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REGION I

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Licensee: Public Service Electric and Gas Company
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Newark, New Jersey 07101

Meeting at: NRC Region I Office, King of Prussia, Pennsylvania

Meeting Conducted: July 19, 1984

NRC Personnel: *J. C. Lynville* *7-26-84*
for J. C. Lynville, Senior date
Resident Inspector

Approved by: *L. J. Norrholm* *7/26/84*
L. J. Norrholm, Chief date
Projects Section 2B, DPRP

Meeting Summary: Meeting on July 19, 1984 (Combined Meeting Report Nos. 50-272/84-30 and 50-311/84-29)

Scope: Management meeting held to discuss the status of the PSE&G Action Plan for improvement of Nuclear Department operations, which was submitted to the NRC in August, 1983. Areas discussed included the responsiveness of the action plan to recent inspection findings which indicate continuing concerns in the areas of attention to detail, safety perspective, accountability, inquisitiveness and attitude.

DETAILS

1. Meeting Attendees

PSE&G

H. Sonn, President
R. Eckert, Senior Vice President
R. Fryling, Assistant General Solicitor
R. Uderitz, Vice President - Nuclear
J. Zupko, General Manager, Salem Operations
J. Boettger, General Manager, Nuclear Support
C. Johnson, Manager, QA Nuclear Operations
E. Liden, Manager - Nuclear Licensing and Regulation

NRC

T. Murley, Regional Administrator
R. Starostecki, Director, Division of Project and Resident Programs, Region I
H. Kister, Chief, Projects Branch No. 2, Region I
L. Norrholm, Chief, Projects Section 2B, DPRP
D. Fisher, Project Manager, NRR
J. Linville, Senior Resident Inspector
D. Limroth, Project Engineer, DPRP

Other

M. Gottlieb, Chairman Nuclear Oversight Commerce
T. Granger, New Jersey Department of Public Advocate
R. Green, New Jersey Bureau of Radiation Protection
W. Bibb, MAC
R. Rader, Conner and Wetterhahn
E. Gallods, MHB Technical Associates

2. Background

This meeting is one of the bimonthly meetings to discuss PSE&G's corrective action program progress. The specific purpose of this meeting was to discuss the status of the Action Plan that PSE&G developed in response to the MAC diagnostic evaluation and submitted to the NRC on August 26, 1983.

3. Discussion

During the introduction, PSE&G announced that the organization study discussed in earlier meetings had been completed and that a new organization described by the block diagram in the attached handout would become effective August 27, 1984. The most notable feature of the new organization is the addition of two new Assistant Vice Presidents to reduce the number of direct reports to the Vice President - Nuclear to a more manageable number. The licensee also indicated that several of the newly created positions including the Assistant Vice President - Nuclear Operations, the General Manager - Nuclear Safety Review and the Manager Outage Services would be filled initially by outside contractor personnel.

During the next phase of the meeting, PSE&G highlighted significant improvements at Salem since the restart following the ATWS events and how these improvements relate to specific action plans. The licensee further indicated which action plans address the continuing concerns identified in recent inspection reports and that some action plan priorities have been reevaluated based on these findings.

The NRC expressed concern about the licensee's ability to communicate the proper management safety perspective to all levels of the PSE&G organization. PSE&G indicated that they were certain that it is getting to all levels of supervision, but that they would reevaluate their effectiveness in getting this message down to the bargaining unit level.

Finally PSE&G summarized the status of the action plans as indicated in the attached handouts.

It was agreed that the next bimonthly meeting would be delayed until mid October because of the large number of milestones scheduled for completion in September.