	JUDGE SMITH: I ended up with 27 pages.
22	MR. CASSEL: As did I. If anybody does not
23	end up with 27 pages, please let us know.
24	BY MR. CASSEL:
25	Q Have you completed numbering your pages,

A I have. 3 And you have 27 pages? I do. 5 Referring to page 10 of the exhibit, is that 6 where the footnote is, indicating that there are two 7 asterisks which indicated Level 2 inspectors to be reinspected, and one asterisk indicates Level 1 inspectors to be reinspected? 10 A I repeat, my copy has only one asterisk shown. 11 It's next to the comment, "Level 2 inspectors to be 12 reinspected." 13 I believe your counsel and I have stipulated 14 that that's a problem with the Xeroxing. In fact, there 15 should be two asterisks next to Level 2 and one next to 16 Level 1. 17 JUDGE SMITH: In executing that stipulation 18 physically, then, if it's agreeable, mark the exhibit 19 consistant with the stipulation. Put the asterisks on 20 the exhibit that is received into evidence. BY MR. CASSEL: 22 And on pages 7 through 10 of the exhibit, are 23 there not, next to certain names, two asterisks and next 24 to other names one asterisk?

(Witness Tuetken) Yes.

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Mr. Tuetken?

mgc 7-3 1 Q And on the top of page 7 in the upper righthand 2 corner, there is a notation that appears to read, "Dick, 3 Suggested list." 4 Is that "Dick" yourself? 5 A Myself. 6 And there's a set of initials after that. 7 you know whose they are? 8 James Buchanan. 9 And you saw this document when it was 10 originally submitted to you by Mr. Buchanan? 11 A Yes. 12 Do you recall approximately when that was? 13 A Sometime in February. 14 Lo you know whether the inspectors who have 15 asterisks next to their names were, in fact, reinspected --16 were selected for reinspection? 17 I know that -- I will talk my way down the 18 roadmap. The fifth individual with a Roman numberal II 19 in the column, I know he was reinspected. 20 By name, if you could identify him? 21 A D. Hoffman. 22 You are now referring to page 7? 0 23 Yes. 24 (Pause.) 25 Do you wish that I continue?

Surely. You know that Mr. D. Hoffman was reinspected. Okay.

Are you going to give us now each person who you know to be reinspected, or only the ones who have an asterisk next to their name and indicate whether they were, in fact, reinspected?

Why don't we start with the ones who have asterisks? So the next one after Mr. Hoffman, if I am correct, would be Mr. E. Dumas.

- A That is correct. He was reinspected.
- And Mr. J. Elgin is following Mr. Dumas.

A I believe he was. I can't recall the name specifically. I have a document which I can reference.

- And after him comes Mr. T. Smitt.
- Yes.
  - Would it be helpful to show you the document which you said you could reference to determine who was, in fact, reinspected?
    - I have a copy of it here.
  - I think I do, too, and why don't we just have it marked as the next exhibit.

JUDGE SMITH: I wonder if we're not using hearing time here for discovery. Certainly it is known between the two of you who was reinspected here.

MR. CASSEL: I think it's helpful to clarify

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what I would like to get into the record as the particular sequence of the Hatfield inspectors.

JUDGE SMITH: All right.

MR. CASSEL: In fact, the next exhibit, I think the witness will identify the next exhibit as the actual listing of the Hatfield inspectors who were reinspected.

JUDGE SMITH: While you're searching through your papers, I think this would be a good time to take a midmorning break.

(Recess.)

JUDGE SMITH: Are we ready to proceed? The Board extended the break, because we discussed at rather great length your statement concerning the witness. We have several observations to make which may be of guidance to you.

One is, the fact that your proposed witness came forward and volunteered last night was virtually irrelevant as far as timeliness is concerned. The issue has been kno. since the date of the remand.

If it had been perhaps a fact witness that had information necessary to a decision, that might be another consideration. This one is being offered as an expert witness. The fact that he identified himself yesterday is irrelevant.

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produce his testimony anyway. That is always your right. But before you expend a great deal of effort at it, it would have to be truly extraordinary information that he has to offer at this late date and the delay that that would cause.

Proceed.

BY MR. CASSEL:

Mr. Tuetken, I will now show you a document and your counsel a document which I will ask the court reporter to label as Intervenors' Exhibit R-5 for identification.

> (The document referred to was marked Intervenors' Exhibit No. P-5 for identification.)

(Document distributed to Board, parties and witnesses.)

JUDGE SMITH: There is a point that I forgot to make with respect to your witness.

MR. CASSEL: Certainly, Judge.

JUDGE SMITH: We also recognize that the fact that he came forward late does not foreclose a possibility of him lending his assistance to the Intervenors, if he sees fit. We have no control over that, nor do the other parties have standing to object to anyone

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who offers you assistance.

MR. CASSEL: Thank you, Judge.

BY MR. CASSEL:

Mr. Tuetken, is this a list of Hatfield inspectors at Byron in the order of the date of their initial certification which you provided to me through Mr. Miller this morning?

(Witness Tuetken) Yes.

MR. CASSEL: I apologize, Judge. I have provided to perhaps one of the Board members, I've given a marked copy with colored numbers in blue or red.

WITNESS TUETKEN: I have the red and blue.

MR. CASSEL: I'll give you a nice clean one in exchange, although I'm going to ask you to mark down the same numbers and see what happens.

BY MR. CASSEL:

Mr. Tuetken, was the same method for selection of the inspectors used for Hatfield as it was for Hunter?

(Witness Tuetken) Yes, sir.

Namely every fifth inspector, beginning with the fifth and also the first and doing that separately according to the level of certification.

> A Yes.

Referring to the first page of the document that has been marked Exhibit R-5 for identification, --

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JUDGE SMITH: At this point, you have not really identified it very well. It's title and date is identical with your Exhibit 3.

## BY MR. CASSEL:

This is the list, is it not, of the inspectors by date of initial certification for the Hatfield Company, as opposed to Exhibit 3, which was the list for the Hunter Corporation; is that correct, Mr. Tuetken?

(Witness Tuetken) That is correct.

MR. MILLER: There are different dates on them, Judge Smith, in the upper lefthand --

JUDGE SMITH: All right. Excuse me. That's perfectly adequate.

## BY MR. CASSEL:

And again, by looking at Exhibit R-5, one can identify which inspectors were reinspected or selected for reinspection, because the ones who were have a notation in the column headed "Population"; is that correct?

(Witness Tuetken) Yes.

And if one took the column headed "Level," for example, for Level 2 inspectors, and one started with the first and then the fifth, one should find that every fifth thereafter was selected for reinspection; is that correct?

> A Yes.

0 All right. Well, let's start on the first page

mgc 7-9 1	then, and 1	et's deal with Level 2 for starters.
2		The first Level 2 is Mr. D. Rice; is that
3	correct?	
4	A	Correct.
5	Q	And he was, in fact, selected?
6	A	Correct.
7	Q	The second one is Mr. Donica, correct?
8	A	Ms. Donica. I'm sorry.
9	Q	I'm sorry. Mr. or Ms. Donica, correct?
10	A	Yes. But not reinspected.
11	Ω	That's right. I'm just identifying them here.
12		The third and fourth, who were not reinspected,
13	were Messrs	. Johnson and Wright; is that correct?
14	A	Correct.
15	Q	The fifth, who was reinspected, was Mrs. Hoffman,
16	correct?	
. 17	A	Yes.
18	Q	The sixth was Mr. P. Lane, correct?
19	A	Yes.
20	Q	The seventh was Mr. J. Buchanan, correct?
21	A	Yes.
22	Q	The eighth, Mr. E. Getzelman, correct?
23	A	Yes.
24	Q	The ninth, Mr. K.A. Cripps, correct?
25	A	Yes.

mgc 7-10 1	Q	The tent, Mr. or Mrs. E. Dumas, correct?
2	A	Yes.
3	Q	And Mr. Dumas, he should have or she should
4	have been -	- was, ir fact, selected for reinspection?
5	A	Yes.
6	Q	The eleventh was Mr. W. Jackson or Mrs.?
7	A	Yes.
8	Q	Turning to the next page, the twelfth was
9	Mr. or Mrs.	R. Barziloski?
10	A	Yes.
- 11	Q	The thirteenth was Mr. or Mrs. R. Mulkey?
12	A	Yes.
13	Q	The fourteenth was Mr. or Mrs. T. Smith?
14	A	Yes.
15	Q	The fifteenth was Mr. or Mrs. J. Malunda?
16	A	Yes.
17	Ω	Was Mr do you know whether that's a Mr. or
18	a Mrs. or wh	nat?
19	A	It's a Mr.
20	Q	Was Mr. J. Malunda he was the fifteenth
21	Level 2 insp	pector by date of certification, right?
22	A	Yes.
23	Q	Was he reinspected?
24	A	Based on this list, that's correct.
25	Q	Was he reinspected?

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                         The nineteenth was Mr. T. Wells?
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                         The twenty-second, Mr. J. Hayes, at the bottom
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                         On the next page now, the twenty-third, was
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             Mr. S. Wagner?
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               A Yes.
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7-12 1	Q	The twenty-fourth was Mr. H. Hanson?
2	A	Yes.
3	Q	Twenty-fifth was Mr. J. Ogsbury?
4	A	Yes.
5	Q	He was not selected for reinspection, was he?
6	A	That's correct.
7	Q	After that, I believe we begin to get into
8	by the time	we get into the thirtieth, we're down into
9	dates after	the period of the reinspection program; is
10	that correct	?
71	A	Excuse me?
12	Q	I'm sorry. We ended with Mr. J. Ogsbury, who
13	is the twent	cy-fifth, and his date of certification was
14	June 3rd of	1982, correct?
15	A	According to this list, J. Ogsbury is 5/28.
16	Q	I'm sorry. I misread it. It was May 28,
17	'82, correct	?
18	A	Yes.
19	Q	And Mr. Souder was No. 26, is that correct?
20	A	Yes.
21	Q	Mr. Ruefer was No. 27?
22	A	Yes.
23	0	Mr. J. Spangler was No. 28?
24	A	Yes.
25	Q	Mr. J. Spangler was certified September 24, 1982;

is that correct?

A That's correct.

Q Now is he already beyond the date where you have the cutoff?

A Yes.

Q So any of the ones that came later on were after the reinspection program and wouldn't have been reinspected, correct?

A Correct.

Q Let's try Level 1.

1	A All right.
2	Q Is it correct, back on the first page of the
3	exhibit, that the first Level I inspector was Mr. J.
4	Anderson?
5	A Yes.
6	. Q And he, as he should have been, was selected for
7	reinspection, wasn't he?
8	A Yes.
9	Q The second one was Mr. Hardenbrook? The second
10	Level I inspector, chronologically, was Mr. Hardenbrook?
11	A Which list are you referring to?
12	2 I'm referring to the first page of Exhibit R-5.
13	And the category entitled Level.
14	A Yes.
15	Q The second Level I inspector chronologically was
16	Mr. Hardenbrook, correct?
17	A Correct.
18	Q The third was Mr. Getzelman?
19	A Correct.
20	Q The fourth was Mr. Droege?
21	A Correct.
22	Q And the fifth was Mr. J. Elgin, correct?
23	A Correct.
24	Q And he was selected for reinspection, as he
25	should have been, correct?

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     correct?
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                The 11th was Mr. H. Holze, correct?
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                The 12th was Mr. J. Merritt?
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                The 13th was Mr. J. Konowal?
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          Q The 14th was Mr. Dobosh?
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                The 15th was Mr. A. Blake?
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1	Q	Was Mr. A. Blake selected for reinspection?
2	A	He was not.
3	Q	The 16th was Mr. F. Keep?
4	A	Yes.
5	Q	The 17th was Mr. J. Fornwall?
6	A	Yes.
7	Q	18th, Mr. J. Wilson?
8	A	Yes.
9	Q	19th, Mr. S. Bindenagel?
10	A	Yes.
-11	Q	The 20th, Mr. D. McDuffie? Is that correct.
12	A	Yes.
13	Q	Was Mr. D. McDuffie selected for reinspection?
14	A	He was not.
15	Q	The 21st was Mr. G. Sarver, correct?
16	A	Yes.
17	ð	The 22nd, Mr. S. Hubler?
18	A	Yes.
19	Q	The 23rd, Mr. D. Nicholson?
20	A	Yes.
21,	Q	The 24th, Mr. D. Stoner?
22	A	Yes.
23	Q	25th, Mr. L. Kiergaard?
24	A	Yes.

And was number 25, Mr. Kiergaard selected for

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1	reinspecti	on?
2	A	No, he was not.
3	Q	Number 26 was Mr. R. Ewbank?
4	А	Yes.
5	Q	Number 27, Mr. R. Riemer?
6	A	Yes.
7	Q	Number 28, Mr. J. Resick?
8	A	Yes.
9	Q	Turning to the next page, number 29 was Mr.
10	D. Meyer?	
11	A	Yes.
12	2	And number 30 was Mr. J. Anderson?
13	A	Yes.
14	Q	Was Mr. J. Anderson selected for reinspection?
15	A	No.
16	Q	Number 31, Mr. J. Eggum?
17	A	Yes.
18	Q	32, Mr. R. Emerson?
19	A	Yes.
20	Q	33, Mr. D. Ahlquist?
21	Α ′	Yes.
22	Q	34, Mr. B. Mandurano?
23	A	Yes.
24	3	Number 35, Mr. B. Peterson? Is that correct?
25	A	Yes.

1	0	Was Mr. B. Peterson selected for reinspection?
2	A	No.
3	Q	Number 36 was Mr. D. Dehmlow?
4	A	Yes.
5	Q	Number 37, D. Hoffman?
6	A	Yes.
7	2	38, D. Opatrny?
8	A	Yes.
9	Q	39, D. Perko?
10	A	Yes.
11	Q	40, Mr. E. Sarver?
12	A	Yes.
13	Q	Was Mr. E. Sarver selected for reinspection?
14	A	No.
15	Q	Number 41, Mr. F. Rickert?
16	A	Yes.
17	Q	Number 42, Mr. H. Kainz?
18	Α.	Yes.
19	2	43, Mr. J. Mandurano?
20	. A	Yes.
21"	Q	44, J. Mulroney?
22*	A	Yes.
23	Q	45, J. Pathman, is that correct?
24	A	Yes.

Was J. Pathman selected for reinspection?

1	A	No.
2	Q	Number 46 was J. Wood?
3	A	Yes.
4	Q	47, 11. Momaly?
5	A	Yes.
6	Q	48, R. Peterson?
7	A	Yes.
8	Q	49, S. Webb?
9	A	Yes.
10	2	50, T. Joyce?
11	A	Yes.
12	Q	Was Mr. T. Joyce selected for reinspection?
13	A	No.
14	Q	Number 51 was C. Lindberg?
15	A	Yes.
16	Q	52 was A. Schutt?
17	A	Yes.
18	Q	53 was K. Knoebber?
19	A	Yes.
20	2 ,	54 was S. Wagner?
21	A	Yes.
22	Q	Next page, 55 was R. Ruefer?
23	A	Yes.
24	Q	Was Mr. Ruefer selected for reinspection?
25	A	No.

1	Q And 56 is G. Berry?
2	A Yes.
3	Q 57 is S. Karr?
4	A Yes.
5	Q 58 is S. Cullen?
6	A You are outside.
7	Q I'm sorry. Now, when we get to S. Cullen now,
8	we're beyond the period of the reinspection program, is
9	that correct?
10	A Correct.
11	Q To your knowledge, Mr. Tuetken, is this an
12	accurate listing of the Hatfield inspectors, by date of
13	certification?
14	A To my knowledge, it's accurate.
15	MR. CASSEL: I now move the admission of
16	Intervenor's R-5 into the record, Judge.
17	JUDGE SMITH: Any objection?
18	MR. MILLER: I just wonder, is he going to ask
19	Mr. Tuetken to explain the listing or is he going to leave
20	i.t up to me?
21	JUDGE SMITH: If someone doesn't, you can bet it
22	will come up from here.
23	BY MR. CASSEL:
24	Q Mr. Tuetken, you're going to get asked sooner

or 1 ter, why were so many of the every fifth inspectors not

## reinspected for Hatfield?

A (Witness Tuetken) You will recognize, as you go through this list that you just reviewed, some inspectors were all certified on the same day. Therefore, when you have multiple inspectors certified on the same day, they were selected alphabetically, being that they were all certified on the same day, and then you go into the next fifth inspector. Therefore you shirted that -- that event shifts the condition, as you see it reported here.

For example, on 8-10-81, as shown on page 2, there were four inspectors all selected on the same day.

On 6-5 -- oh, on 8-10, you will see Mr. Blake, whose last name begins with B, was selected in lieu of Mr. Keep and Mr. Fornwall.

- Q He should have been selected, right?
- A Correct?
  - Q Was he, in fact, selected?
  - A Excuse me, he was not.
    - Q He should have been selected, shouldn't he?
- A The disconnect of counting occurs at an earlier point in time.

(Pause.)

Q Have you any further explanation, Mr. Tuetken, as to the fact that every fifth inspector appears not to have been selected?

The disconnect occurs in the area of Mr. Mulkey, who was a Level II inspector in the 13 series. And this working listing records it as a Level I and a Level II. 3 He was inspected as 11-2, so the continuation of this listing breaks at this point, as compared to this listing. 5 MR. MILLER: You've got to identify it by exhibit 6 number. 7 BY MR. CASSEL: R Let's refer to --Q 10 JUDGE SMITH: Did you catch Mr. Miller's explanation? 11 MR. MILLER: Mr. Tuetken was identifying 12 Intervenor's Exhibit R-4 and R-5. 13 WITNESS TUETKEN: Yes. On R-4, Mr. Mulkey is 14 15 a Level II. BY MR. CASSEL: 16 On R-4, Mr. Mulkey is identified on page 7 as 17 18 a Level II inspector, correct? 19 A (Witness Tuetken) Correct. 20 0 But on R-5? 21 He's listed as a I and a II. A On the second page, he's listed as a I and a II? 22 Q 23 A Correct. 24 0 So how does that account for the subsequent 25 every fifth inspector not being reinspected? Can you explain?

