



NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
 OFFICE OF INVESTIGATION'S FIELD OFFICE REGION IV
 811 RYAN PLAZA DRIVE SUITE 1002
 ARLINGTON, TEXAS 76011

REPORT OF INQUIRY

September 30, 1983

SUBJECT: COMANCHE PEAK STEAM ELECTRIC STATION;
 ALLEGED POOR MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

REPORT NUMBER: Q4-83-023

1. On September 16, 1983, [redacted] a former Brown & Root, Inc., electrician at Comanche Peak Steam Electric Station (CPSES), entered the Office of Investigation Field Office (OIFO) Region IV, and requested the opportunity to talk to an investigator. [redacted] was interviewed at the OIFO, Region IV, by NRC Investigator H. Brooks GRIFFIN [redacted] at which time he quit because he was "unhappy" with his job. [redacted] said his foreman was [redacted] and his general foreman was [redacted].
2. [redacted] stated that [redacted] hired pipefitter [redacted] (not further identified) as an electrician, and once realizing he [redacted] was not trained as an electrician, continued to employ him rather than admit their [redacted] mistake. [redacted] said other electricians (not further identified) were made to perform [redacted] work. [redacted] said that [redacted] was hired in June 1983, and that [redacted] voluntarily terminated his employment with Brown & Root, Inc., in September 1983 (reason for [redacted] leaving unknown). [redacted] said that after [redacted] quit, he was assigned by [redacted] to re-work many of the jobs formerly performed by [redacted] said [redacted] placed a lot of pressure on him to complete this rework.
3. [redacted] complained that pressure was applied by [redacted] wherein he would not allow him to requisition material (not further identified) from the Fat Shop, and that he [redacted] had to find various required materials laying around the site needed to complete these tasks. [redacted] said that [redacted] threatened to fire him on August 24, 1983, for "looking around" (scurrying) for materials, even though it was his [redacted] only source for material.
4. [redacted] also said that [redacted] would give him verbal instructions and would not give him [redacted] the documentation for work he was assigned to perform. [redacted] said he often had to ascertain the problems (not further identified) he was to repair from other workers assigned to the area. [redacted] said that [redacted] would not assist him (provide him with supervision), and regularly accused him of "screwing off" (wasting time). [redacted] said he did his work properly.
5. [redacted] said he did have a problem with 60 or 70 cable tray hangers (not further identified) or elevation #12 in the Safeguards Building which were not [redacted] according to the instructions contained in the DCA's (Design Change 444) conditions. [redacted] stated he could not recall the specific instructions that were violated in the DCA's. [redacted] recalled he used blueprint numbers 2901, 902, and 310 [redacted] further identified) to work on the 60 or 70 hangers.


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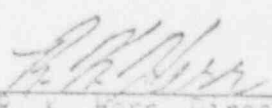
6. This report is provided for your information only. The Office of Investigation Field Office, Region IV, does not plan on conducting any further investigation.

INVESTIGATOR'S NOTE: [REDACTED] was vague regarding specific details relating to his concerns and was unable to provide any further identifying data.



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Billy Ray Jones

My name is Billy Ray Jones, and I have been employed by Brown & Root, the construction contractor at Comanche Peak, for about six and a half years. During 1979 I worked on Robert Messerly's crew installing hangers. I know that prior to that time Messerly had been in charge of the crew that handled Drilleo "rebar eaters". During my employment with Brown & Root I have only had one occasion to use a rebar eater and that was to grind out a Hilti bit that pulled out under torque.

I do not know of any instances where Drilleo rebar eaters were used without proper engine documentation. I do not know of any instances where supervisors have instructed craft personnel to cut through rebar without proper documentation.

I have read the foregoing statement consisting of 1 handwritten/~~typed~~ pages. I have made and initialed any necessary corrections and have signed my name in ink in the margin of each page. I swear that the foregoing statement is true and correct. Signed on 5-2-83 at 4:52.
(date) (time)

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(SIGNATURE: TYPED OR PRINTED)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3rd day of May, 1983,
at Comanche Peak

INVESTIGATOR: [Signature]
(NAME: TYPED OR PRINTED)

WITNESS: [Signature]
(NAME & TITLE: TYPED OR PRINTED)