

STATEMENT

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DATE: 12-8-83

I, Harvey Daniel Hush, Jr., hereby make the following voluntary statement to H. Brooks GRIFFIN who has identified himself to me as an Investigator with the U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission. I make this statement freely with no threats or promises of reward having been made to me.

I was hired by Brown & Root at the Comanche Peak Steam Electric Station on a drill crew in October 1974. I worked on the drill crew for about 2 years and was then transferred to coatings QC under George Bentnick. Around ~~October~~ ^{April 1977} 1977 I was the only coatings QC inspector. Brown & Root started hiring other inspectors and I became the area coordinator.

When we began inspecting primer and seal coat on the liner plates, we recorded the plate numbers on the inspection checklists. Those numbers were located on the concrete side when they were installed. I ~~was~~ ^{now} believe it was James Hawkins who told me in a meeting that there were liner plate prints which would identify the specific plates to correspond with the QC inspections.

I also believe I remember that ~~James~~ ^{James} ~~Hawkins~~ ^{Hawkins} told me not to worry about the fact that miscellaneous steel that was painted did not have any tracability.

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Some after ~~that~~ I was transferred to QC, Pat Clark
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was the site QA manager, and I believe he tried to see that the coatings records were prepared properly. Clark was later replaced by James Hawkins. I remember that Hawkins and an inspector named Houston Gunn had a disagreement in which Hawkins wanted Gunn to sign off on some questionable inspections. Gunn refused to sign unless Hawkins gave him a memo saying the checklists identifying the problems were OK. Hawkins wrote the memo and Gunn attached the memo to his checklists.

When I became area coordinator (superior) I had trouble with Hawkins and my supervisor, Harry Williams, on pressure to buy off inspections. Williams reviewed all our NCRs, and Williams disagreed with ~~some~~ of the NCRs. Hawkins systematically arranged to remove inspectors who were too thorough in their inspections. I believe Charles Watkins and Roger Forte had their job deleted for this purpose. I also believe Pat Clark may have been demoted the same way. I eventually decided to leave Brown & Root because of my disagreement with Williams and Hawkins and the fact there was nobody for

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me to go ^{now} to with my problems. I finally
quit my job in October 1979.

I do not know of anyone adding tag
or location numbers to inspection reports.

The inspectors used part numbers to
identify individual parts that were
painted. On concrete we used room
numbers for identification. Liner plate
painted ~~in~~ in the paint shop ~~were~~ ^{was} only
primed ^{and} seal coated, and the
identification recorded on the checklist
was usually just "Unit I" and the plate number.

Robert Hamilton took my job when I left,
and I heard he had the same problems
with Williams and Hawkins that I had.

In the early inspections I conducted,
we were trying to "sell" TUSI Final
paint inspections ^{in inaccessible areas} ~~to areas~~ ~~that were~~ ~~the new~~
Equipment and liner plates were damaged
over and over again, and were not Final inspections.

I reviewed ^{the} the inspection checklists
of my inspectors. I never made
additional entries on their reports.

I do not know of any falsification
of any of these records, although

I am aware that the NKC later ^{7/4}

determined that the records were incomplete and inadequate.

I have read the foregoing statement consisting of 4 handwritten pages. I have made and initialed any necessary corrections. I swear the foregoing statement is true and correct. Signed December 8, 1983

~~Nancy D. Hash, Jr.~~
Harvey D. Hash, Jr.
12-9-1983

~~H. Brooks Griffin~~
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