1	A On R-4, if you would follow that document through,
2	I think you would find every fifth inspector was inspected
3	for the level he was qualified under.
4	Q But the actual ones who were, in fact, reinspected
5	are listed on R-5. Isn't that correct?
6	A That's correct.
7	Q R-4 was Hatfield's proposal to you, correct?
8	A R-4 was Hatfield's identification of the date
9	of certification of the inspectors.
10	Q Right, but the actual inspectors, who were
11	in fact reinspected, are listed on R-5, are they not?
12	A As a tabulation that's correct.
13	Q And they're listed by date of initial certification
14	correct?
15	A That is correct.
16	Q And we have a problem here in terms of many of
17	them whom you would think would be every fifth were not
18	reinspected. And you're saying that Mr. Mulkey, for some
19	reason, threw it out of sync, is that correct?
20	Can you explain, with reference to R-5
21	JUDGE SMITH: Excuse me. Several times now
22	Mr. Tuetken has accepted the premise of your question and
23	I really wonder if he does.
24	You are saying that repeatedly that not
25	every fifth inspector was actually reinspected and Mr. Tuetken

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has explained, as I understand it, that that necessarily is not the case, that it may be not every fifth, as it is listed on the paper, but since several were hired on the same day you cannot say that one or the other is the fifth.

> MR. CASSEL: I think we can clear that up, Judge. BY MR. CASSEL:

Isn't it correct, Mr. Tuetken, that when several inspectors in a particular level were hired on the same day, the procedure was that they were supposed to be listed alphabetically, and thus they would be listed in the order of the last name of -- of their last name in the alphabet? And if you included that listing alphabetically, then you should still have every fifth inspector being reinspected?

MR. MILLER: Rather than supposed to be, why don't we look at what was done, which is shown on Exhibit R-4?

MR. CASSEL: First let's find out what the procedure was supposed to be. Then we'll see whether R-4 complied with the procedure.

WITHESS TUERKEN: When I directed the contractor to compile a listing of the inspectors, based on certification date, I did not give them additional guidance to list them alphabetically. I, as I selected the process of the fifth inspectors, used the next subset going alphabetically to

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1	select the	inspector.
2		BY MR. CASSEL:
3	2	Well, Hunter did that, didn't Hunter?
4	A	(Witness Tuetken) Did not
5	Q	In its own listing?
6	A	List them alphabetically?
7	Q	Right.
8	A	Not through any specific guidance.
9	Q	But they, in fact, did that?
10	A	Possibly. I'd have to look at the list.
11	Q	Let's refer back to the Hunter Exhibit, which
12	was number	2 for identification.
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And if you look at the very last page of mac 9-1 2 Attachment 2 to the Hunter Exhibit, which is R-2, it's 3 a listing of Level I inspectors, correct? That's correct. And all of them between No. 5, Mr. W. Baker, 5 and No. 16, Mr. B. York, have their date listed as 5 April 1, 1981, correct? 8 That's correct. 9 And they're listed in alphabetical order, right? 10 A That's correct. 11 And Hunter, in fact, did take every fifth 0 12 from that alphabetical listing, correct? 13 That's correct. A 14 And that's what Hatfield should have done as 15 well, correct? 16 There was no specific guidance. 17 So Hatfield could have done it a different way? 18 That's correct. A 19 There was no procedure specifying, then, how 20 to deal with the situation where they were all certified on the same date? 21 22 A There was not. 23 All right. Then let's turn to page 2 of 24 Exhibit 5, which is the exhibit pertaining to Hatfield.

Now we were talking about Level I inspectors,

2 example of Mr. A. Blake, and you said the problem in getting 3 the numbers out of synch occurred in connection with 4 Mr. R. Mulkey at the too of the page. We agreed earlier that Mr. R. Mulkey was the eighth Level I inspector by date. 5 6 Now you are saying that something happened in 7 connection with Mr. Mulkey that threw the numbers out of 8 synch. What was it about Mr. Mulkey that means he shouldn't have been counted there as No. 8? 10 A Mr. Mulkey is a visual welding inspector making 11 judgments on visual weld quality. He was treated as a 12 Level II inspector. 13 So instead of Mr. Mulky being No. 8 on this 14 exhibit, the eighth Level I inspector, we should just skip 15 him as a Level I inspector and treat Mr. J. Malunda as 16 the eighth Level I inspector; is that correct? S2BU 17 A Yes. 14 If we do that, then Mr. Malunda becomes No. 8, correct? 20 A Mr. Malunda becomes eighth. 21 0 And Mr. Cason becomes nine? 22 Yes. A 23 Mr. Holze becomes 16 0 24 Yes. A

because you gave on page 2 of Exhibit 5 -- you gave the

Mr. Merritt becomes 13, correct -- I'm sorry --

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2		Mr. Merritt becomes 11.
3	Q	Mr. Konowal becomes 12?
4	A	Mr. Dobosh became 12 in this instance.
5	Q	What happened to Mr. Konowal?
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7	Q	On R-5, now. I'm referring to the second page
8	of R-5.	
9	A	Okay. In this listing, he would have become
10	Q-	He would have become 12, right?
- 11	A	Mr. Konowal would have become 12 in this
12	listing; th	at's correct.
13	0	And Mr. Dobosh would be 13?
14	A	That's correct.
15	0	And Mr. Blake would be 14?
16	A	That's correct.
17	0	And Mr. Keep would be 15?
18	A	That's correct.
19	Q	And Mr. Keep was, in fact, reinspected.
20	A	That's correct.
21	Q	So now we're back in synch, right?
22	A	Yes.
23	Q	All right. Let's keep going down the list,
24	because I t	think we're going to get out of synch again.
25		Mr. Fornwall would become 16, right?

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                           Mr. Ewbank should have been reinspected, right?
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             list, that's correct.
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A ' That's correct. 3 Do you have any explanation for that? Mr. Stoner was selected to be reinspected 5 based on the list we identified in February of 1983. 6 MR. MILLER: Exhibit R-4, right? WITNESS TUETKEN: R-4. 8 JUDGE COLE: Is that a result of an alphabetic 9 listing of those that were certified in 81-10-05? 10 WITNESS TUETKEN: Yes. 11 JUDGE SMITH: The same day as Kiergaard. 12 MR. MILLER: The same day as Kiergaard on 13 Exhibit R-4. 14 WITNESS TUETKEN: The listing had him presented 15 ahead of Kiergaard. We selected the fifth man who happened 16 to be -- who happened to be Stoner, based on the list. 17 BY MR. CASSEL: 18 On the next page of the exhibit, which is 0 page 3, --20 A (Witness Tuetken) Which exhibit? 21 0 R-5, I'm sorry. 22 JUDGE SMITH: May I sucgest, Mr. Cassel, now 23 that we understand somewhat better -- we all understand 24 the methodology, that you might want to defer this cross-25 examination until after lunch, and you can have more time

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to confirm --

MR. CASSEL: I think that's a good idea,
Judge. I think the witness has explained how the listing
developed. But I do want to just ask him a guestion about
the methodology.

MR. CASSEL:

Q In other words, when you had inspectors who were certified on the same date, there was no uniform methodology, or was there a uniform methodology among your contractors for determining which one to select?

A (Witness Tuetken) There was no uniform methodology.

Ω And so the decision as to which one of those to select was initially suggested by the contractor and agreed to or not agreed to by you?

A Let me characterize the events, which may answer your question.

The lists were brought to myself. I executed on Hatfield's list the process of selecting the first and the fifth and subsequently every fifth inspector after that. The asterisks you refer to are my notations. The notes on page 10 are my writing.

Q So when it says "Dick suggested list on page 7," --

A That is provided without notation.

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	Q	That was	provided	without	any	indication	of
who	would	be reinspe	cted?				

A That is correct.

O Now when you first met with the contractors, did you provide a timetable for completion of their reinspection work?

> A Yes.

Do you recall being asked the same question in your deposition last week and answering no?

> A Yes.

Since then, your recollection has been refreshed?

No. Your further questioning in the deposition identified that I had established with them objective dates. When we first met with them, I had not established a timetable.

When you first met with the contractors, you mean in a meeting with all the contractors present?

> Yes. A

You had no timetable?

Not in the first meeting.

And you testified last week, did you not, that one of the reasons you had no timetable was that it was necessary to gather some intelligence to find out what the volume of work was before you could reasonably set a date for completion?

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2 Let me refer you to Exhibit R-4, page 16. 0 3 Yes. 1 Is that a memorandum from Mr. Buchanan of Hatfield Electric Company, dated February 8, 1983? 5 6 A Yes. 7 Does the last sentence of that memorandum say, 8 "The total reinspection program shall be completed prior 9 to July 1, 1983"? 10 A It does. 11 Q And what was the source of that July 1, 1983 12 date? 13 MR. MILLER: Excuse me. I don't know how the 14 witness can answer this question, unless we establish first 15 that he has seen this memorandum before or anything else. 16 This is from Mr. Buchanan to Mr. Hill and Mr. Koca. I don't 17 believe it's been established on the record that 18 Mr. Tuetken has over seen it. 10 BY MR. CASSEL: 20 Have you ever seen this before, Mr. Tuetken? 21 (Witness Tuetken) I have. A 22 Do you know what the source of the last 23 sentence on page 16 was, the date in the last sentence? A Probably general guidance from conversations

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And those conversations would have occurred on or before February 8, 1983?

That's correct.

mgc 10-1 Q \* I am now showing you and your counsel a document which I will ask the reporter to mark for 3 identification as Intervenors' Exhibit R-6. (The document referred to 5 was marked Intervenors' 6 Exhibit No. R-6 for 7 identification.) 8 (Document distributed to Board, parties, and witnesses.) 10 MR. CASSEL: I will represent that that is a 11 document provided by Commonwealth Edison to Intervenors 12 with the representation that it was the notes of 13 Mr. Klingler on the reinspection program meeting with 14 representatives of the contractors, held February 22, 1983. 15 BY MR. CASSEL: Have you ever seen these notes before, Mr. Tuetken? 18 (Witness Tuetken) I have. A 19 Do you recognize the handwriting? 0 20 A I do. 21 Is it Mr. Klingler's handwriting? 22 In the lower note portion of the document 23 below the signatures? 24 Q If those are signatures, then below the 25 signatures. Is that Mr. Klingler's Fandwriting?

It is, I believe.

And does not a third of those notes indicate reinspection plus expansion by 30 June 1983?

> A It does.

Was an instruction provided by you or Mr. Klingler at the February 22 meeting that the reinspection plus expansion was to be completed by 30 June 1983?

Guidance was provided, yes, for that to be the objective.

When did you first -- strike that.

Is your recollection now refreshed as to your testimony earlier that you did not, in the initial meeting with the contractors, provide any timetable for completion?

MR. MILLER: I'm going to object to the form of the question. It's mischaracterizing the testimony and evidence of record.

If you are referring to these notes of this meeting of February 22, 1983, the testimony has established that the first meeting was February 7, 1983.

MR. CASSEL: The question stands.

BY MR. CASSEL:

Does this refresh your recollection as to whether you provided any timetable in the first meeting with the contractors?

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A (Witness Tuetken) Timetable objective, yes.

It refreshes my memory versus what question?

O Based on your recollection plus what you have now reviewed, in your initial meeting with the contractors, did you provide them a timetable for completion of the program?

A Yes.

Q And did you provide that timetable also in discussions with Mr. Buchanan of Hatfield prior to his February 8 memo, which has been marked as an exhibit?

A More than likely, yes.

Q And that was before you knew the volume of work to be inspected, which you said last week you needed to know before you could set a deadline.

A That's correct.

Q In the discussions which the working group had in the design of the program, I believe you testified last week that there was no discussion of the use of an independent firm to come in and do the reinspection program; is that correct?

A That's correct.

Q And you, yourself, gave no consideration to the use of an independent firm for that purpose?

A I don't believe that's the way I recalled my logic or my answer.

	Q I'm just asking you right now today. Did you			
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3	lainspection program?			
4	A Yes.			
5	Q And as you did that consideration, were you			
6	aware of any published guidance from the NRC on the use			
7	of independent contractors for reviews of the quality of			
8	work or design?			
9	A I read further clarification of your question.			
10	Q Waxe you aware of any published NRC guidance			
11	on the use of independent firms for reviews of reinspections?			
12	A Published guidance issued by the NRC?			
13	Q That's right.			
14	A No.			
15	Q Were you aware of any statements by the NRC			
10	concerning the criteria to be used for the selection of			
17	an independent firm for such reviews?			
18	A No.			
19	Q Were you aware of any published statements			
20	by NRC Chairman Palladino concerning the use of independent			
21	firms for independent reviews?			
22	A Published statement, NRC originated, or news			
23	media?			
24	Q Originated by NRC Chairman Palladino.			
25	A In what context?			

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Q Concerning the use of independent outside firms for reviews.

A I'll try and answer your question. What I think
I recall, I probably am aware that there were news articles
published in the papers about reinspections occurring at
other locations and the use of independent inspection
sources. That's my only recall of sources of information
of that type.

O Mr. Del George, you were also involved in that working group and, in fact, had the final sign-off responsibility from the group before the recommendation went to senior management; is that correct?

A (Witness Del George) Yes.

Q Were you aware of any published statements by NRC Chairman Palladino concerning the use of independent firms for outside reviews?

A I am aware and was aware then of comments that were made by Chairman Palladino as a result of reviews being done relative to the Diablo Canyon plant, and those comments, I believe, refer to design practice reviews.

So in that sense, I was aware of comments that had been made by Chairman Palladino.

Q And did you consider those at all at the time you were designing or participating in the design of Edison's reinspection program?

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A Inasmuch as the questions presented which led to the development of the Byron reinspection program did not have anything to do with design, I did not feel that those comments were applicable to our development process.

Q Did you address the issue and answer it for yourself whether there is something different about a design review that would make those comments inapplicable to your reinspection program?

A Well, as I indicated in my direct testimony, the reinspection program at Byron was not focused on either design or on product quality demonstration, but rather on a determination of the adequacy of inspections performed by inspectors qualified under the provisions of N-4526, an ANSI standard. I know of no comments made by the NRC which would provide guidance on how to conduct such a review through the use of an independent source.

Q Do you see any distinctions between the design review and an inspector qualification review that would suggest any lesser need for independence in the review?

A I know of no comments that have been made by the NRC Staff to suggest that every reinspection performed at a nuclear power plant requires the use of an outside consultant in order to assure its adequacy.

Q The question that I put was, do you see any difference between a design review and a review of inspector

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qualifications that would call for any lesser degree of independence in the review of the inspector qualifications than in the review of the design?

A I guess I have a problem with the question.

And the reason that I do is that it assumes the premise that independence is necessary to every review done. And I'm not sure that I can accept that premise.

Q I didn't state nor do I assume that premise.

I just asked the question, whether you see any reasons why
there should be any lesser need for independence in the
review of inspector qualifications than in the review of
design?

A I see a need for independence. I don't see the need for an outside consultant to provide that independence. So it's a question, I think, of how "independence" is defined, and that gets me back to the comment I made earlier, which is that I know of no guidance provided by the NRC Staff to impose restrictive requirements relative to the use of outside consultants to provide independence in the conduct of reinspection programs at nuclear power sites.

Q By the way, Mr. Shewski, were you familiar with the published statements of Mr. Palladino, which Mr. Del George just discussed, at the time you were participating in the design?

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A (Witness Shewski) I was not.

JUDGE SMITH: Do you purport to have the Chairman here?

MR. CASSEL: No, but I purport to have his written word here, if I can find the right pile, Judge.

JUDGE SMITH: I think we are up to Exhibit 7 now, right?

BY MR. CASSEL:

Q Mr. Tuetkin and Mr. Del George -- let's try
to focus this -- Mr. Del George, as long as we're
discussing it, I am now showing your counsel and you a
copy of a document which I will ask the court reporter to
mark as Intervenors' Exhibit R-7 for identification,
which consists of five pages, the first three of which
purport to be a letter from Nunzio J. Palladino, who is
the Chairman of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, to the
Honorable John D. Dingell, Chairman, Committee on Energy
and Commerce of the United States House of Representatives,
dated February 1, 1982, and the last three pages of which
purport to be responses to questions in a November 13, 1981
letter to Chairman Palladino from Congressman Dingell and
Ottinger, which responses were included as an enclosure
to the letter.

And I ask you if you believe this to be the public statement of Chairman Palladino with regard to

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independent design reviews to which you referred earlier?

(Witness Del George) I can't speak from any personal knowledge. I have looked at the document. I recognize it as one that purports to have been signed by the Chairman and is directed to the individual you named.

I said previously that I was familiar with comments made, but I don't recall having see this specific letter, although I may have.

> (The document referred to was marked Intervenors' Exhibit No. R-7 for identification.)

(Document distributed to Board, parties, and witnesses.)

BY MR. CASSEL:

On the third page of the exhibit, Question 1 states in part, "Please provide, prior to the issuance of the 50.54(f) letter, the definition of the terms" -and it then lists four terms, one of which is "independent."

Are you familiar at all with the definition, prior to reading this letter, were you familiar with the definition of "independence" set forth in the enclosure to Chairman Palladino's letter?

(Witness Del George) I have a general familiarity, and I'm sure by reading these paragraphs,

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the paragraphs noted as response, I could become more familiar.

O At the time you participated in preparing the design of the Edison reinspection program, were you then generally familiar with the definition of "independence"?

A As I indicated previously, I was familiar with the position taken relative to Diablo Canyon as to the review performed of design performance relative to the Diablo Canyon plant. And in that context, I was familiar with the way in which an independent review was formulated.

Q Referring to the response to Question 1, the second paragraph, the third sentence states -- the third sentence of the second paragraph states, "These individuals or companies should also be independent."

The next sentence begins with the words,

"Independence means" -- and the next sentence after that
begins with the words, "Independence also means...."

Would you take a moment to review the sentences there about what "independence" means?

(The witness complies.)

The second of the two sentences that begin with the words "independence means' states, and I quote: "Independence also means that the design verification program must be conducted by companies or individuals not previously involved with the activities at Diablo Canyon

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that they will now be reviewing," end quote.

In fact, the companies or individuals reinspecting at Edison were previously involved with the activities that they were reviewing, were they not?

A Yes.

