

Docket No. 50-219  
File No. RI-93-A-0040

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Dear [REDACTED]

Subject: Concern You Raised to the NRC Regarding Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station

This refers to telephone conversation with Mr. Donald Funk, on February 10, 1993, in which you expressed a concern related to hydraulic snubbers being overloaded during testing by Paul-Monroe Energetech (PME) at Oyster Creek Nuclear Generating Station.

We have completed actions to examine your concern as characterized above. We could not substantiate your concern as stated since PME did not test hydraulic snubbers. We did however review PME work and determined that the deviation reports examined were reasonably resolved. Enclosed is our assessment of the review.

Should you have any additional questions or information, or if the NRC can be of further assistance in this matter, please call me collect at (215) 337-5222.

Sincerely,

Original Signed By:

Roy L. Fuhrmeister  
Senior Allegation Coordinator

Enclosure:  
As Stated

bcc w/o encl:  
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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

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## ENCLOSURE

### Review of Allegation RI-93-A-0040 - Oyster Creek Snubber Testing

1. PME was contracted to perform snubber testing during the 14R outage on nine (9) Pacific Scientific mechanical snubbers. GPUN only uses contractors for snubber testing during outages and only mechanical snubbers are tested during these times. GPUN tests the plant's hydraulic snubbers during the operating cycle with licensee maintenance personnel. Hydraulic snubbers haven't been tested by contractors for at least six years. PME was at the Oyster Creek site for about one week during 14R -- (December 7-12, 1992).
2. PME did generate their own "deviation reports" as part of their efforts. The contract agreement was that PME would generate and resolve its own deviation reports under their job-specific QA plan and keep GPUN oversight personnel aware of the issues and their resolution. There were four (4) PME deviation reports written during the 14R outage. Three DRs involved out-of-specification values for stroke and drag which did not represent snubber inoperability but indicated physical degradation of the three affected snubbers. These three snubbers were replaced. The other PME DR was a generic DR related to all of the mechanical snubbers tests. This DR noted a problem with the test data output sheet for each snubber tested was displaying the curves for calculated lockup acceleration in the data summary portion of each sheet at the top of the page. The PME onsite QC representative sent each test data sheet back to the PME corporate office for interpretation of the curves. The curve-interpreted values for tension lockup acceleration and compression lockup acceleration were then "pen-and-inked" onto the data sheet. The inspectors reviewed the curve interpretations done by PME corporate, and they looked reasonable.
3. The inspectors reviewed the calibrations and certification documentation for the test machine and the load cells, the certification records for PME personnel performing the work, the PME deviation reports, and the results of the daily testing of the test machine. Everything appeared to be in order.

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 [REDACTED] (Laborer?) EX 7(c) 1958093; 2:30pm

worked at the Oyster Creek Plant

it is unclear to the workers they said the industry has changed everything - no more respirators know you will get internal,

they were in doing shielding on recirc lines - they were doing 10 hour shifts anyway - were going in with alarming dosimeters  $\Rightarrow$  getting max dose anyway now also getting

I explained the new part 20

he said that it was extremely dusty on the pipes (-13 drywell) not only radioactive dust, but heavy nuisance dust as well heavily coated on pipes B3A's were making people in HP alarmed, they couldn't believe how high the counts were, they had to get body counts every night, weren't telling the oncoming shift

MPC hours were so high the computer wasn't allowing them into the buildings, they were overriding the computer to let them get the maximum MPC the workers were getting the max dose anyway, now they get 200 mR/dose, plus internal deposition as well. P121

there are a lot of guys out there who have worked there for years and have high externals, now they have large uptakes as well.

they were emphasizing they would get this ~~job~~<sup>outage</sup> done on time, no matter what; the shielding job was ~~is~~ critical to getting everything else on schedule, they sacrificed the workers to get the lead on the pumps

the whole crew come out contaminated every time, the HPTech wouldn't even come down to look at the conditions guys were spending 2-3 hours every day trying to shower to get levels down to where they could be released he said that he will have the business agent write in with specific

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gave his business agent (Karl Coleman) my phone number, the BA will call me, and make any necessary arrangements for contacting the workers.

