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1. Allegation Category: QA/QC 5A, Repair, Rework, and Maintenance
 2. Allegation Number: AQ-117
 3. Characterization: It is alleged that duplicate paperwork on flange travelers indicates a lack of communication between departments.
 4. Assessment of Safety Significance: The NRC Technical Review Team (TRT) reviewed the flange travelers identified in the allegation and found that they did contain duplicate information, although it did not involve material of safety significance. The duplication was verified by both vault paperwork and the Brown & Root (B&R) traveler coordinator. The paperwork in the vault shows that flange travelers MP-83-2389-F-1000 and M-83-2389-I-1000 were voided, and flange travelers MP-83-2389-G-1000 and MP-83-2389-H-1000 contain essentially the same information; they differed only in the stated reason why the flange required rework. The voided travelers were voided for valid but unrelated reasons, and the duplicate travelers identified in the allegation were issued the same day. All flange travelers are basically duplicates of each other in that they contain standardized steps to assemble and disassemble the flange; they differ only in the flange number and in the reason why the flange required rework.

This duplication occurred during a turnover period between B&R piping and Texas Utilities Electric Company (TUEC) start-up departments, because of the poor communication between these two groups. Construction management, having recognized this duplication problem, now processes all flange travelers through a single control point, the paper flow group (PFG). Other construction operation travelers for such items as valves, pumps, piping, and motors are also being coordinated by the PFG. The PFG has added the needed assurance that duplicate work orders are not being processed. A TRT review of recent construction operation travelers could not detect any additional duplication since the PFG took control.

5. Conclusion and Staff Positions: The TRT concludes that the duplicate travelers did indicate a lack of communication between B&R piping and TUEC start-up department. However, a B&R traveler coordinator did detect the problem and was able to prevent duplicate work on flanges, indicating that they have an effective check and balance system.

In a meeting with the allegor on December 10, 1984, the TRT presented the results of the assessment of the allegation and the TRT's conclusion. There were no major items of disagreement and no new concerns or allegations were identified.

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7. Attachments: None.

Reference Documents:

1. ISO DP-Y-AB-003.

2. Flange travelers: MP-83-2389-F-1000,
MP-83-2389-G-1000,
MP-83-2389-H-1000, and
MP-83-2389-I-1000.
3. A-1, Statement #2 and Interview with alleged A-1, p. 80.
4. Meeting with A-1, December 10, 1984, p. 87.

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