The sentence before that states, quote:

"Independence means that the individuals or companies
selected must be able to provide an objective, dispassionate
technical judgment provided solely on the basis of
technical merit," close quote.

Do you believe that the contractors and others who did the reinspection program at Byron were able to provide an objective, dispassionate technical judgment provided solely on the basis of technical merit?

A To the extent that statement applies to an individual party involved in our program, my answer would be yes. It is not in every case applicable.

For example, we're not sure that contractor inspectors reperforming inspections made technical judgments in the context of this statement.

What about with respect --

JUDGE SMITH: Mr. Cassel, there's going to have to be a limit as to how long we're going to permit you to cross-examine on the Chairman's statement. It's not productive. As to the Chairman's views here, it cannot

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help this Board very much; however, I'm not stopping you. I'm just saying, keep it within its relative importance to the hearing.

MR. CASSEL: I believe these are not just the personal views of the Chairman, but the official response of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to an inquiry from the United States Congress.

MR. MILLER: I'm not at all certain that that's the case.

JUDGE SMITH: To this moment, I don't know how we can use this information on this hearing. But proceed. I just want you to give it its relative importance in the proceeding.

BY MR. CASSEL:

What is your answer with respect to the companies in relation to that sentence, Mr. Del George?

MR. MILLER: I object to the form of the question.

MR. CASSEL: I'm sorry. If it's not clear, I'll make it clear.

BY MR. CASSEL:

You indicated that the individuals -- you provided, in answer to my question, whether the contractors at Byron were able to provide an objective, dispassionate technical judgment provided sorely on the basis of technical

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merit, and you answered with respect to individuals.

I am now asking you with respect to the companies, which are also referred to in this definition of "independence."

A (Witness Del George) I'm sure at the time this statement was made that it was made in the context of the problem identified relative to Diablo Canyon, applicable to the resolution of that problem.

I cannot, from my own personal knowledge, expand the intent of this statement to create an applicability to the Byron situation. And for that reason, I don't believe I can answer your question.

Let's ask it another way. You made a decision as part of the design team that created the reinspection program to have the contractors reinspect themselves; is that correct?

That's correct.

And did you have no concern at the time you made that decision that the contractors might be tempted to make themselves look good?

I had no basis for such a concern, and I believe the program was implemented in such a way that we assur d that any potential bias would have been identified, and I know of no bias having been identified through the conduct of this program.

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Q Did you believe at the time you designed the program that the contractor would reasonably expect that if he performed poorly on the reinspection program, that that might adversely affect the contractor?

MR. MILLER: I am going to have to object.

That question is so vague, with so many indefinite terms,

I don't see how Mr. Del George can respond to it. What

does "adversely affect" mean?

MR. CASSEL: In any way.

MR. MILLER: Then it's so general that I object to it on that basis. There's got to be some more specification, Judge.

JUDGE SMITH: Overruled.

MR. CASSEL: I see specification in the Judge's eyes. I'll be more specific.

MR. MILLER: I believe the Judge overruled the objection.

JUDGE SMITH: I overruled the objection.

MR. MILLER: Do you have the question in mind?

WITNESS DEL GEORGE: Would you repeat the question

or restate the guestion?

BY MR. CASSEL:

At the time you designed the program, did you consider the contractors might reasonably expect that if they performed poorly in the reinspection program, they would be adversely affected -- let me withdraw that question as stated. I think it's ambiguous.

At the time you designed the reinspection program, did you consider that a contractor might reasonably expect that if the results of the reinspection program showed past poor performance by the contractor that that would adversely affect the contractor?

MR. MILLER: On that one, I'm sorry, I do have to interpose another objection. Once again it seems there's a foundation lacking with respect to what a contractor might reasonably expect.

JUDGE SMITH: It's overruled. I think it's a good question. It's a fundamental question. I just hope

you don't identify this as a faulty question after I have overruled the objection.

MR. CASSEL: I'll never attempt to read the Judge's eyes. I obviously misread them.

WITNESS DEL GEORGE: I think it's reasonable to assume that if the program results did not meet the program criteria, it would have been reasonable for the contractor to assume that more reinspection would have been required. Beyond that, I can't make an assumption as to what the contractors would have thought.

BY MR. CASSEL:

Q And you made no assumption beyond that at the time you designed the program?

A (Witness DelGeorge) Based on my knowledge of the contractors, it was my belief that they would have performed as best as they could to identify discrepancies within the definition of the program that was outlined for them.

- And your belief at the time was that the worst that a contractor would reasonably foresee, as a result of poor performance being revealed in the reinspection program, is that his company might be subjected to some further reinspection?
  - A I think I've answered that question.
  - And your answer is yes?

A It is, from my own personal knowledge, I know it is reasonable to assume that he would have expected that, yes.

Q And that's the worst that it was reasonable to assume, that he would foreseeably have expected?

MR. MILLER: I'm going to have to object to the word worst. I don't know what that means. Maybe Mr. Cassel could describe some of the other consequences that he foresees.

JUDGE SMITH: Why don't you go directly to what could happen to a contractor who shows up poorly on a reinspection program, how his interests could be adversely affected. Give us some specifics. I'm surprised you can't think of some ways that contractors may feel threatened by a reinspection program. Could they lose money? Could they lose work? Could they lose contracts? Could they lose reputation? It would cost them money for additional reinspections?

All those things could happen, or could they?
I don't know.

WITNESS DEL GEORGE: It's possible that they could.

JUDGE SMITH: But your testimony is that you didn't take that into account?

WITNESS DEL GEORGE: Your Honor, I believe I said that I had no basis to believe that that would affect

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JUDGE SMITH: That wasn't his question.

BY MR. CASSEL:

My question was what you had reason to believe they would reasonably expect might result from a poor showing.

(Witness Del George) At the time the program was formulated, which was the point in time you directed my attention to, what I had in my mind was that the contractors would reasonably expect that they would continue to conduct reinspections until we had identified -- fulfilled the program and identified any discrepancies within the program format.

I'm not sure that at that point in time that I had considered specifically the ramifications to individual contractors, presuming a result. However, I had no basis to assume that the contractors would not performed with integrity in the conduct of their work, based on my past experience with those contractors.

Was there any discussion, in the working group, of the kinds of consequences that Judge Smith just illustrated and their being on whether the contractors should be asked to reinspect themselves?

I don't recall any specific discussions of that type because it presumed a result before the results were in.

We didn't discuss what we would do to a contractor if he failed.

Q That's not my question. The question is when you decided to have the contractors reinspect themselves, was there any discussion that they might not reinspect themselves as zealously as someone else might reinspect them because of fear of potential economic consequences to them if they did?

A We may have discussed the credibility of inspections done by contractors and I think it was our common belief, and the other members of the panel can attest to this individually, it was our common belief that the contractors in question would perform with integrity within the context of the program we had defined.

That was our expectation and we had no basis for believing otherwise. And to the extent results are now in and have been evaluated, we see no basis in those results to suggest that that premise was incorrect.

- 2 Just to be clear on your basis for not designing the program in accordance with what you understood to be Chairman Palladino's public statement, was it simply --
  - I have to object to that characterization -JUDGE SMITH: Sustained.

(Laughter.)

## BY MR. CASSEL:

I don't mean to characterize it. I thought you testified that you knew that Chairman Palladino had made certain statements about how to --- the need for independent design review at Diablo Canyon and you decided not to have an independent review at Edison, for purposes of the reinspection program.

A (Witness Del George) I also indicated that I knew of no position that had been taken by the Chairman or the NRC at that time to suggest that the approach taken at Diablo Canyon, which was taken for specific reasons, was of necessity to be applied to address or to resolve other issues not of the same type, not of the same scope, not of the same plant, in the future.

So I did not -- I did not contemplate that discussion specifically relative to Diablo Canyon as applicable to the Byron case.

Q I just want to clarify -- I think you may just have done so. The reason you did not attempt to design the reinspection program in accordance with what you had heard to be the public statements of Chairman Palladino, was you regarded those as inappicable to the type of program that you were designing for Edison?

MR. MILLER: Judge, I think that's at least the third time that question, or a varying of it, has been

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asked of Mr. Del George this morning.

JUDGE SMITH: It seems to me that it has, but if this is going to resolve it once and for all, I think it's worth it.

BY MR. CASSEL:

- Q Did you hear the question?
- A (Witness Del George) I heard it.

I would appreciate it, if you could, that you restate it so I'm sure that I -- since this hopefully will be the last time that I will have to do it, I will get it right.

Q All right.

Was your basis for not attempting to design the Edison reinspection program to comply with what you understood Chairman Palladino's public statements about independence at Diablo Canyon, that you simply regarded those as inapplicable because they related to design instead of to the type of program you were doing?

A That played a part in my decision, as well as the fact that I knew of no reason that the intent of the statement was to apply it in a way more broadly than the specific application, which was Diablo Canyon.

Q Was there anything you knew about the Region IV requiring independence at Diablo Canyon that you believe to be inapplicable to having an independent review at Edison?

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Q What?

A In the case of Diablo Canyon, the designer whose work was in question had been found to have done inadquate work. And for that reason, as I understand the position taken on Diablo Canyon, an outside design authority was brought in to evalute that inadequate work.

In the case of Byron, there was no inadequate work identified. There was raised an uncertainty about the qualification of inspectors. I see that as being two different things.

Q Wasn't there an inadequacy found at Byron, in terms of the qualification and certification of inspectors?

MR. MILLER: That's what he just said, Judge.

That was Mr. Del George's preceeding answer. I object to
the guestion. It's been asked and answered.

JUDGE SMITH: I share Mr. Miller's view. I thought that he had made that clear.

MR. CASSEL: I'll withdraw the question, Judge. BY MR. CASSEL:

Q Let's try the parallel a little differently,
Mr. DelGeorge. The reason for not having the same design
engineer inspect or reinspect his own work at Diablo Canyon
was that he had previously been found to have performed
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of their own inspectors?

That was your understanding? Why is it anymore appropriate to have contractors who have previously been found deficient by the NRC Staff in the area of inspector qualification and certification review, through a reinspection program, the qualifications and certification

(Witness Del George) That was my understanding.

MR. MILLER: I object. That mischaracterizes what the reinspectors were going to review. They most assuredly were not going to review the certifications of the first inspectors. That was not the focus of the program.

MR. CASSEL: I didn't say that it was.

MR. MILLER: Mr. Cassel is just fishing here, Judge. I think we've been over Diablo Canyon sufficiently for purposes of this hearing.

JUDGE SMITH: I would like you to be able to phrase that question accurately enough to get an accurate answer. I mean so far I think your question is wanting. You have not yet captured the situation that this witness prevailed at Byron.

> Maybe he can ask the question for you? (Laughter.)

And that will put an end to it.

MR. CASSEL: So long as we don't have to pay his

attorney's fees, Judge, I wouldn't object to that. I'll try to rephrase it.

BY MR. CASSEL:

Q I'm really trying to focus here on Byron?

JUDGE SMITH: Do you have anything to add, as to why you think the situation prevailing at Byron is different than the situation addressed by Chairman Palladino at Diablo Canyon?

WITNESS DEL GEORGE: The situation at Byron that led to the program was fundamentally a difference of opinion with respect to the way in which the ANSI standard applicable to the certification and qualification of inspectors was applied. Commonwealth and Edison undertook a program to resolve that uncertainty. We didn't accept that the practices were inadequate.

We recognized, however, that it was necessary in order to resolve the Staff's concern that changes needed to be made in our program. As a result, actions were taken prospectively to conform to the position that the Staff had expressed, indicating their interpretation of the standard in question.

Retrospectively, we undertook a program of reinspection to determine whether the concern expressed by the Staff was valid. The Staff had indicated, at the time of their expression of concern, that they had no reason

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to believe -- excuse me. They had identified no hardware deficiencies that could be attributed to a lack of qualifications.

JUDGE SMITH: What Mr. Cassel's point is, that however you describe it, the Staff found deficiencies in the certification packages of the inspectors and the remedy of that was left to the same entities who were responsible for the deficiencies in the first instance. Is that the gist of your question?

MR. CASSEL: That is exactly it, Judge.

JUDGE SMITH: Have we addressed that? Stated that fairly?

WITNESS DEL CEORGE: Yes, sir.

JUDGE SMITH: All right. Now, with that premise, can you make a distinction between the situation referred to by Chairman Palladino at Diablo Canyon and the situation that you agree is that at Byron?

WITNESS DEL GEORGE: In the case of Diablo Canyon, the purpose of the review was to identify design deficiencies, to allow the designer -- who had himself created design deficiencies that had been identified -might compromise the result.

In the case at Byron, the question was whether or not inspectors were qualified. The program, which involved using contractor employee's reinspected work, the

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results of that would allow for us to make a determination as to the qualification of inspectors. 2 3 So I think there is an interim step that makes it different. The question at Diablo Canyon was are there 4 any other design discrepancies and where the designer had 5 6 made the initial design discrepancy, his judgment might be inappropriate, relative to whether or not there were more. JUDGE SMITH: So it's a question of judgment. 8 9 The reinspection program left little to judgment on the part of the contractors? 10 11 WITNESS DEL GEORGE: Relative to the qualification 12 of the inspecto . 13 JUDGE SMITH: Right, but a design reverification 14 involves a tremendous amount of judgment? 15 WITNESS DEL GEORGE: I believe that to be true. 16 JUDGE SMITH: Is that it? All right. I'm 17 satisfied with that answer. 18 MR. CASSEL: At this time, Judge, Intervenor's 19 move for the admission --20 JUDGE SMITH: I'm not foreclosing further 21 examination, if you object to what has transpired on it. MR. CASSEL: No, I don't have any objection to

either the questions -- to any of the questions, Judge.

I move the admission of Chairman Palladino's letter, at this time, into the record of this case because I think it is

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helpful in terms of clarifying the intent of the design of the program. Mr. Del George has testified that he knew about it at the time -- not specifically about this letter, but about the basic public statements by Chairman Palladino in this regard -- and that he consciously chose to view them as inapplicable to this situation, which he was confronted with.

MR. MILLER: Excuse me. I don't believe that was Mr. Del George's testimony. In any event, this exhibit is clearly irrelevant to any issue before this licensing board, absent some showing which Mr. Cassel so far has not been able to make that this document applies across the board to reinspection program, including the reinspection program that we're considing here at Byron.

Absent such a showing, it really has nothing to do with any of the issues in this case, except as was used in questioning of Mr. Del George to test his views about why an independent third party was not used at Byron.

MR. CASSEL: No such showing --

MR. MILLER: I should also point out this is purely a hearsay document, as to the Applicant.

JUDGE SMITH: I'm not going into the aspect of it. I am troubled by the fact that it does have one of the evils of hearsay, and that is the Chairman isn't here to be questioned on it. But the fact that the statement was

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made is not in dispute. That it's accurately reported, I don't think is in dispute.

MR. LEWIS: Mr. Chairman, however the Staff would also be concerned as to whether admission of this document would be appropriate. As you have said, without the opportunity to actually explore what the author of the letter, what the reach was, it is really impossible to determine whether or not it has any applicability to the Byron reinspection program.

And I'm bothered by having it in the record, admitted in the record, and then available to be cited as somehow authoritative on a point where I don't think it has been established to be authoritative.

(Board conferring.)

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JUDGE SMITH: If the only purpose of the author is to try to establish a standard used by the Chairman in Diablo Canyon, the standard is irrelevant to our considerations. We could not look to this as any standard by which we would make a decision or as a standard by which we would expect Mr. Del George to have made a decision.

Every answer that you have received in the cross-examination on this document is that it is irrelevant, and you have not had any testimony of relevancy. You are depending on any relevancy which may appear on the face of the document for its standing to be received. You can't look to any testimony that you have received, and on the face of it, there is no relevancy.

MR. CASSEL: I think what I would like to do,
Judge, is to defer my motion to admit this until I have
direct testimony to support it. I think the face of the
document indicates that it is not by terms directly
applicable. The reason I'm offering it is because it
represents a judgment from the highest level of the
Commission as to the appropriate degree of independence
that is necessitated in the situation where you are looking
over the shoulder --

JUDGE SMITH: That's where you're absolutely wrong, because the standard -- if the Chairman intended to

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establish a standard which does not exist in our regulations, he would have sought the regulations. There is one plant, Diablo Canyon, which was the subjet of this. There are many, many plant in the United States. That's not the way the NRC does business. This is not useful for any standard at all.

MR. CASSEL: I dor't mean a legal standard that is applicable, Judge.

By the way, it's my inderstanding that this same set of criteria definition has now been cited in a number of subsequent cases, but I don't have that information at hand, and I'm not moving for the admission of it now.

JUDGE SMITH: I do want to point out, the document is a part of the record. It's in the rejected exhibit file. You've made a motion now, and we'll reject it now. If you have the basis later on to move, well, do it. You're not foreclosed forever. But right now, the way it stands is that your offer is rejected.

(The document previously marked Intervenors' Exhibit No. R-7 for identification was rejected.)

MR. CASSEL: Just so the record is clear as to the purpose for which I'm offering it, I'm not offering

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it for the purpose of saying that this letter or the standard in it directly controls the situation here. I'm offering it as a situation which is, in some respects, parallel, and it is therefore useful in this Board's exercise of its judgment on an issue which I presume you will need to address in this case, which is, was the inspection, reinspection program here flawed because it was not done independently.

JUDGE SMITH: That's exactly why we denied it. because it's not reasonable. There's nothing we can do with that letter in deciding the issues in this case -nothing.

I think this is a good breaking time for lunch. MR. MILLER: Judge, before we do, we do have testimony of Mr. Kostal and Mr. Johnson and a brief supplementary testimony on statistical evaluation of system control work done by Mr. Singh, which I would like to hand to the Board and to the parties at this point.

JUDGE SMITH: Need we be on the record for this, now that you've indicated that you have it?

MR. MILLER: No.

JUDGE SMITH: All right. We will adjourn for lunch.

(Whereupon, at 12:35 p.m., the hearing was recessed for luncheon, to resume at 2:00 p.m. this same day.)

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## AFTERNOON SESSION

(2:05 p.m.)