Ray L. Hubmaster

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Allegation Receipt Report  
(Use also for staff suspected wrongdoing)

Date/Time Received: \* 10/14/93 2:30 p.m

Allegation No. RI-93-A-0224

Name of Allegor: \* [Redacted]  
Home Phone: [Redacted]

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Home Address: \* [Redacted]  
City/State/Zip: [Redacted]

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Confidentiality: \*

- Was it requested? Yes \_\_\_ No
- Was it initially granted? Yes \_\_\_ No
- Was it finally granted by the allegation panel? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_
- Does a confidentiality agreement need to be sent to allegor? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_
- Has a confidentiality agreement been signed? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_
- Memo documenting why it was granted is attached? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Allegor's Employer: \* GPU Nuclear

Allegor's Position/Title: \*

Maintenance Mechanic

Facility: Oyster Creek

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Allegation Summary or staff suspected wrongdoing (brief description of concern(s):

- 1) Weld repair defects on valves in sensing lines in the head vent area and possibly on the reactor head vent flanged connection were not properly dispositioned
- 2) Break in at site warehouse not handled well by security
- 3) Security guards pulling guns on individuals not involved in security drills
- 4) Management misusing split samples taken for fitness for duty purposes

Number of Concerns: 4

Employee Receiving Allegation or suspecting wrongdoing (first two initials and last name):

D.J. VITO

Type of Regulated Activity (a)  Reactor <sup>Concern #1</sup> (d)  Safeguards Concerns 2,3+4  
 (b) \_\_\_ Vendor (e) \_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (c) \_\_\_ Materials (Specify)

Materials License No. (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Functional Area(s):  (a) Operations <sup>Concern #1</sup> \_\_\_ (e) Emergency Preparedness  
 \_\_\_ (b) Construction \_\_\_ (f) Onsite Health and Safety  
 (c) Safeguards \_\_\_ (g) Offsite Health and Safety  
 \_\_\_ (d) Transportation \_\_\_ (h) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Concerns 2,3+4

\* These sections are not completed for instances of potential wrongdoing identified by NRC staff.

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Detailed Description of Allegation or staff suspected wrongdoing: \_\_\_\_\_

Alleger says he was aware of poor weld repairs done on reactor head vent flanges and other work on valves on sensing lines in head vent area during 14h outage. Says that post-maintenance assessment revealed several weld defects. Noted that, in his opinion, weld defects were significant and engineering personnel "pencil-whipped" the problem away.

Engineer was J. Anvari

Detailed Description of Allegation or staff suspected wrongdoing: \_\_\_\_\_

Alleger related his knowledge of a 9/19/93 occurrence in which a delivery man broke into the site warehouse. Apparently, delivery man arrived before 8:00 a.m. trying to find entry into warehouse that borders site protected area. He ran into a patrolling security guard who told him to wait until the warehouse opened at 8:00 a.m. Later, shortly before 8:00 a.m., guard found outside door to warehouse receiving area pried open. Individual was located hiding behind boxes & was escorted offsite by guards. Alleger says that guards did not handle the search well and that warehouse personnel told him that incident may be on tape from <sup>local</sup> inside warehouse. Alleger says that security did not call <sup>local</sup> police to notify them of incident. Alleger says GPM only called delivery man's employer (Robert's Express) who later fired the individual. Alleger said that GPM revoked security access of both the delivery man and another driver who had accompanied him on the delivery. To the alleger's knowledge, the damaged door has been replaced.



Detailed Description of Allegation or staff suspected wrongdoing: \_\_\_\_\_

Alleger provided names of 3 maintenance department personnel who told him that security guards had pulled guns on them during security drills on 7/30/93 and 10/6/93. Maintenance personnel told alleger that guards and security management told them that this new "action" had been mandated by recent NRC inspection (OSRE). Alleger also noted that individuals had notified the control room and that CEOs did not know that security drills were in progress.

7/30/93 occurrence - Ray Stolz

10/6/93 occurrence - Ken Oliver

Ron Fillman

Detailed Description of Allegation or staff suspected wrongdoing: \_\_\_\_\_

Alleger stated that he was aware of several individuals in the maintenance department who consistently display behavior indicative of being under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol. Says he doesn't understand how they are passing fitness for duty tests and alleges that the company is ~~so~~ misusing split samples to produce favorable results. Also alleged that a maintenance supervisor was covering for one of the individuals because the individual was providing the supervisor with drugs. Alleger also implicated a number of GPUN employees with drug involvement. Alleger also implicated the company physician in the cover up.

Concern #4

"Indicated" personnel:

- Bob Fleming (Mechanic)
- Paul Matterson (maint. supervisor) - covering for Fleming
- Tom Jenkins (supervisor - Site Services Dept)
- Ray Smith (engineer)
- Everett Johnson (engineer)
- Tom Zankowski (Rad. Con.)
- Frank Applegate (QA)
- Bill Gaudidas (Warehouse)
- Bill Muelheisen (Maintenance)
- Joe Boyle (ops)
- George Jercik (Maint.)
- Kathy Baranowski (Medical)