

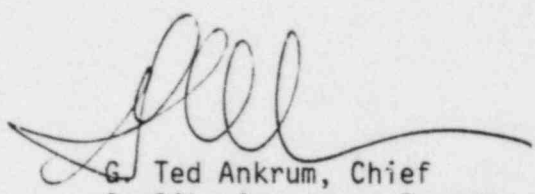
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Those on Attached List

FROM: G. Ted Ankrum, Chief
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Office of Inspection and Enforcement

SUBJECT: QUALITY ASSURANCE COUNTERPART MEETING

On November 16, 1984, a Quality Assurance Counterpart meeting was held in the NRC Region III Office in Glen Ellyn, Illinois. A list of attendees is enclosed (Enclosure 1). The attendees indicated it was an informative and productive meeting providing a good exchange of information, experience, and current problems. Enclosure 2 provides a summary of the items discussed.



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- Enclosures:
1. List of Attendees
 2. List of Items Discussed

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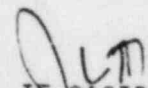
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ATTENDEES AT THE NOVEMBER 16, 1984, QUALITY
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Summary of Items Discussedat the November 16, 1984QA Counterpart Meeting

1. QA Program Plan (W. Brach)

Regions were generally supportive of QA Program Plan but would like more time to comment. The Regions were advised that headquarters would try to incorporate all comments to the extent possible. Comments received after the due date would be considered in implementation of QA Program Plan activities.

2. Commercial Grade Procurement (J. Milhoan/G. Zech)

Regions felt more prescriptive guidance should be provided for commercial grade items used in safety-related systems. Headquarters (Milhoan/Zech) requested Regional office personnel to provide input where problems have occurred in updating commercial grade equipment to safety grade. Upon receipt of this input, headquarters will consider preparing an IE Information Notice and/or revising Inspection Procedures to provide specific guidance to the Regional offices.

3. 10 CFR 50.54(a)/50.55(f) - QA Program Changes (Belke)

Regional offices requested an interpretation on whether discrepancies pertaining to the docketed SAR QA program description could be used as a basis for citing QA program description noncompliances in lieu of referring to the appropriate 10 CFR Appendix B criteria. Headquarters (Belke) will initiate a memo to OELD posing this question.

4. Readiness Reviews (W. Brach/C. Upright)

The Vogtle pilot program was explained and received general acceptance. Regional comments focused on the impact of the readiness review concept on the NRC licensing and inspection programs and the resource impact on NRC.

5. Performance Trending Analysis (J. Milhoan/W. Brach)

Regional comments were generally supportive of the need to perform trending, data analysis, and root cause analysis. Concern was expressed on the elimination or reduction envisioned for certain QA program requirements and specifications. A number of the Regions expressed an interest to work with Headquarters in identifying data and information to be trended based on recent Regional experience. A working group of HQ and Regional personnel will be formed to guide the development of this program.

6. Generic Letter 83-28

Although the subject matter associated with Generic Letter 83-28, "Required Actions Based on Generic Implementation of Salem ATWS Events," July 8, 1983, was not on the QA Counterpart Meeting Agenda, certain concerns were expressed regarding the temporary guidance available for performing near-term inspection followup to the licensee's response to this Generic Letter. Headquarters (J. Milhoan/W. Belke) agreed to look into this matter.

Results - The above subject matter was discussed with the Operating Reactor Programs Branch, (G. Cwalina). ORPB indicated that the Temporary Instruction 2515/64, "Near-Term Inspection Followup to Generic Letter 83-28," February 3, 1984, is presently being revised to delete areas which lack an inspection basis and to extend the completion schedule.

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