3 Whereupon,

LOUIS O. DEL GEORGE

RICHARD P. TUETKEN

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resumed the stand and, having been previously duly sworn, were examined and testified further as follows:

MR. CASSEL: Judge, I am not certain that we or that I've made sure to move the admission and obtain a ruling on all of the exhibits prior to lunch.

JUDGE SMITH: Well, 7 was offered and rejected. 2 is still pending.

MR. CASSEL: 2 was deferred until the first -or was that 1, I guess; it was 1 that was deferred.

At this time, I would move the admission of the following exhibits: R-2, which was the Hunter Corporation letter of February 16; R-3, which was the chronological listing for Hunter; portions of R-4 that were referred to in the examination, and specifically R-4, pages 7 through 10, which is the list of Hatfield inspectors and page 16, which was the February 8, 1983 memo from Mr. Buchanan; R-5, which was the chronological list for Hatfield; and R-6, which were some notes on the February 22, 1983 Edison meeting with the contractors, at least the

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bottom portion of which Mr. Tuetken believed to be in Mr. Klingler's handwriting.

JUDGE SMITK: Are there objections?

MR. MILLER: Assuming that Exhibit R-4 is limited to the pages identified by Mr. Cassel, we have no objection to any of those exhibits.

MR. LEWIS: No objection.

JUDGE SMITH: What shall we do about the other pages of R-47

MR. MILLER: I think they ought to be discarded myself.

MR. CASSEL: Judge, I wouldn't object to that at the close of the proceeding, but just to save us some trouble, because there are other witnesses where it could conceivably come up, we might simply defer the physical discarding of the other pages until the close of the evidence in this stage. I'm not moving the admission of those other pages into the record.

JUDGE SMITH: I understand. I'm concerned about them popping up in proposed findings.

MR. CASSEL: I will certainly not be offering proposed findings, Judge, based on evidence that is not admitted into the record.

JUDGE SMITH: Let's admit only the pages you referred to. It will be your responsibility to conform

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the exhibits at the end of the session to the ruling. Those are the official exhibits I'm referring to.

MR. LEWIS: Your Honor, he's not submitting them now? Normally, he would be submitting them now to the reporter.

JUDGE SMITH: Yes. The thing is, they will be available in the hearing room throughout the session. It would be his responsibility to assure that they conform to the ruling.

MR. CASSEL: I will certainly comply with that, Judge. In addition, I owe the reporter two copies of all of the exhibits, in addition to the one which I provided her.

Have you then ruled that the exhibits are admitted on the basis --

JUDGE SMITH: Intervenors' Exhibits R-2 through R-6 are received.

> (The documents previously marked Intervenors' Exhibit R-2, R-3, R-5 and Nos. R=6 were received in evidence.)

MR. CASSEL: Just to the record will be clear, then, I think that probably the easiest thing to do, Judge, is the copy that remains in the record will consist of pages which will be numbered 7 to 11, then it will skip to

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16. It seems to me, since we referred to those pages numbers during the testimony, it is probably easiest to leave it that way.

MR. LEWIS: Isn't it 7 through 10?

MR. CASSEL: I'm sorry; 7 through 10 and 16.

(The document previously

marked Intervenors' Exhibit
R-4 for identification was
received in evidence, in
part, as described.)

JUDGE SMITH: Are you ready, Mr. Cassel?
MR. CASSEL: Yes, I am, Judge.

CROSS-EXAMINATION (CONTINUED)

BY MR. CASSELI

Q Mr. Tuetken, did Edison provide any written instructions on how to carry out the program directly, to the reinspectors themselves?

A (Witness Tuetken) The inspectors themselves?

Q That's right.

A No.

Q You relied on the contractors to provide the instructions to the reinspectors; is that right?

A Yes, sir,

Q Did you provide any oral instructions directly to the reinspectors?

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A Not that I can directly recall.

Q So you trusted the contractors to provide appropriate instruction to their employees in accordance with the guidance you gave the management level people of the contractors?

A Let me try to answer that with more detail. The lead inspectors involved in the process, who are not necessarily the management personnel I think you are referring to, I dialogued with and provided guidance to many times in response to their questions.

O Now one of the task to be done in the reinspection program was to tabulate for each inspector the number of inspectors on which there had been no discrepance at the passing level -- that is, whether the inspector had received 90 percent for subjective or 95 percent for objective -- who performed that tabulation in the first instance, the contractors or Edison?

A The contractors' employees.

© So the contractors' employees knew before Edison did whether the initial raw data and tabulations indicated that a particular inspector had passed or had not passed.

A That is correct,

O Now some of the inspectors who failed to achieve the minimum scores of 90 percent or 95 percent as applicable,

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were still employed by contractors at Byron at the time discovery was made; is that correct?

A That's correct.

O And were any of them removed from their position as inspectors following that discovery?

A They were not.

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MR. CASSEL: I am now going to show you and your counsel a document which I will ask the court reporter to mark as Intervenor's Exhibit R-8 for identification.

> (The document referred to was marked as Intervenor's Exhibit R-B for identification, )

(Document distributed.)

MR. CASSEL: This consists of one page. I will indicate, for the record, that the marginal notation on the left hand side of the second paragraph of this letter was placed there by one of the legal workers for Intervenors and is not part of the document as it was produced to us by Edison.

BY MR. CASSEL

Mr. Tuetken, disregarding that little notation there in the left hand margin, just looking at the document itself, have you ever seen this letter before?

(Witness Tuetken) To be specific, I have seen the letter, as it is phrased, without the NRC letterhead, beginning with Docket Number 50-454 going down to Diane Chevez. I do not recall seeing this document with the lower notation.

By the lower notations, you mean those indications that appear below the name of Diane Chevez?

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Q And this letter is the NRC's March 22, 1983 response to Edison's letter of February 23, 1983, proposing the reinspection program?

A To be specific, the wording appears to be that

A To be specific, the wording appears to be that which is in the letter that you refer to.

Q In other words, this was the NRC's initial written response to your program proposal of February 23, as far as you know?

A Yes.

Q And you received a copy of this letter, except for the bottom markings, at the time it was received by Edison, in March of 1983?

A Yes, sir,

Q Now referring your attention to the second paragraph of the letter, which states "regarding visual weld examination being classified as a subjective inspection attribute, we understand this classification will be used only for surface conditions which do not affect the integrity of the weld."

Do you know what are "surface conditions which do not affect the integrity of the weld?"

A I have opinions, however the way the program is implemented, only an engineer can determine the integrity of the weld.

Q Can you give us some examples of surface conditions

which do not affect the integrity of the weld?

A In my opinion, the as-welded condition does not affect the integrity of the weld.

- Q And that is the surface condition?
- A It is a surface condition. It however, can be cause for rejection by an inspector, due to his judgment that he cannot examine the weld properly.
- Q So under this statement, in the NRC's letter, an as-welded condition should have been classified as a subjective attracte. Is that correct?
  - A Can you restate that question?
  - Q Yes.

Under the statement, from the NRC, an as-welded condition -- to which you just referred -- should have been classified as a subjective attribute and therefore require a 90 percent rate in order to achieve the acceptable level?

A I'm not sure of that. I don't know that I can answer that.

Q Why not?

A Because there are other items of examination for welds which are subjective, which the inspector cannot determine the integrity of the weld by inspection.

Q Well, I asked you about one which is subjective namely -- I thought you said that an as-built condition is a

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surface condition which is -- is an example of a surface 1 condition which does not affect the integrity of the weld? 2 In my opinion, that's correct. 3 Under this statement from the NRC then, that 4 would have been classified as a subjective attribute? 5 That is correct. 7 So it would have been subjected to a 90 percent passing rate in order to achieve objective? A That is correct. 9 10 Now can you give us an example of an aspect of a weld, which does not fall within the category of a surface 11 condition which does not affect the integrity of the weld? 12 13 MR. MILLER: Excuse me. Is it subject to the qualification that's in this sentence about visual weld 14 examination or do you mean just generally? 15 16 MR. CASSEL: That's a good clarification, Mike. 17 Let's take it one at a time. 18 BY MR. CASSEL: 19 20 21

The first question is going to be if you can give us an example of such a condition? The second question will be whether it can be detected visually. Okay? So the first question is can you give us an example of an aspect of a weld which is not a "surface condition which does not affect the integrity of the weld?"

(Witness Tuetken) Repeat the last portion?

800-626 00 Q Sure. A moment ago I asked you if you could give us an example of a surface condition which does not affect the integrity of the weld and you gave us as-welded condition as an example.

Now I'm asking you for an example of the other side of that fence. Can you give us an example of an aspect of a weld which does not fit within the category described in this sentence, namely surface conditions which do not affect the integrity of the weld?

A The only way I know how to answer it is the integrity of the weld is a judgment made by an engineer and not by an inspector. And so, in responding to you from an inspection standpoint, I don't know how to respond to your question. Either I'm losing it or --

JUDGE SMITH: I'm having trouble with the question myself. Let's describe this weld that you're talking about now. What different aspects are there to it? Is it a subjective weld?

MR. CASSEL: I'm asking about --

JUDGE SMITH: Is it a subjective attribute?

MR. CASSEL: Is the weld a subjective attribute?

JUDGE SMITH: This weld that you are asking him to identify, if it exists, I want to know all of the modifiers that you have put on it.

MR. CASSEL: I haven't put any on it.

JUDGE SMITH: You said it's a non-surface condition which do not affect the integrity of the weld.

MR. CASSEL: Oh, the aspect of the weld. In other words -- maybe I should use the term condition. I'm not sure.

This statement says "We understand this classification --" and by that they mean subjective "-- will be used only for certain conditions.

JUDGE SMITH: So it's subjective. You're asking about subjective welds, subjective inspections?

MR. CASSEL: No. I'm asking about particular

MR. CASSEL: No, I'm asking about particular conditions relating to a weld.

MR. MILLER: Mr. Chairman, would it be at all helpful if Mr. Tuetken got out one of our demonstrative exhibits and perhaps try to be of assistance in that way?

JUDGE SMITH: I guess you'll have to ask Mr. Cassel.

MR. CASSEL: I wouldn't object to it, but I'm not sure taking the time to do that. Why don't we try to move along. If anyone thinks that's helpful, I certainly don't have any problem.

BY MR. CASSEL:

Q Did you understand the statement to suggest that some aspects of a visual weld examination should be treated as subjective, and therefore require a 90 percent passing rate and other aspects regarded as objective and therefore

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requiring a 95 percent passing rate?

(Witness Tuetken) I believe that's what the sentence was trying to relay. That is correct. We did not know how to apply that premise.

Okay. If that's what the sentence was trying to relay, namely that some portions of a visual weld examination were subjective and others were objective, can you give us any examples of portions which pursuant to this would have been objective and subjected to a 95 percent pass rate?

No. Because in our mind visual weld examination is a subjected element or activity through its evaluation.

Wasn't the dividing line that this sentence attempted to draw between the objective aspects and the subjective aspects the phrase "surface conditions which do not affect the integrity of the weld?"

MR. MILLER: Judge, I haven't objected to guestions which ask what Mr. Tuetken's understanding of this sentence was and he has, I think, responded as fully as he can. He's now being asked to put himself in the shoes of the author of the letter and interpret it and I don't think that's fair.

MR. CASSEL: That wasn't my intention. Literally, Mr. Miller is correct, but I meant what his understanding was. WITNESS TUETKEN: Could you repeat the question,

JUDGE SMITH: That wasn't your intention?

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BY MR. CASSEL:

Q Yes. We recognize this is trying to divide a visual weld examination to some aspects which are subjective and others which are objective. I'm trying to find out what the dividing line is. Was it your understanding that any aspects of the visual weld inspection which related to surface conditions which do not affect the integrity of the weld were to be treated as subjective, and only those were to be treated as subjective?

And other aspects were to be treated as objective?

A (Witness Tuetken) That was my understanding of what this sentence was trying to relay, yes.

Q Now I think you earlier stated that you could not give me an example of an aspect of a weld that would fit on the objective side of that line. Why can you not do that?

A Again, I would repeat which I thought I said before, a visual weld examination, as we see it, is a subjective activity. It is the interpretation of what is required, the comparison of that interpretation to the product form and then a judgment as to its acceptability.

JUDGE SMITH: What we need now, I think, and it would be very helpful for the rest of the hearing, would be a definition of what a visual weld examination is.

WITNESS TUETKEN: I will try and relay it.

JUDGE SMITH: Particularly as compared to the other kind of examination.

WITNESS TUETKEN: I would like to use the example exhibits to try to do that.

JUDGE SMITH: Okay.

MR. MILLER: Let the record reflect that
Mr. Tuetken has the physical exhibit which was admitted
into evidence as Demonstrative Exhibit A.

JUDGE COLE: Physical Exhibit A.

MR. MILLER: Physical Exhibit A, I beg your pardon. Thank you.

WITNESS TUETKEN: This is a weld. The question at hand is are there any surface conditions that affect the integrity of the weld. The problem with this is that individually anyone may not affect the integrity of the weld, or it may. Only a designer can make that determination as to its significance to the integrity.

A welding examiner knowing, by his training, what the standards apply and require, goes to the actual production joint, visually examines the weld. He will use tools to, as I will call it, calibrate his eyes to judge the size of the weld as meeting its design requirements. He will measure the length of certain defects using a tool and taking all of these processes together. He makes a collective decision as to its acceptability. In that case, we believe it to be subjective.

JUDGE SMITH: Subjective?

WITNESS TUETKEN: Subjective.

JUDGE SMITH: Even though he uses measuring

25 devices?

WITNESS TUETKEN: The application of the devices only are used to calibrate his eye. They do rot necessarily go/no go the whole weldment. He uses it to judge the size of the weld as he makes a comparison interpretation.

BY MR. CASSEL:

Is it not correct, Mr. Tuetken, that the use of -- and you'll have to help me with the proper instrument -- I believe a weld guage, or some sort of measuring device, is a relatively recent practice at Byron and that the visual weld inspections that were the subject of the reinspection program were done without measuring devices, but just eyeballed? Is that correct?

(Witness Tuetken) Repeat your question. I don't agree with parts of it.

I'm not sure I do either, but I'm trying to find out what the facts are.

Let me state the question and answer.

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The question is have weld guages been used -employed in the examination of welds at Byron since inception? Weld tools and guages were available to the inspectors. They used them, based on their judgment of the need to examine a weld.

The reinspection program applied them more rigorously than what was applied originally. Therefore, there is no demonstration of uniformity over time.

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Q Wasn't there a point in time, at a rather recent point in time, when the practice became standard to use weld guages for every visual weld inspection at Byron, or for everyone of a certain kind?

A The practice has evolved to the point that many inspectors are using them, primarily because of the continued amount of over-inspections, over-reviews. Inspectors have had a trend, or a tendancy, to use guages more than what is necessary, in my mind.

Q Do you have any knowledge, based on your experience at Byron, whether it was very common or rather unusual for the inspector, whose inspections were reinspected, to use these guages or merely to have access to them and not use them?

A I know they all had access to them. I cannot state how rigously they have employed them.

Q Let's take the example of a crack in the weld or crack that is visible and includes something you can see on the surface. Would that be an example of surface condition which may affect the integrity of the weld?

A Yes.

Q Would it have been possible to score the inspector's ability to detect cracks in the weld at a 95 percent level, rather than at a 90 percent level?

A Yes.

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1	Q Was that done?
2	A No.
3	Q In fact, all of the visual weld inspections that
4	were a part of the reinspection program were treated in
5	their entirely as subjective inspections, is that correct?
6	A That's correct.
7	Q Was then, this statement from the NRC complied
8	with in the implementation of the program?
9	A In the sense of cracks, no. There were, however,
10	two cracks identified out of 40,000 welds.
11	Q Were there other aspects of the welds which, like
12	cracks, are surface conditions which may affect the
13	integrity of the weld?
14	MR. MILLER: Objection, the question as asked was
15	may affect, either may or may not. I thought that was
16	Mr. Tuetken's point about 20 minutes ago. The question, with
17	respect to cracks, was answered in terms of yes it does
18	affect the integrity of the weld.
19	JUDGE SMITH: Was that his answer?
20	WITNESS TUETKEN: A crack will affect the integrity
21	of the weld, yes, sir.
22	JUDGE SMTTH: A crack will always affect the
23	integrity of a weld?

WITNESS TUETKEN: Affect it, yes.

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Are there any other surface conditions which will always affect the integrity of the weld?

(Witness Tuetken) Any combination or any condition in an extreme can possibly affect the integrity of the weld.

JUDGE SMITH: Go down your list of examples, sir, on Physical Exhibit A.

WITNESS TUETKEN: Porocity could be to such an extreme that it could affect the integrity of the weld. However, it's location and its populace in that location may not affect the integrity of the weld.

JUDGE COLE: You're making a judgment about the level of affect.

WITNESS TUETKEN: And an inspector cannot do that. An inspector cannot be an engineer and know the loadings on that weld.

JUDGE COLE: But even a small amount of porosity could have some affect on the integrity of the weld. So I just don't know how to interpret your answer when some you say it affects the integrity and others you say it doesn't affect the integrity or it could affect the integrity.

I would think any one of these deficiencies could affect the integrity.

WITNESS TUETKEN: That's correct.

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JUDGE SMITH: Now in the sense that you use the crack, you said every crack will affect the integrity.

WITNESS TUETKEN: Correct.

JUDGE SMITH: Then you emphasized you said affect, not perhaps destroy the integrity, but affect. Is that what you meant?

WITNESS TUETKEN: Yes, sir.

JUDGE SMITH: Is not the same consideration true of porosity?

WITNESS TUETKEN: That's correct.

JUDGE SMITH: So that's the problem. You have to be very careful with your language here. You began to describe porosity, as Dr. Cole pointed out, as may affect.

WITNESS TUETKEN: Okay, could.

JUDGE COLE: Did you mean to say that a crack is more likely to have a detrimental affect on the structural ability of the weld to resist what it's supposed to resist?

WITNESS TUETKEN: Yes.

JUDGE COLE: And it would apply less to porosity because you know there's a difference between a crack in a weld and the problems associated with porosity are generally less than those associated with the crack. Is that what you tried to bring across?

WITNESS TUETKEN: Yes.

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MR. CASSEL: Judge, I move the admission of

Intevenor's Exhibit R-8 for identification into the record.

MR. MILLER: No objection.

MR. LEWIS: No objection.

JUDGE SMITH: Intervenor's Exhibit R-8 is

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(The document previously marked for identification as Intervenor's Exhibit R-8 was received into evidence.)

BY MR. CASSEL:

Ω Mr. Tuetken, as I ask you this question, if you need to refer to the reinspection program report, let me know and we'll do that. Otherwise, let's try it without taking the time.

Are you familiar with the table in the reinspection report -- I believe it's Table Q9-1 -- which purports to be a summary of the non-reinspectable attributes by the contractors at Byron?

- A (Witness Tuetken) I'm familiar with the table, yes.
- Q And that is not a complete listing of the non-reinspectable attributes, is it?
  - A It is not.
- O Now in your direct testimony you indicate that
  you believe approximately 80 percent of Hatfield's inspections

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were reinspectable, correct?

- A Yes.
- Q What was the basis for that statement?
- A It was an assessment to the population which exists within any one class to its population as a whole in the plant.
  - Q What was that assessment based on?
- A Information provided in response to discovery request by yourself, plus additional information which I'm aware of exists in this populace form, as to the plant.
- Q Did you actually have data which would reveal the 80 percent or did you have to make some subjective judgment, sir?
  - A Subjective judgment.
- Q The answers that you provided to Intervenor's interrogatories provided the number of inspections in categories that were, in fact, reinspected but did not provide any data for the numbers of inspection in the categories that were not reinspected, correct?
  - A Correct.
- Q Did you actually have data on the number of inspections in each of the categories that were not reinspected?
- A No, I assessed its population in proportion to others.

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Q How did you do that?

A . Just by my familiarity with my work on the project.

Q So that was basically an educated questimate and you did not have any specific numbers on which that was based?

A No, I used engineering judgment?

Q The 70 percent, with respect to Hunter -- that is that 70 percent of the Hunter inspections were reinspected. What was that based?

A The same processes I used for Hatfield.

Q In other words, you had specific data on the numbers of inspections in the categories that were, in fact, reinspected and you used engineering judgments without specific data in the categories that were not reinspected?

A Correct.

Now I thought at your deposition last week you indicated that you had obtained certain data from some of the contractors after Intervenors had posed interrogatories to you. But then subsequently you had thrown that information away. Is that correct?

A Correct.

Q What information was that?

A I made phone calls as to population in certain areas and amount of hangers and other components which had been, by design, removed and therefore no longer reinspectable, some assessment of how much rework had been done.

Q	So this would	have been data	relating to a
number of	inspections in	the categories	that were not
reinspecta	able?		

- A And some in the areas that were reinspectable.
- Q But you provided that information to Intervenors in the interrogatories, correct?
  - A That's correct.
- Q So the only data that has been thrown away and is not presently in either your possession or Intervenor's possession is the data that you had on the number of inspections in certain categories that were not reinspected?
  - A Correct.
- Q Your testimony also states that less than 50 percent of PTL's inspections were reinspectable. Do you know how much less than 50 percent of PTL's inspections were reinspectable?
  - A No, but significantly less.
  - Q What is your basis for saying that?
- A That PTL's populace of inspections is heavily weighted into concrete and soils-type inspections, mostly concrete. Therefore, the numbers of inspections were large. Those are not recreatable events. Therefore, being that large a population is a significant weight factor.
- Q That again is a judgment on your part, for which you do not have specific data?

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MR. CASSEL: No further questions at this time, Judge.

JUDGE SMITH: Are you done with this panel? MR. CASSEL: No, I'm not done with Mr. Shewski, I'm sorry. I would just inquire of what would be more convenient for the parties. Do they want to do redirect and cross on Mr. Tuetken and Del George, or do you want me to proceed with Mr. Shewski?

I think Mr. Shewski's testimony will be in very different areas then the testimony we have just covered and it might be better to proceed with Mr. -- with the other examination of the witnesses we just heard.

MR. MILLER: Judge Smith, we tendered them as a panel. I'd just as soon have all the cross-examination appear in one place in the transcript, and my redirect --

JUDGE SMITH: We would prefer to have them as a panel, so go ahead with Mr. Shewski.

MR. CASSEL: Fine.

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### BY MR. CASSEL:

Q Mr. Shewski, you are Commonwealth Edison's Corporate Manager of Quality Assurance; is that correct?

A (Witness Shewski) That is correct.

Q And you have been since the inception of the reinspection program?

A That is correct.

Q And your department conducted three audits of the reinspection program?

A There are three in my testimony, plus there is one more.

Q What is the one more that is not in your testimony?

A A corporate audit that was done in February 1984. That is referred to in my testimony.

Q It is referred to in your testimony?

A But not an exhibit.

Ω When was the first of those audits conducted?

A In June of 1983.

Q And why was the first audit not conducted until June of 1983?

A It was deemed that that was about the right time to get a good audit of the activities as to the implementation of the reinspection program.

Q Deemed by whom?

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A By Quality Assurance.

Q And was that under urging from the NRC Staff to commence an audit of the program?

A It was not under urging. It was commenting by the NRC Staff, but it was not -- well, you might say it was urging, but it was planned to be done in June and was programmed at that time, because generally the contractors got underway in a reinspection program rather slowly in April, May, and we thought that the best time to do it was in June.

Q Your testimony also indicates at page 29 that you had or your department did 14 audits of Hatfield since August of 1983; is that correct?

MR. MILLER: Page 32 is the precise reference.

MR. CASSEL: I'm sorry. Yes, it's on page 32.

The answer begins on page 29. That point is on page 32.

WITNESS SHEWSKI: That is what my testimony says.

# BY MR. CASSEL:

Now is that relatively more attention on the part of your department to Hatfield than you provided to the other contractors at Byron in that timeframe?

A (Witness Shewski) I don't believe so.

Q It's about average?

A It's about the same.

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Q Your testimony also states that special audit and surveillance -- this is on page 32 immediately following that -- special audit and surveillance attention and emphasis was applied to Hatfield during this period.

Do you mean by that just the same level of special attention that you provided to every other contractor at Byron during that time period?

A I mean by that, we are attuned to give Hatfield a close watch as to what they were doing.

Q Why did you decide to do that?

A Because we wanted to be sure that Hatfield, as well as the other contractors were performing properly and meeting requirements. In fact, all our audit program was increased during that timeframe in order to cover the contractors even more completely, even more often and more comprehensively.

O Have you read the initial decision issued by this Board in January?

A Yes.

Q And do you recall the statement in the initial decision to the effect that Hatfield had had a number of difficulties over the years with keeping its paperwork in proper form?

A That is correct.

O Did your audits of the reinspection program and

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of Hatfield since August 1983 show that Hatfield continued to have difficulty keeping accurate records of its activities?

We found that Hatfield is doing a reasonably good job. Occasionally we found cases where documentation had omissions that were caught.

Was Hatfield, during that time period, doing as good a job as the other contractors at Byron in that respect?

A As a general statement, they were doing as good as most contractors on site.

Your testimony on page 32 indicates that you found 17 deficiencies in your various audits and inspections of Hatfield since August 1983; is that correct?

> A Yes, sir.

Did some of those 17 deficiencies relate to Hatfield keeping inaccurate or improper records of its activities?

As stated in my testimony here, it involved follow-up and objective evidence omissions, personnel qualification and certification errors, inadequate identification on weld traveller cards, lack of inspection of combination hangers, improper disposition of discrepancy reports, and failure of certain OC inspectors to perform required read/study activities.

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Ω Well, at least two of those categories appear to involve difficulties in maintaining proper paperwork.

Would you agree that inadequate identification on weld traveler cards is an example of the historical problem that Hatfield had, which the Board noted in January?

JUDGE SMITH: I want to interpose here. You've asked two questions of Mr. Shewski along that line, which require him to agree with the Board's initial decision along that line. I don't know if he intends to answer and accept your premise.

MR. CASSEL: I'm not sure the question is relevant. I'll just ask it for the record to be clear.

JUDGE SMITH: Your most recent question assumes that this witness agrees with you, that there's been a historical problem on recordkeeping in Hatfield. You had an earlier question of that nature, too. He may or may not agree with your premise.

### BY MR. CASSEL:

Q Do you agree with the Board's finding concerning Hatfield's difficulties in maintaining accurate records of its activities?

A (Witness Shewski) I don't believe I do agree with the Board, that we have had serious -- strike that.

Q I'm sorry. Could you speak up, please. I'm having difficulty.

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A Could I have the question again, please?

Q Do you agree with the Board's finding that Hatfield has had historical difficulty in maintaining accurate records of its activities at Byron?

A I do not agree that they have had historical difficulty. They've had difficulties, but not historical.

Q The Board didn't use the word "historical," and I may be misleading you by using it.

MR. MILLER: Judge Smith, I really have to object. The Board specifically noted in its initial decision that the evidence before it was somewhat random in nature with respect to Hatfield. It was sufficient, obviously, for the Board to reach certain conclusions, and you did so. And unless Mr. Shewski is referring specifically to that portion of the initial decision or portions of the initial decision, I don't see how he can answer the question, because he knows, I think, perhaps more than anyone else in this room about the documentation issues with respect to Hatfield.

JUDGE SMITH: I think your better approach is to ask Mr. Shewski straight factual questions, and don't base them upon other people's opinioins -- to wit, ours. Allow him to express his own opinions.

MR. CASSEL: Fine.

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JUDGE SMITH: I'm not foreclosing it, but I just see that you're headed for difficulty along this line. Right now we have a record which would suggest that Mr. Shewski did agree with the Board's findings, if you take a few questions out of context.

MR. CASSEL: Just to make sure the record is clear and bearing in mind Mr. Miller's request that we zero in on the specific reference --

(Pause.)

BY MR. CASSEL:

You may recall -- and I don't mean to pursue this too far, so if the Board wants to foreclose this line of inquiry, just let me know, but I do think that we want to have the record --

JUDGE SMITH: I don't want to foreclose it. I just want the record to be accurate. I don't think it's inappropriate, but it's inaccurate.

BY MR. CASSEL:

In paragraph D-438 of the initial decision, appearing at page 300, and if you need a copy of it before you, just let me know -- the Board stated, "We are most concerned that Hatfield seems to be prepetually incapable of maintaining reliable records of nonconforming and deviating conditions."

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WITNESS SHEWSKI: I do not agree with that. But I would like to explain how the impression may have evolved with regard to Hatfield over time.

JUDGE SMITH: Mr. Shewski, I am sure that you will have an opportunity to do that, and if no one gives you that chance, you may raise it yourself, if you wish, but I don't want to interfere with his line of questioning now.

So you do not have any basis upon which you can examine Mr. Shewski on the assumption that there has been a continuing problem with the records, as far as he is concerned.

### BY MR. CASSEL:

Since August of 1983 when you began the various audits which we have been discussing, the 14 audits, has Hatfield had a problem in maintaining reliable records of nonconforming and deviating conditions at Byron?

(Witness Shewski) Hatfield has had isolated cases of documentation problems, as we stated.

Can you identify the isolated cases to which you refer?

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A In Audit Finding 6-83-86 --

MR. MILLER: Would you refer us to the

attachment?

MR. SHEWSKI: Which is Attachment H to my testimony, it was found that field problem sheets were being used to track and identify deficiencies, rather than their nonconformance system.

BY MR. CASSEL:

Did you say Attachment H to your testimony?

(Witness Shewski) I'm sorry. G.

O That's the only instance of difficulty of maintaining proper records that Hatfield has had since August of 1983?

A The other one that is identified is in Attachment Q, Audit 6-83-124. It deals with the establishing of finding, relative to establishing of weld traveler cards with ccaplete information, which Hatfield was in the process of correcting at the time of the audit.

The reason we documented it as a finding, rather than an open item, is to be certain that it was tracked until full completion.

Any other examples, or are those the only two? MR. MILLER: You mean in connection with the reinspection program, or generally?

MR, CASSEL: Since August of 1983.

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WITNESS SHEWSKI: Another one was Exhibit R on Audit 6-83-124, where Hatfield had not performed the necessary inspections of work that had been done by the heating, ventilating and air conditioning contractor on attachments to the hangers. This is really not their fault from the point of view that the work was done by others; however, since it was their hangers, that they installed and attachments made to them, they were responsible for the inspection of them. Therefore, the documentation

BY MR. CASSEL:

of the inspection had not been done at that time.

Any others?

(Witness Shewski) If there are, I don't recall them. There may be, but I don't recall them.

MR. MILLER: Mr. Cassel, I just observed, Mr. Shewski is looking at the reinspection program report --I'm sorry -- the attachments to his testimony, and he may --I don't know whether he believes himself limited in answering the question to the attachments to his testimony.

MR. CASSEL: No, I'm not limiting the guestion to the attachments to your testimony.

BY MR. CASSEL:

Has Hatfield had any difficulties with maintaining reliable records of nonconforming and deviating conditions at Byron since August 1983, is the question.

You have given us three examples, and I'm asking mgc 16-3 1 2 whether there are any other examples that you know of? 3 (Witness Shewski) I cannot recall any others. 4 On page 33 of your testimony where you refer at the top to inadequate identification on weld traveler 5 cards, is that a reference to Attachment 0? A Yes. 8 And that's all it refers to? 9 Yes. 10 And the next category -- the second to next 11 category after that, improper disposition of discrepancy 12 reports, to what does that refer? 13 I believe that has to do with the field problem sheets that were used. 15 That would be Attachment G to your testimony? 16 Yes. 17 And you don't believe that that refers to anything 18 other than Attachment G? 19 I don't recall it referring to anything else. A 20 Did you write your testimony, Mr. Shewski?

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The category immediately preceding on page 32 and 33, that sentence in your testimony immediately preceding the weld travelers, refere to personnel qualification and certification errors.

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Did that include problems with documentation, or is that something else you are referring to?

A That had to do with incomplete documentation that was identified.

Q So that would be another example of Hatfield having difficulty maintaining accurate and reliable records.

A The documentation was available. It was not in the proper format in the file.

Q Does that refer to one of the attachments to your testimony?

(Pause.)

A It does not, not to my knowledge. I can't find that it refers to anything in my testimony as exhibits.

Q And you cannot, other than the examples you've already given, you cannot recall any other instances that Hatfield has had difficulty maintaining reliable or accurate records since August of 1983?

No, I cannot.

Q Let me refer you attention to Attachment D to your testimony, page D-2, Attribute No. 3, Termination, and specifically the third sentence, quote: "The tally sheets appear to accurately reflect the data contained in the reinspection reports; however, the final results contained in the detailed inspector results did not accurately reflect the data in the tally sheets," close quote.

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Is that another instance of Hatfield, since August of 1983, failing to maintain accurate or reliable records?

A' This is a case of transferring numbers, and the results upon further checking found some numbers that were not exactly right. This is, from the way we look at this, this is a human error, and it occurs when you deal with numbers and tallying of numbers.

Q On page D-3, Attribute No. 8, in the first paragraph under Attribute No. 8, the fourth sentence, I quote: "The reinspections were performed using the supplementary sheets, but the tally sheets accounted for only the six items on the HP-981 checklist," end quote.

Is that another instance of Hatfield failing to maintain reliable and accurate records since August of 1983?

A It is a case where they do not properly tally the results.

Q Isn't it a fact, Mr. Shewski, that if we spent a good deal of this Board's time going page by page through the attachments to your testimony, that we would find instance after instance of similar items regarding inaccurate maintenance of records, including records of numbers by Hatfield?

MR. MILLER: I'm going to object. If there is

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testimony in the record that there is instance after instance that Mr. Cassel wishes to bring to this Board's attention, he ought to. He ought to do so and not just ask Mr. Shewski to accept his characterization of testimony.

JUDGE SMITH: Mr. Shewski can answer. I'm sure he's capable of answering the question, if he agrees with it or not.

Is it a fact?

WITNESS SHEWSKI: I do not agree with the characterization made in the question.

BY MR. CASSEL:

Do you have an alternative characterization of what we would find concerning Hatfield's recordkeeping if we went through the attachments?

MR. MILLER: That one, I think, is clearly objectionable.

JUDGE SMITH: Yes, I agree. Sustained.

MR. CASSEL: I was just trying to save some time here, Judge.

BY MR. CASSEL:

Let's put it this way: Is it your position that there are in the attachments to your testimony no other instances than those you have already identified, of unreliable or inaccurate recordkeeping by Hatfield?

MR. MILLER: Judge, if the request is that

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Mr. Shewski review every attachment to his testimony, A through S, and get a tabulation for Mr. Cassel, I suppose that's appropriate examination. But to ask him to remember the details of these attachments, I think, is unfair.

JUDGE SMITH: Let's find out what your purpose Is it to establish through his testimony your view of the facts, or is it to test his memory?

MR. CASSEL: A bit of both, Judge. We have here an issue both relating to Hatfield's ability to maintain accurate records, and I believe there is a good deal of evidence of the continuation of that since 1983, and we also have the Corporate Manager of Quality Assurance for Commonwealth Edison on the issue of Edison's oversight of the contractors, with particular regard, in this case, to the responsibility that they have to assure that Hatfield does maintain accurate records.

And if the fact is that there are numerous instances of inaccurate records, and the Manager of Quality Assurance is unable to recall anything more than a handful of them and characterizes them as isolated, I think that says something about Edison's oversight of its contractors.

MR. MILLER: It may say something about Mr. Shewski's memory. I don't think anyone would suggest tuat the Corporate Manager of Quality Assurance is supposed mac 16-8 1

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to carry in his head every detail of every inspection, which is really what Mr. Cassel has asked him to recite from memory.

JUDGE SMITH: With respect to your first purpose, it does not help the record to have to run Mr. Shewski's written testimony, through his oral testimony, and back out again. If you think that the record demonstrates your point, you are free to cite it on your proposed findings or whatever.

With respect to his memory, I think you do have a right to test his memory somewhat. I think also Mr. Miller's point will be relevant, and that is, what would this Board expect him to know about his responsibilities?

MR. CASSEL: I would agree with that.

JUDGE SMITH: He is, after all, the Corporate Manager of Quality Assurance.

BY MR. CASSEL:

Mr. Shewski, as Corporate Manager of Quality Assurance, since August 1983, have you spent your full time on quality assurance matters?

(Witness Shewski) Yes.

And approximately what proportion of your time since August of 1983 has related directly to matters at Byron?

A A good portion, but not all.

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O More than half?

It would seem so, yes.

And what has been your specific role with respect to the quality assurance activities at Byron in that timeframe?

Every day I talk with the site each morning to discuss the activities and concerns, things that come up the day before. I also give the site organization direction of additional things they should be looking into. For example, I often tell them, "Well, that's beginning to show signs of some kind of problem. We ought to do either a surveillance and an audit there right quick." I give them that kind of direction. I'm also available for consultation to determine whether or not the item is of such magnitude that a stop-work should be initiated.

And generally it's a manager's role of giving adminstrative guidance and establishing accountability for activities of the site organization on site.

Are the problems relating to the accurate -maintenance of accurate and reliable records by Hatfield, which are presently outstanding?

A I am well aware that we have been talking and have had much said about the documentation of Hatfield, and we have taken a lot of extra steps and giving a lot of special attention in order to keep any other possible

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problems -- to come forth relative to documentation and the items that we are documenting on these audits and surveillances, because we are so carefully watching almost anything we can out there to assure that there is no slip-up in documentation, or at least catch it early on, so it doesn't cause a serous problem, and that is why you are seeing these items in these reports that I think are minor, at the point at which we caught them, so we can keep everything right out there, and when the job is done, all is well.

Q The question, Mr. Shewski, was whether there are outstanding items at this time with regard to Hatfield's maintenance of accurate and reliable records.

A There could be some small items, but the big item, which is the traveler card, weld traveler card, is essentially complete. And that was the one that caused the documentation concern relative to Hatfield.

Now your oversight of Hatfield consists of a number of audits and surveillances, correct?

A Yes. And daily involvement with the day-to-day activities of those contractors by our Quality Assurance inspectors and engineers that are assigned to Byron Station and the Construction Quality Assurance Department.

Q And since August of 1983, have your people reviewed, either through an audit or a surveillance, all of

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the documentatation which Hatfield has been required to maintain at Byron?

A All -- if you didn't say "all," I could answer the question.

Q Okay. What proportion of the documentation do you believe Edison's people have reviewed?

A We have undertaken in virtually every audit an examination of documentation as part of the audit. There is generally an audit question that causes us to check documentation. We have done an audit check. We did a very comprehensive authenticity audit check -- excuse me -- document check of the records at Byron in June of this year, which was finished at the end of June. It was of Hatfield, Hunter, and Pittsburgh Testing Laboratory. We did our first major check of documentation for authenticity and that there was no fraudulent activity associated with it back in 1982, which was a two-month audit, and we have done -- but we have been very attentive with each of these three contractors, particularly that the documentation is accurately being produced and kept.

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afternoon break.

1	Q Maybe the question is one that you can't answer.
2	I don't know. But the question that I asked was what
3	proportion of Matfield's documents has Edison directly
4	inspected since August of 1983? If you can't answer it,
5	just let us know, but if you can I'd be interested in your
6	answer.
7	A I can't give you numbers.
8	Q Can you give us any indication whatever?
9	A It was a large sample. That's all I can tell
0	you.
1	Q A large sample?
2	A Yes. In the various areas of documentation that
3	are kept in connection with the job.
4	Q And in that large sample you found a number of
5	problems with Hatfield's maintenance of accurate and
6	reliable records, to which you have test fied in the last
7	half an hour?
8	A On the contrary, I did not find a lot of problems
9	with the documentation of Hatfield. We found some here
0	and there problems, but not a lot.
,	MR. CASSEL: Could I have a one or two minute
2	break, Judge?
3	JUDGE SMITH: I think it's time to take our

MR. MILLER: He's just about finished with Mr.

Shewski.

MR. CASSEL: The purpose of the one to two minute break was to discuss -- I think we're pretty close to being finished, but I need a couple of minutes to make that decision.

JUDGE SMITH: Let's take our ten minute afternoon break. That way you can review your notes and officially conclude the cross-examination and we can begin immediately with the Staff's cross-examination.

(Recess.)

JUDGE SMITH: You may proceed, Mr. Cassel.
BY MR. CASSEL:

Q Mr. Shewski, Attachment O to your testimony refers to a situation in which Pittsburgh Testing Laboratory, after the third party inspection or over-inspection was done of its reinspections, then apparently purported to override the third party reinspection and change the results. Is that correct?

A (Witness Shewski) The way you state it, there is other factors that led them to get to that point, but in the end result, they did override some of the original inspections.

Q And when they overrode the third party inspection results, did they first advise Edison that they were proposing to do that?

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0	Was there anything in the reinspection program
design or	the instructions which would have led PTL to
think that	it was authorized to overrid the third party
inspectors	?
A	No.

Were you personally involved in this particular audit?

Involved in the sense that I was involved in A the discussion of it and also that I got it and read it.

And other than the fact that the criteria for overlap and undercut for visual weld inspections had recently been changed, did PTL have any other explanations for the fact that they had overrode the third party inspector?

Their explanation was that when they went back they deemed that the original inspection of some of the welds that they overrode on were really not called correctly and they improperly went ahead and overrode those original calls.

And did they claim to have some understanding that they were entitled to do that or did they just admit that they were flat out wrong?

I don't know the answer to either one of those, but it is wrong.

On page 31 of your testimony, with reference to

PTL, you indicate a number of deficiencies including whiteout being used by one person on sample logs. What kind of sample logs does that refer to?

A I'll have to look it up. I'll have to look in here and find it.

Q Do you need to look in there to know whether this was just a technical blemish or was it they were whiting out some information that shouldn't have been whited out?

A It doesn't matter. Whatever it was, they're not supposed to use whiteout without -- at all. They're supposed to cross it out and initial it and make the change and initial it. And this was an incorrect correction of a document.

And this whiteout instance would be described in one of the attachments of your testimony? You don't need to find it now. If it's there we can find it later.

A I believe it is.

Q In Attachment Q, page 4, it indicates that 19 percent of the welds -- these are Hatfield welds -- were rejected on initial inspection. On the following page, Q-5, it refers to a 20.7 percent reject rate for certain Hatfield welds. And on the following page, Q-6, it refers to a 19.4 percent reject rate for certain Hatfield welds.

Are these reject rates typical of the reject

1 rates for Hatfield welds at Byron? 2 These are running numbers of reject rates and what should be looked at the end, but the normal reject 3 rate is in the order of 15 percent. 4 Normal reject rate for Hatfield or for all the 5 contractors at Byron? 6 This kind of work. 7

Regardless of who the contractor is?

Generally that's my experience. First in -- in connection with the first inspection, usually this type of work has a reject rate in that area.

And these are the rates of rejection of the weld on the first inspection?

A Yes.

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MR. MILLER: Why don't you turn to the end of the story on page Q-11?

> MR. CASSEL: I have no further questions, Judge. JUDGE SMITH: Mr. Lewis.

### CROSS EXAMINATION

# BY MR. LEWIS:

Let me begin with Mr. Tuetken. Mr. Tuetken, if you can look, in your testimony, to question and answer 33 which is on page 20 and 21. You refer there to the fact that although normally information provided to reinspectors, to enable them to perform their reinspections, contain the

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name or the initials of the original inspector that the exception you note in your testimony was for as-built dimension inspections.

Your answer then goes on to speak in terms of for these inspections the information provided to the reinspector did not contain the original inspector's intitials or name. With respect to reinspections of dimensions -- of as-built dimensions, were you concerned particularly about knowing the name, having the reinspector know the name of the original inspector? Or were you concerned about him having the actual dimension measurement from the original inspection?

A (Witness Tuetken) I'll answer that question by referring, also in my testimony, to interpretations and the one specifically the interpretation number one which was Attachment to page A-3. The senior resident and the resident inspector at Byron made comments that they felt that the -- specifically in the area of as-built data taking, that the reinspector would be influenced by the presence of the original data in his activity of performing additional dimensional undertaking.

And for that reason, new data base documents are created for the as-built data taking effort. In that activity, the original inspector is not specifically identified. Additionally, because the as-built effort is a

more than one man effort, just a team effort, it was not able to identify the specific inspector who took the dimensions.

Q Do you distinguish, in issuing interpretation number one, did you distinguish in some way between inspections of dimensions measurements and other types of inspections?

I note that interpretation number one says that for this type of inspection activity, it would be inappropriate to provide the reinspection inspector with the original inspector's data because this may influence the actual data taking.

Did you find that to be a problem, with respect to other types of inspections, or only this one?

A Well, the condition with other types of inspections -- for example, a weld. A welder was reinspected was already a welder that has been inspected and found acceptable, based on the fact that it existed in the file, in the documents record file.

The inspector, without knowing the condition the original inspector saw, knew the original inspector had found it acceptable.

The same analogy applies to determinations, et cetera. So he knew the condition was found acceptable.

Q Are you stating that for other types of inspections it was not necessary to screen that information

from the reinspector, because he would have already known it?

A Yes.

Let me ask, Mr. DelGeorge, if you could look at question and answer 36 of your testimony. That is a lengthy answer but the matter I want to explore with you is that there is a discussion in that answer of 91 fituo gao discrepancies.

And I believe this would be on page 44, where you state that none of the fitup gap discrepancies identified were found to have design significance. Are you aware of the testimony I am referring to?

A (Witness DelGeorge) Yes, sir.

Q Are any of the fitup gap discrepancies still under review by Sargent & Lundy?

A I'm not s.re. I believe that -- I believe that the issue has been dispositioned completely, but I'm not sure.

Q Perhaps I can ask that question of a Sargent & Lundy witness. I don't know whether the Sargent & Lundy witnesses who are being offered would specifically be knowledgable in that area, but I can reserve until again.

MR. GALLO: Can I have the guestion again?

MR. LEWIS: The question is as to the 91 fitup

gap discrepancies which are stated, in Mr. Del George's

testimony, to have been determined to have no design

significance. The question is whether Sargent & Lundy still

has under review, under evaluation, any of those fitup gap

discrepancies.

MR. GALLO: Thank you.

BY MR. LEWIS:

You also speak, in that answer, of only 12 -you corrected it to 12 discrepancies, affecting 12 hangers,
being considered valid. You then go on to say the remainder,
having been shown to be in conformance with current design
requirements.

Is that -- what is your definition, in that testimony, of the term "valid?" A valid discrepancy?

A (Witness Del George) The item which accumulated

to the total of 12 were, in fact, discrepancies with respect to inspections performed, or a lack of information, which suggested that an inspection had perhaps not been adequately performed.

And in that sense, because a design requirement on a drawing or specification had not been met, the discrepancy noted was determined to be a valid discrepancy. There was certain other noted or observed discrepancies which were later determined to be not valid because it, in effect, represented the result of the reinspection not having properly interpreted the drawing requirement such that the as-found condition was, in fact, in accordance with the design as it was intended.

Q Was it Commonwealth Edison Company or Sargent & Lundy that made a determination as to whether or not a discrepancy was valid?

A I believe it was done in concern with Commonwealth Edison and Sargent & Lundy and Mr. Tuetken can speak to that.

Q I'd be happy to have him do so, please.

A (Witness Tuetken) The primary source for making determinations were led by myself and, as stated, by Mr.

Del George. They were reviewed by other individuals, including Sargent & Lundy employees. The 12 valid discrepancies are a function of an item of non-compliance, in fact, which created this inspection its purported basis being that we had

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made an error in judgment, I guess is my words, in assuming that a connection detail -- without physical verification -could be accepted solely on the basis of another inspection at that connection location -- that being the weld of the connection.

here there situations in which you engaged in discussions with the designers? Evaluations with the designers in order to determine whether or not discrepancy would be considered valid or not?

- As is characterized in the number 12 here?
- Yes, as it's used here in this answer.
- Even the 12 discrepancies are not necessarily -in fact, after further review, the 12 discrepancies are not design significant. They were significant to the item of non-compliance, however, in the fact that they were the results of our error of judgment, of using a substitute inspection as demonstrating an acceptable connection.

I guess that's the best way I can characterize it.

(Witness Del George) And if I may add, they are valid in the sense that the condition observed is truly discrepant. It does not meet a design drawing or a design specification requirement. These discrepancies, having been established as valid discrepancies, were also evaluated to assess the design significance, that is the fitness for use of the component found to be discrepant.

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On the basis of that evaluation, it was also determined that none of the discrepancies in this class of 12 had design significance.

Ω Is that in the nature of an update to your testimony? On page 45 you say that each of the 12 discrepant hangers are being evaluated to determine whether remedial action is required. Are you now testifying that that was completed and it was determined that no such action is required?

A Yes, I believe I can make that statement, with one exception. There was one discrepant condition which involved damage to a hanger. We have, however, been able to determine that that damage was incurred after the original inspection was performed, in as much as this was a discrepancy identified on a fireproofed support, the inspection would have been performed prior to the fireproofing. And the fireproofing, as well as the support, had been damaged.

So we don't attribute the damage which causes the rework to the discrepant condition associated with the initial inspection.

- Q And that item was fixed?
- A It has been fixed.
- Q Mr. Del George, in the answer to the following question -- question 37 -- let me first of all start, as I

understand question 37 is asking you to comment on whether or not the facts underlying certain additional NRC inspection reports, in the electrical area, affect your conclusions as to Hatfield's inspector qualification certification program.

In the course of your answer you make the statement that -- and I duote -- "The matters addressed in those inspection reports are not significant."

The reference, I believe, is to inspection reports for Unit 1 84-09 and 84-27, I believe are the two. In using the term significant there, are you speaking in terms of significance for your conclusion as to the certification qualification program for Hatfield QC inspectors, or are you using it in some other way?

A I made an assessment in light of these assessment reports of their impact on the conclusions I reached, relative to inspector certification. And I don't believe these specific non-compliances to be significant in the sense that it would change my conclusions.

MR. LEWIS: Thank you. That's all I have for this panel.

#### EXAMINATION BY THE BOARD

# BY JUDGE COLE:

Q Just a couple of questions. Mr. Del George, in your testimony on page 30 and 31, questions 27 and 28, you

referred to statistical significance of the sample. You've been asked several questions about the -- what, if any, statistical basis there was for the reinspection program.

And I believe you responded to those that it was engineering judgment, at least in setting up a program. Do you recall your answers to that, sir?

A (Witness Del George) Yes, sir.

Q Now you refer back to question 11 and you do state, in questions 26 and 27, referring to the concomitant statistical significance of the sample. Have you quantified this in any way, sir? With respect to statistical significance?

A No, sir, other than as described in my testimony, which was to make reference to what I believe to be an accepted reference source in the field of statistical quality control, that being Military Standard 105-D, the use of which suggested to me -- as I recorded -- that the sample of inspectors chosen was appropriate.

Q All right, sir. And your results of that are summarized on page 15 of your testimony?

A Yes. sir.

Q Are you familiar with the basis that was used in the development of Military Standard 105-D? Are you familiar with the standard?

A I am familiar with the standard and I am cognizant

of the history of its development.

Q Do you know what statistical basis was used in the development of the recommendations that are contained in Military Standard 105-D? What sort of reliability was involved? What sort of percentage reliability you might expect from the results there?

A The standard itself represents a family of sampling plans, each of which provides different levels of reliability, acceptable quality for a given percentage of -- and a given number of items sampled, as well as defects to be found.

So one can't say that the standard has associated with it any particular reliability level. One needs to look at the specific sampling plan contained in the document first.

Q All right, sir. Did you do that?

A In arriving at these numbers we did review the sampling plans within Mil Standard 105-D to assess what would be -- and I defined the condition in my testimony, at the bottom of page 14 -- what would be the appropriate sample size for a given situation.

Q Is that, then, your basis for your statements on pages 30 and 31 of the concomitant statistical significance and sample?

A Yes, and I might point out that it was not my

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intent to suggest that this review had been done at the time the program was developed, but rather at a later point in time, as a basis for confirming the original judgments which were relied upon in developing the program. I understa; d that it was not used as the basis for the program but it is one way that we can look back and say

- Yes, sir. That's correct.
- And that's the way you used it?
- Yes, sir.

well, how did we do?

You referred to, on page 12, in response to question 11 on line 4, you referred to small populations. What do you mean by a small population, sir, and is that contained -- is reference to that contained in 105-D? Your basis for referring to them as small populations?

That's many questions, but I think you understand what I mean.

The Mil Standard does not specifically define what is a small or what is a large population.

By Mil Standard you mean --

Military Standard 105-D. My reference to small populations comes from my own experience in having participated in the use of that Military Standard for other sampling plans, some of which were discussed yesterday. And it's my belief that for small populations, 100, where the

population being sampled is 100 or less, that was my

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On page 18 in response to Cuestion 17, in the third sentence of your response, you state: "For example, an inspection is not recreatable if the attribute inspected was reworked at some time after the original inspection."

In response to a question earlier today, you were quoting some relative numbers of percent reject on welds, and I wonder how many of the welds would be in the category that would be non-createable because of that?

I'm afraid I can't bring to mind the specific statement I may have made, but Mr. Tuetken may be better able to characterize what percentage of welds would not have been recreatable for this reason.

Let me tell you what my concern is, and then Ö you can address it in a general way.

With respect to welds, for example, if we are only going to include in the reinspection program welds that have not been reworked, is that creating an articifical family of good welds to be reinspected, because the worst welds would have been reworked, and you don't even look at them aga 17 How do you rationalize that, excluding those welds that have been reworked? How do you justify the value of a reinspection program?

A First of all, I don't believe that exclusion of these reworked welds has that negative effect. And the reason. I believe that to be the case is, as you know, the

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sample in this program is chosen on the basis of inspectors, whether that inspector did an original inspection of the original -- of the weld in its original condition or an inspection of a reworked weld. Both cases could have been captured in the program. The case that was not captured is the case represented by the original weld which had been reworked in such a way that the original condition was no longer there, in which case what the original inspector had seen could no longer be seen. But reworked welds inspected by inspectors prior to 19 -- September of 1982 could have been and were captured in the reinspection program as a function of specific inspectors chosen in the sample.

Q Okay. So you could have, then, an original inspection of a reworked weld, and that would be included.

A Yes, sir.

BY JUDGE SMITH:

O I have a question on that very same sentence, that goes in a different direction, and that is, if you have a reworked weld, isn't it like that that weld was reworked because an inspector, in the first instance, caught it, found it defective and ordered it rewelded?

A (Witness Del George) That's correct.

Q So then by eliminating reworked welds, if there is a significant number of them, is a conservatism. The

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inspector was obviously correct in his call that the weld iginally defective. Otherwise it wouldn't have been reworked.

Yes. We have to assume he was correct. And the result of that was remedial action to rework the weld.

But you eliminate that from your sample. You've eliminated a certain amount of presumably correct calls.

> We did do that yes. BY JUDGE COLE:

On page 21 of your testimony, Mr. Del George, in the first full paragraph on that page, the second sentence, you say, "Reinspections were performed to the same, or in some cases, more stringent criteria than had been used in the original inspection."

Could you explain to me the basis for that, and if the prime goal of the program was to determine the qualifications of the inspectors, why was it not inspected to the standard that the inspector used?

(Witness Del George) 'Probably that the example that might be most useful for discussion is the example of a visual weld examination. We have talked already today about the use of filler weld gauges as a part of weld examination. The practice in the early years of construction at Byron was to have such gauges available,

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but their use was not prescribed by procedure or by code.

In the reinspection program, fillet weld gauges were used to assess the entire length of a weld for every weld, and in that sense, where gauges were allowed but for which we had no absolute record of their use in the reinspection program, their use was uniform, and that introduced an added level of conservatism, in that the results from the use of the gauge provided more objective bases for assessing the size of the fillet welds.

But that wasn't necessarily more stringent. You were still using the same standard, weren't you?

I guess it's in the way we define "standard." The standard against which the weld was assessed was, in my view, more conservative where the gauge was used over the full length of the weld, as opposed to perhaps not being used, in which case the visual weld inspector made a judgment about the size of the weld without reference to a gauge or where he may have used the gauge on a point of the weld, as Mr. Tuetken suggested, to calibrate his eyeball, and then made an assessment of the adequacy of the remainder of the weld.

In the case of the reinspection, the gauge was used across the full length of the weld.

Okay. And the gauge would more readily determine the discrepancies than the eyeball?

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A Yes.

Q Is that what you mean when you said "more stringent criteria," or were you referring to something else, because with the example of the gauges, I don't think the criteria is any different?

A Well, there are other examples. In the case of visual examination, under the ASME Code, the criteria for porosity is not explicitly defined. The criteria associated with surface examination under the Code relative to porosity was applied in assessing the results of the visual weld examination where porosity was identified.

So where the Code didn't say how much -- didn't establish a threshold above which the item was rejectable, but rather just said -- well, just required a visual examination, the discrepancy was evaluated against the acceptance criteria for surface examination, which itself is a more objective technique.

O Okay.

A (Witness Tuetken) Let me try to add something to what I heard. We're asking inspectors who have been in the '83 timeframe conducting inspections, even though they are directed not to apply today's standards and criteria when they reinspect two-years-ago work, to try and be appropriate to the original inspector's criteria, it is difficult to deprogram new intelligence out of

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inspectors in this timeframe.

Particularly after you just get them trained, right?

So after you have them programmed that way, they will continue to have a tendency to apply it that way, and that creates an over-conservatism to the original inspector's criteria.

Okay. I take it, there were no examples where the criteria was less stringent than it was back in '82?

(Witness Del George) I can't think of any.

(Witness Tuetken) Not as applied to the reinspection program.

Q On page 25, about the middle of the page, you talk about the reinspection program being subjected to close outside scrutiny.

To what are you referring, sir? If you are referring to -- are you referring to the third-party inspector inspections or something else?

(Witness Del George) Well, I'm referring to our Project Construction Department's regular oversight of the program, as well as our Quality Assurance Department's regular oversight of the program. The third-party inspections play a part as to the subjective attributes, as well as the NRC's regular involvement through the conduct of the program. It's all of those factors that I combine

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in making this statement.

With respect to the category, "Indeterminate," you had, I believe, one Hunter inspector, one Hatfield inspector, and two PTL inspectors in the "indeterminate" category.

A Yes, sir.

Because they were in that category, they were then, in effect, dropped out of the reinspection program, and the next person in line was then selected?

The data -- that is, the inspections of theirs that were reinspected -- were accumulated and are reported and evaluated as part of the program data base. The individual was put aside, but the results of reinspections for his work were retained in the program data base.

It is true that having put him aside, a substitution was made of another individual for whom the first three months of work was reinspected.

All right, sir. Now for those four indeterminate inspectors, those four inspectors who were categorized as inderminate, what happend to those particular attributes? What was followed up? What did you do with respect to those discrepancies, and what are you planning to do, if you haven't done it already?

Well, one of the reasons they were indeterminate or the reason that they were indeterminate

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was that they had no future or additional work that was subject to reinspection. For that reason, 100 percent of the work performed by that inspector in the attribute for which he was determined or identified as being indeterminage was reinspected. So in that sense, every inspection that was reinspectable for that individual was recorded and subsequently evaluated as a part of the program data base.

Now I note in your testimony, sir, that the third-party inspection, overview inspection, of all Level III inspectors, I understand, was from both Sargeny & Lundy and Daniels Construction; is that correct?

A Yes, sir.

They looked at all of the discrepancies that were uncovered; is that correct?

That is correct.

Did they look at the discrepancies of the four indeterminates?

> Yes, they did. A

And they were included in their total numbers?

A Yes, they are.

Q Page 33, question 31, in line 5 of your response you say the program demonstrated the effectiveness of those practices for representative sample of inspectors from which it can be inferred that the same practices were effective as applied to the remaining inspectors. Now I believe you have been asked some questions about that.

Did you try to make any calculations to quantify this or to determine some level of confidence for the inference that you're trying to make here, sir? I know we have some testimony on quality of work that addresses some of that, but here we're talking about the inspectors.

A I had considered evaluating on the basis of mean and calculation of variance, some statistical way of assessing performance. It's my judgment that that would not necessarily have been a meaningful approach and I did not pursue it further.

Because of the nature of this program, where we started a priori with a set of people whose qualifications were not suspect and that they met the existing standard accepted as a basis for certifying individuals. And where the vast majority of the inspectors -- and as we reported the case of Hunter -- all of the inspectors, with the exception of one indeterminate individual. And in the case of Hatfield, all of the inspectors -- with the exception of the one indeterminate inspector. And in the case of PTL,

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all of the inspectors, with the exception of two indeterminates and one failure, passed the program acceptance criteria.

I believe that that supports the inference that the program, as a whole, was properly certifying inspectors and it was on the basis of that judgment that I made the inference.

I guess I wouldn't have been able to resist trying to put some levels of confidence on that.

Well, I know how to do it, but I did not do it.

Okay. Page 37 and 38, I guess I must have missed something. I don't know the difference between observed and valid discrepancies. Is this the Level III input, for the Level III inspector input?

> A No, sir.

What is the difference there?

Observed discrepancies are those discrepancies identified, in the case of objective attributes, by the Level II inspector. All discrepancies identified by him were noted and recorded in the program. The first level of evaluation that was performed, was to determine whether or not that observed discrepancy was valid in the sense that it actually did represent a discrepancy with respect to existing design, drawings, or specifications.

To the extent the observed discrepancy did not represent a discrepancy to current design drawings or

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specifications, it was judged to be not valid and no further action was required. As you can see, in the case of the objective discrepancies, there were a number of observed discrepancies which, upon evaluation, engineering evaluation, were shown not to be valid.

In the case of the subjective discrepancies --

- Who made the engineering evaluation, Sargent & Lundy?
  - Sargent & Lundy.
  - 0 Okay.

In the case of subjective discrepancies a similar process, logic process, was followed. But we need to recall that the third party review by a Level III inspector was introduced. And for that reason, the disparity between the observed discrepancy count and the valid discrepancy count is significantly reduced.

And, in fact, those items that were identified as not being valid discrepancies were limited to such things as weld spatter, for example, that wasn't on the surface of a weld, but was limited and on the adjoining parent metal. That was not counted as a discrepancy associated with weld inspection. And there were very few cases of that type after the third party inspection had been performed.

Q All right, sir. Thank you. That's helpful. Mr. Tuetken, I just have really one question for

you. It has to do with your appendices, the interpretation summary on page A-4, interpretation 2 and 3. And it's on some other items here.

But my question is with respect to a classification as inaccessible. For example, on page A-4, in the letter or the memo, it states "It was my understanding that we will not perform any turn of the nut inspections. They will be shown as inaccessible."

And in other filings here, it tells you why that would be less than meaningful, to conduct those kind of inspections. My confusion is why would that be shown as inaccessible and not unrecreatable? It seems to me that it's the latter.

A (Witness Tuetken) It is. However, the way we develop the -- I don't have the February 23rd letter to the NRC. I think they only define as inaccessible, usually being one word with a double definition, physically inaccessible or physically not recreatable.

- Okay, that answers my question.

  That's all I have, thank you.

  BY JUDGE SMITH:
- Q I have several questions. I don't really care who answers them, the best qualified should. And I'll pick them up from testimony beginning with Mr. Del George.

On page 17 of your testimony, Mr. Del George, you

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testified that all reinspections actually performed were included in the program data base, even if that inspector himself was dropped out, because of selecting the next one. Was that initially the case, or was that a consequence of Mr. Laney's observations?

A (Witness Del George) No, sir. That was always the case.

Mr. Laney may not, then, have been well informed on that point.

I believe, sir, our original program reports did not reflect the entirety of the program that we had performed. His comment led us to be more specific in addressing that point.

Page 25. You state, and I think the point is made in other testimonies, too. And I will read it. "Second, Edison's experience clearly indicated that inspectors are inherently more conservative in their judgments when they are participating in a reinspection program which is subject to close outside scrutiny."

That relates to a question that the Board had and was addressed by Mr. Hansel. The other side of the coin is we wanted to know if the fact that a workman and an inspector knew that his work would not be inspected after it became inaccessible and unrecreatable, could that affect the quality of the work in the inspections? And Mr. Hansel

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says no, not at all. That's not a factor.

I think he says that on page 18 of his testimony. He says he never experienced that phenomenon and that inspectors take pride in their work and usually were unconcerned about having anyone check the completed inspections for accuracy.

Do you disagree with Mr. Hansel? Is there something I don't understand about it? But it seems to me on the one hand you're saying they do better work when they know that their work is going to be inspected and looked at by outsiders. But Mr. Hansel, your expert, has the viewpoint that the work is pretty steady.

A (Witness Del George) I would explain that in the following way. I think Mr. -- I don't mean to speak for Mr. Hansel, but I interpret his remarks to indicate that all inspectors, from his experience, are responsible and do the best job that they can.

However, the environment of a reinspection program produces an influence, in my view, on a person conducting a reinspection and to the extent, in the performance of that work, a judgment where a close -- well, I'll call it a close call -- exists where before in the responsible performance of the work the inspector may have said this is a close call but I think it is okay. It's my view that in the reinspection program, that inspector is more likely to say

this is a close call. I better call it on the conservative side and reject it.

And it is my experience that reinspectors, where there is a close decision to make, will call it on the conservative side as opposed to relying on their judgment and calling the item acceptable.

And I think we can point to the results of our program to provide some support for that argument. In that, as I have just discussed with Dr. Cole, there were many discrepancies observed which were later, based on evaluation, determined not to be valid discrepancies. And it's this conservatism and approach on the part of reinspectors which gives added credibility to my prior experience.

Q You really are, to use your words in a studied fashion here, you are talking about conservatism in judgment and not more care?

A That's correct.

Q At the bottom of page 26, the last sentence that begins at the bottom of that page, you state "In addition, the original inspector sampled population for the particular contractor involved was expanded by as much as 50 percent, as much as 50 percent for the attribute in question depending upon the number of inspectors still available for inclusion in the program."

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earlier testimony, our earlier decision. So I'm just coing by memory, but I don't recall earlier testimony as putting 50 percent at the top limit. I thought that the expansion would be indeed 50 percent.

Let me try and explain. In the case of -- for example, in the case of PTL, where there was one failure against the subjective criteria requiring an expansion of a sample, the expansion was in the subjective attribute. There were not, however -- taking the total population of remaining welding inspectors, there were not sufficient remaining welding inspectors to meet what would have been 50 percent of the original inspector's sample. And that's the meaning of the sentence.

And that's because the original sample was larger than the one out of five?

And the original sample took into account both objective and subjective attributes.

So the standard, however, was that where it was possible it would be 50 percent?

Yes, sir.

Page 33 -- that was my que tion about -- oh --Reworking, and a suggest that a conservative might be involved there because it may be reworked because of an inspector finding it faulty. However, I believe the testimony also is that reworking is likely. Or perhaps you can tell us to

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be a result of design change?

A That's also possible.

Q Is my concept that there may be a conservatism there, is that of any significance? What is your judgment? Is that an important conservatism?

A I don't see it as an important conservatism.

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Q On page 36, the middle paragraph, "All discrepancies that were determined to exceed an ASME Code examination acceptance criteria were repaired," how about the AWS?

A No, sir, they weren't. In the case of the ASME Code, Illinois is what is referred to as a "Code State," and we are required by law to fulfill the examination acceptance criteria of the ASME Code. So to preclude the possibility that an inspection later in time would identify the same discrepancy, all of those ASME discrepancies were reworked, notwithstanding the fact that they were of a nature that they could have been accepted on the basis of our engineering evaluation.

In the case of the AWS Code, there is no such restriction, and we could rely, therefore, on the engineering evaluation to disposition the item, "Accept As Is."

Q c. Tuetken, I have a few guestions for you, too.

Mr. Klingler worked with you on the reinspection program. He issued some of the -- what do you call them? -- definitions?

A (Witness Tuetken) Interpretations.

Q Is he Mr. Stanish's successor?

A No.

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Mr. Hansig, H A N S I G (spelling). 3 Mr. Hansig is the Site Quality Assurance 4 Manager? 5 Superintendent. 6 When did that take place, that transfer of 0 7 responsibility? 8 Let me try to answer a question I don't think 9 you're asking, but I'll put things in perspective. 10 Mr. Klingler used to work in Ouality Assurance 11 as a Quality Assurance Supervisor. He was brought into 12 the construction area in late 1981. I made a position 13 called Quality Control Supervisor. That provides some 14 perspective about Mr. Klingler. 15 Mr. Stanish was superseded -- Mr. Hansig took 16 Mr. Stanish's place, I believe in the timeframe of March 17 of this year, but Walt would know more specifically, I think. 18 (Witness Shewski) That's about right. 19 Was he involved in the reinspection program? 0 20 A (Witness Tuetken) Yes. 21 (Witness Shewski) Just a minute. Mr. Hansig A 22 became the superintendent in the fall of last year. 23 So he was involved at the end of it? 24 A Yes. 25 Is he happy with the results, do you know?

Who is Mr. Stanish's successor?

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Yes, sir. A

You've discussed it with him? 0

Followed it closely, too.

On page 8, Mr. Tuetken, Answer 17, we note here 0 -- I just realized I want to ask this question in camera, so I'll come back to this under some other circumstances.

On page 17, Mr. Tuetken, you are discussing Mr. Wells, the Hatfield inspector. He had a reinspection which resulted, as you state, in 99.07 percent acceptance rate with the reinspectable visual weld inspections performed by Mr. Wells during the 30-day period.

We've heard testimony that you have a 90 percent acceptance rate for visual welds, because of the highly subjective nature of them, the difficulty of repeatability, and that a 10 percent disagreement is normal.

Is this 99.07 percent -- does that cause you any concern about the validity of those results?

(Witness Tuetken) You're asking me why 99 versus 902

Here's a man where apparently you had over 99 percent repeatability of his subjective inspections. And my question is, does that raise any concern in your mind that that was a reliable --

My answer is basically this: The event that raised this concern causing 30 days of his work to be

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reinspected occured in the spring of '83. Therefore, it was close in timeframe to the -- it was reinspected close in the timeframe to when it was actually initially inspected. It was not a wide distribution of inspections over time. So therefore the evolutionary process of the inspectors becoming more critical, which occurred, has -- results in such a disjointed disagreement rate, and that's why I believe the 99 percent is appropriate. It's a little surprisingly high, but I'm not concerned.

Q Better high than low.

A Yes. There were other inspectors in the reinspection program who also performed at relatively high rates in the welding examination. Some inspectors performed 100 percent. I would have to go look at the exact numbers of distribution, but I think Hunter's overall rate was somewhere in the range of 97 percent. So, you know, 97 to 99 doesn't surprise me.

Q Does Daniels Construction provide third-party reviewers, Level III inspectors? Is that a special arrangement with them for this purpose?

Yes. They are performing the work at Byron.

JUDGE COLE: Except for the reinspection?

MR. TUETKEN: Correct.

BY JUDGE SMITH:

O Mr. Shewski, you testified this time and the last

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whether the unit concept inspection. I'm confused about whether the unit concept inspection was a method employed in the reinspection program, or as my memory has it, it is something that you initiated independent of the reinspection program?

A (Witness Shewski) In September 1982, I initiated the unit concept inspection idea. And what that is, is a selection of some spatial area in the plant or some equipment and conducting a complete inspection of that area to design and manufacturer's design drawings to verify that the plant is built according to design drawings. And we take a new space area in the plant every week, and to date, we must have close to a hundred.

And the unit concept that we did in connection with the reinspection program check of the inspectors was a takeoff on that, except it wasn't a week long. It was about -- I guess it was from August 1st to September 19th.

Q I've just now focused for the first time on your language here. You call it a "special" unit concept inspection, and you meant by that something other than your earlier unit concept.

A Yes.

BY JUDGE CALLIHAN:

Q I will adress you gentlemen as a panel, although I may make reference to your individual testimony. mgc 21-6 1

That's purely for identification and introduction, so please feel free to answer as you wish.

Mr. Del George, there has been considerable discussion the last couple of days about the selection of contractors whose work was to be subjected or reviewed in the reinspection program.

I think on page 10 of your testimony you present some remarks on that subject. I wonder if you would like to review or maybe even amplify what you have there for the record, in order to, in your judgment, I think, substantiate the reasons for the selection of the three or four contractors which were most thoroughly reviewed?

A (Wintess Del George) As is stated in my testimony, there were 19 contractors performing work at the Byron site at the time the program was developed. The question that led to the development of the program was whether or not inspectors whose qualifications were judged by the ANSI Standard N-4526 had been properly certified -- that is, uid they have the requisite experience and training to allow for certification?

Of the 19 contractors, there were 16 for whom the ANSI standard was applicable for the certification process. The other three contractors had their inspectors certified to a different standard, The Society of

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Nondestructive Testing, SNT-TC-1A.

For that reason, there was no uncertainty relative to those three contractors, and they were eliminated from further consideration under the program. In addition, there were three contractors whose work was already undergoing substantial reinspection. Those three contractors were Reliable Sheetmetal, the heating, ventilating and air condition contractor, whose work, I believe, was being almost if not 100 percent reinspected. In addition, Mid-Cities Architectural and Iron Company and the American Bridge Company, who had performed structural work at the site, were being subjected to a quality control structural steel review program — in other words, a reinspection program of their work.

In that case, that was a program that was an outgrowth of our experience at the LaSalle County site where we had undertaken a structural steel review, found certain discrepancies. Although those discrepancies were not judged to be significant, we thought it prudent to undertake a similar program at Byron, and did for those two contractors.

As a result, those three contractors whose work was already being reinspected were not included in the Byron reinspection program contractor sample. The remaining five contractors performed work that we knew at

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the outset was either inaccessible for reinspection or could not be created. For example, Reliance Trucking was the rigging contractor for major lifts at the site. Those rigging hold points, which were subjected to inspection, could not be recreated, so there was nothing we could do relative to that contractor.

However, we believed that there were separate indicia of the acceptability of that work or other assurances that the other work was conducted adequately, and to the extent discrepancies existed, they were dispositioned because damage to equipment in the rigging process would have been identified most probably as a part of the startup, the preoperational testing program at the site, or other walkdown inspections that are characteristic of the ongoing construction activity.

Another of those five contractors was

Midway Industrial, the painting contractor, whose
inspection points were of the initial surface condition
of the features to be painted, and that feature could not
be reinspected. So we were not in a position to reinspect
the painting contractor's work.

The remaining three contractors of that population of five were Delta-Delta Midstates, who installed the rebar at the site -- now it was our view for that contractor that we had done -- we had performed

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very estensive oversight of his work, which provided us with added assurance that his work was done acceptably.

In the case of Delta-Delta Midstates, before any concrete pour over rebar, the rebard configuration was evaluated and reviewed by the Commonwealth Edison Project Construction Department, as well as being audited or surveilled by our Quality Assurance Department. So we had a separate indicia of acceptability for that contractor's work.

The remaining two contractors, one of whom was Contracting and Materials Services, installed certain underground piping at the plant, all of which was hydrostatically tested, and we believed that that other test form provides a separate basis for concluding that that work was acceptable.

The remaining contractor was Ceramic Cooling
Tower, which also installed what now is underground piping,
and there, too, that piping was subjected to hydrostatic
testing which provides additional confidence that the
pipe was installed properly.

That left us with eight contractors. Two of those contractors had been the subject of special attention by the NRC Staff in their Inspection Report 82-05, specifically their Finding 82-05-19, those two contractors being Johnson Control and Powers-ASCO-Pope.

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Because of the concern expressed by the Staff, the sample that was chosen for those two contractors was chosen at 100 percent. We agreed initially to review all of the inspectors certified by those contractors prior to September of 1982.

The remaining six contractors, who are the subject of my testimony, were sampled on the basis of the selection of one in five inspectors. And I think we can see by observation of the results, at least for Hatfield, Hunter, and PTL, that we, in fact, captured more inspectors than the original sampling of one in five, in part due to the fact that the NRC Staff added inspectors to the original sample, and that addition presumably was based on special significance that they placed to individuals.

So in that way, to the extent that they believed that certain individual's work should be reinspected for whatever reasons, they were added to the original sample.

So that's the analysis, the evaluation that went into our development of the contractors chosen for reinspection under the Byron reinspection program.

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Q Thank you. I think that's helpful.

I have a rather severe hangup on semantics. It hasn't surfaced from other sources, so maybe it is I who is uninformed or incorrect. I will play for you a scenario and ask you to tell me where I am wrong.

The reinspection program, as I know it, was basically a reinspection of inspectors. Not their work, per se, but a reinspection of inspectors. It is quite true that obliquely from that consideration came an evaluation of the work which they had done.

Now my scenario is this. Inspector A in the

-- and let me be more specific in my terminology. A reinspector -- a reinspector is an inspector in the inspection program by my definition.

A reinspector is assigned a guota of welds and I say he goes out, with his guage and his flashlight and a piece of paper in his hand, and he looks at that weld. And he says this weld is okay. He looks at his piece of paper which records the earlier inspection of the most recent inspection and necessary rework, if any, of that particular attribute of that particular object.

And the piece of paper says that weld is okay, so everybody is happy. He goes on to his next assignment and he looks at the weld and he says this one is no good. He looks at the piece of paper and finds that the former

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inspector said it's deficient. So they both get a gold star and everything is fine.

and says this weld is acceptable. He looks at his piece of paper and it says that the weld is unacceptable or vice versa. And that, to me, is a discrepancy.

A Before you continue, that 'tuation could not have arisen in the reinspection program because the discrepant weld, identified by the original inspector, would have been reworked to eliminate the discrepancy. So the reinspection was classified as not recreatable.

I thank you, but I protected myself by saying vice versa. Now my vice versa is a discrepancy. And that ends the reinspection program, as originally defined.

But we have found is that, in that one instance, the original inspector called the shot incorrectly. In two other instances, he called it correctly. I guess what I'm getting at is the word discrepancy because I think -- and what I'm really asking is the following: in the testimony, both oral and written, it seems to me that the word discrepancy has been used intermixed between the action or the comparison of the actions by at least two inspectors, on the one hand, and has been used to indicate incorrect workmanship. And I say that's a guestion.

Is that true? Have you used the word discrepancy

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to apply to both of those instances?

A Let me try and address that. Your characterization of the way the program was implemented I believe to be accurate. There was a comparison made between the resultant records produced from an original inspection and a reinspection. And to the extent there was a difference in the recorded results on those records, an observed discrepancy was noted and captured in the program.

Whether or not that observed discrepancy was attributable to the first or the second inspector, it was assigned to the original inspector for purposes of assessing his qualification. In effect, we said the first guy made a mistake and we count that as a tick against him when we assess him against the program acceptance criteria.

We have also used the word discrepancy, in our discussion, in terms of the evaluations that were done of the work product for purposes of assessing the significance of that discrepancy to the fitness for use of the actual component. So in that sense we have used the word for two purposes.

But the item, the discrepancy, is the same one. In terms of the acceptance criteria in the program, all those discrepancies were tabulated and assigned as defects against the first inspector. But then they were evaluated after a judgment on the inspector's qualification was made. They were

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further evaluated to establish their design significance. What do they mean in the terms of fitness for use of the

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A That's correct.

component being inspected?

Q So the 60,000 or 130,000 or however many you tabulate, items are really the -- that you list in your testimony -- are really the number of observations of this and that, welds, undercut, porosity, and so forth, that were looked at?

A There were some 40,000 welds that were looked at, a total of over 200,000 different inspections of work were recreated, as part of this program. And in that population were 40,000 welds and different numbers of different other work attributes.

Now using the word discrepancy to apply to the work, rather than to the action by inspectors, what percentage of those discrepancies -- discrepancy in the hardware -- what percentage of those discrepancies have been -- let me put it first, how many discrepancies were observed?

A Relative to hardware?

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Well, that's sort of an -- that's sort of an impossible question.

There were over 200,000 items inspected and approximately 7,000 discrepancies noted, accounting in part for documentation discrepancies and hardware discrepancies. So there were fewer then 7,000 hardware discrepancies.

If you will recall my testimony relative to which of the discrepancies were valid, the 7,000 is reduced significantly when that first screen -- the first evaluation screen -- is imposed. So that the total number of discrepancies left, that affected hardware, are probably on the order of 2,000 or thereabouts. And all of those were determined to be acceptable in the as-found condition, although some of them were, in fact, reworked to eliminate the discrepant condition.

- My important question really is this. I apologize for asking that nebulous one. You just said, as I understand it, something has been done about all of them?
  - Something has been done about each of them, yes. A
- Either they had been shown to be inconsequential within design limits, or they had been fixed really?
  - That's correct.
- Just in passing, I would like to have someplace -and this is a good place -- in the record, a rather short,

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concise, clear distinction between an audit and a surveillance.

(Witness Shewski) An audit is a formal check of activities and it consists initially of a checklist of questions that must be adhered to during the audit. And the audit checklist has to have objective evidence of what they looked at, what they found, so it can be verified at a future date, if necessary. This is a very formal type of an operation or activity.

And then that is put into an audit report. An audit report requires an assessment of the organization that you audit, that you identify deficiencies and try to achieve -- at that time -- an agreement of the corrective actions. And then you get a commitment to when they are going to have the correction completed by.

A surveillance is often a tour through the plant to look at something, taking a document along or a drawing and looking from the drawing without formal preparation. And they look at it as they walk through the plant. They may watch an activity in process.

These are called product surveillances. We do that with audits, too, but that's a checklist. But the surveillance is very informal.

And if you identify deficiencies, they are written up and a surveillance report is given to the organization

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that the deficiency has identified.

Now if it's a very serious deficiency, we convert that surveillance to an audit finding right away. But if it's an item that just needs some modification to correct it, we say this is a deficiency and they have two weeks to correct it. And then if they don't, we follow it up at the end of two weeks. And then if they don't we put it into an audit finding.

Q Regardless of whether something is uncovered in an audit or a surveillance, something is done about it?

A Yes, sir.

at one item in your testimony on page 23. I will have to go back to it to get some names. This has to do with the Moehling Tapes. Apparently an evaluation was made of a Mr. Moehling, who was somebody's inspector. It isn't important really. And the numeric determined was 90.8 percent. And that cast some shadow on his qualifications.

And I repeat, this is on page 23 of your testimony. Then Sargent & Lundy's third level, third party inspection came along and found that five of the deficiencies were acceptable and this would have raised Mr. Moehling's score to 98 percent. Please stop me when I jump the track in this train here.

And then he was reviewed again and was

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appropriately certified on those bases.

guess my guestion goes back to this third level inspection, which found so many of the reinspector's judgment incorrect, if I have read your testimony correctly.

(Witness Shewski) That goes to the comments we made previously about how tight the inspectors, the reinspectors, were calling their inspections during the reinspection program.

Q Why was so much weight given to the third level or the third party, rather, third level inspections?

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Was that inspection perhaps in error?

A What we did here was that in the unit concept, we tried to see if we could verify that we could get the same inspection results with the unit concept team as was being done by the inspectors themselves. And in this case, we found that an inspector measured low, too close to the margin near the 90 percent, and we said -- we looked at that to see -- we asked the third party to look at those calls of the unit concept inspector who called those. And as a result, five of them went away. They were called too conservatively, and it really only had one deficiency instead of six.

Q Let me go back to my own terminology.

Mr. Moehling's inspection in my terminology. There was a resinspector who -- from whom one obtained data which led to the 90.8 percent. Then there was third-party inspector. So there are three individuals concerned.

The third party overruled -- the third-party inspector overruled the reinspector on the number of instances, you just stated. By what virtue do you give that third-party inspector such great confidence?

A He is the same third-party inspector that we used, the Daniels and Sargent & Lundy third party; that's the same fellow.

A (Witness Del George) When we talk about the

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third-party inspector, we don't just refer to a separate individual, but an individual whose qualifications in the standard that is applicable are higher, whose training and experience is higher than the person conducting the reinspection.

(Witness Tuetken) I think the key point I would like to make is, many of these inspectors, I would say, who are involved in inspections today across the country are inspectors without experience. They are, say, five to ten years. Therefore, they take the written law as the code and apply it very rigorously. An inspector with more experience applies that same law or that same code in its application more appropriately. In other words, he does not play a role of trying to be very conservative. He plays a proper role in not being overly conservative.

Did this occurrence cast any shadow, in your judgment, on he who I have identified as a reinspector, because he was called wrong by the third party? Did you then go back and look at this reinspector who was overruled in a number of instances by your third-party inspector?

(Witness Shewski) Mr. Moehling is the reinspector -- no -- Mr. Moehling was the fellow that was inspected by the reinspector.

He's the inspector, in my terminology.

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A Yes, we went back and verified that people on the unit concept team were trained and certified and qualified to do this inspection work also.

Is that the reinspector in my sequence? I repeat, Moehling is the inspector. You had your regular reinspection program, and that was the reinspector.

> A Yes, sir.

Then you had your third party. Now did you go back and look at the middleman who was overridden by the third party?

The answer is yes, and I believe we said in here that they were qualified under the new rules of N-4526.

So this did alert you to do some further looking.

> A Yes.

> > BY JUDGE COLE:

While you're on that point, you have already alluded to some of the differences between a Level II and Level III inspector, or the difference between a Level III, a Level II, and a Level I inspector.

Could you tell me something more about the difference in the qualifications for a Level II as compared to a Level III inspector? Do you know what the requirements are?

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(Witness Tuetken) II to III, or I, II and II?

II to III. For the reinspection program we're talking about mostly Level II and Level II inspectors.

The inspectors who are being reinspected, the original inspectors are mostly I's and II's -- in fact, all I's and II's.

The Level III's were used to establish true rejectability only in the area of visual weld inspections. A Level III inspector is one who has more experience, taking a certified welding examination established by the AWS, American Welding Society, to establish him as a Level III. In addition, he has additional training, testing requirements established within his own organization which exceed those levels of a Level II. In other words, he has to be a more knowledgeable inspector.

All right, sir. Can you help me a little bit more in getting a feel for the level of expertise of the II versus a III? Say your typical welding inspector, Level III is a man with, on the average, how many years experience as compared to a Level II?

(Witness Shewski) Depending on education, under N-/526, it could vary between about six years to as high as twelve years before he can become a Level III.

Six to twelve years of experience as an inspector before he can even qualify for the Level III?

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A That's right. Level II has a much lower level of experience plus education, such that he can make Level II easier, much easier than a Level III, and the Level III has to be capable of preparing, improving, and writing procedures.

At a site similar to Byron, how many Level III's as compared to the Level II's might you have on the site, as compared to the number of Level I inspectors?

For the most part, we try to have mostly Level II's, particularly in Pittsburgh Testing Laboratories. Level I's are generally used as helpers accompanying a Level II, until they know what they're doing. So for the most part, Pit+sburgh Testing Laboratory people are Level II's, and there may not even be one Level III on site with Pittsburgh. He may come out of the corporate office. That changes from time to time.

Any other contractors you want to speak to? (Witness Tuetken) Each contractor -- Hatfield has a Level-III on site.

One Level III?

A One Level III.

0 How many II's roughly?

The total work force, inspector population, is on the order of 80, of which 60 to 70 are Level II's, somewhere in that range.

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mac23-5 Hunter has a Level III, again with a similar 2 3 4 5 BY JUDGE CALLIHAN: 6 7 inspectors? 0 10 11 12 13 14 15 N-4526. 16 So at least a Level II. 17 At least a Level II. 18 19 moment at Intervenors' Exhibit R-5. 20 Do you have a copy? 21 22

type of ratio, about 70 inspectors. All of their inspectors are II's, except for maybe 15 down the line. JUDGE COLE: That's all. Thank you. In your unit concept, what is the qualification, special qualifications, if any, of the A (Witness Shewski) The unit concept inspectors are selected on the basis to give a full array of the areas that they are going to inspect -- for example, mechanical, electrical and structural. Those people must receive the training, testing, and have the experience and pass the requirements to become a Level II under ANSI Just as an aid, I would like to look for a (Witness Tuetken) I have it in front of me, yes. Are all of the inspectors named here presently

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	Q	The earliest certification date is May of '77
When	did	inspection, as determined by this document
when	did	inspection begin at Pyron?

For this contractor's scope of work, he began his work in 1977, and in 1977 they were doing work which required inspection.

Had other work already been done at Byron before 1977 that required inspection?

By other contractors, yes.

Were those earlier works somehow covered in your reinspection program?

Yes. For example --

MR. MILLER: Judge Callihan, I was going to say you might look at Exhibit R-3.

JUDGE CALLIHAN: That goes back to 1976. Where is 1976 in the construction history of Byron? IWTNESS TUETKEN: We got the construction permit in December of 1976 -- December of 1975; excuse me. We began construction January of '76.

BY JUDGE CALLIHAN:

So in that instance, there is earlier coverage? 0

(Witness Tuetken) Yes.

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Q And does one gather from that that the electrical Hatfield expertise area first became inspected in '772

A Correct, plus the activities, the time frame of '76. They were constructing the lower portions of the building wherein electrical work, would then go into later.

Q This is strictly an inquiry based on curiosity, but there was great discussion this morning, on page 2, about the assignment of the selection of inspectors and some apparent discrepancy was accounted for by Mr. Mulkey and his appearing as both a Level II and a Level I inspector.

A Yes, sir.

Q However, in the subsequent recounting, we passed over Mr. Malunda and Mr. Cason, who also were listed both as Level II and Level I. I wonder if there was a reason for including them in the selection of the tenth or the 15th or whatnot?

A The discrepancy is Mr. Mulkey was judged by myself, as I established the certifications of the inspections to be selected, not to have actually been certified as one. His actual activities would have been a Level II. He was not doing data taking. He was actually conducting inspections. Therefore, he was in the area that I disconnected in the second sheet.

Mr. Malunda, for his activities, however, in his

procedures, was certified only as a Level I to take data,
in certain procedures, and in other procedures, to do
inspections.

JUDGE CALLIHAN: I'll stop with that. Thank you
very much.

JUDGE SMITH: What's your pleasure?

MR. MILLER: I prefer to take a recess now,

Judge Smith, and resume tomorrow morning. I think I can
be more efficient and perhaps cut down my scope of guestions.

JUDGE SMITH: All right.

(Whereupon, at 5:30 p.m., the hearing was adjourned, to resume at 9:00 on Wednesday, July 25, 1984.)

## CERTIFICATE OF PROCEEDINGS

This is to certify that the attached proceedings before the NRC COMMISSION

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