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INVESTIGATIVE INTERVIEW OF [REDACTED]

PRESENT:

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P R O C E E D I N G S

2:01 p.m.

MR. GRIFFIN: For the record, this is an interview of [REDACTED] who is employed by?

[REDACTED] Brown & Root. Correction. That is [REDACTED]

MR. GRIFFIN: Brown & Root, and the location of this interview is the Comanche Peak Steam Electric Station.

The date is October the [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Present at this interview are [REDACTED] his personal representative [REDACTED] for the NRC, H. Brooks Griffin, Investigator; and the court reporter.

This interview is being transcribed.

[REDACTED] I need you to rise and raise your right hand. I need to swear you to the contents of your testimony.

Whereupon, [REDACTED]

having been duly sworn to testify the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth, was examined and testified on his oath as follows:

MR. GRIFFIN: Before we start talking about

1 what we are here to talk about today, I do need to touch
2 on this. Before we start the interview, I need to explore
3 it with you in more detail, the nature of your relationship
4 with [REDACTED]

5 [REDACTED] and I have interviewed other people
6 and have an understanding, but I still need to have it clear
7 on the record.

8 EXAMINATION

9 BY MR. GRIFFIN:

10 Q Is [REDACTED] your personal representative
11 for purposes of this interview?

12 A Was that a question? Is he?

13 Q Yes.

14 A Yes, he is.

15 Q Are you aware that [REDACTED] also represents
16 [REDACTED]
17 [REDACTED]

18 A [REDACTED] Yes, I do.

19 [REDACTED] I might add for the record,
20 Mr. Griffin, as I have in other interviews, in our interview

21 between [REDACTED] and myself in preparation for your
22 interview, I informed him that both [REDACTED]
23 [REDACTED]

24 I further informed [REDACTED] that I
25 [REDACTED]

1 [REDACTED]
2 [REDACTED] And I informed him [REDACTED]
3 [REDACTED]
4 [REDACTED]
5 [REDACTED]

6 I told him that it is conceivable that the
7 nature of my representation of these other individuals and
8 firms could cause a potential conflict of interest; that
9 based on my interview with him, I saw no such potential,
10 but if at any point in my representation of him I form a
11 judgment that it is conceivable that a conflict could be
12 developing, I would immediately stop the interview, advise
13 him of that fact and wait further instructions from

14 [REDACTED]

15 BY MR. GRIFFIN:

16 Q Can I call you [REDACTED]

17 A Yes, please.

18 Q [REDACTED] did you have a choice as to whether you
19 had a representative or not? Did you have any choice in
20 the matter?

21 A Yes, I did.

22 Q And you chose to have [REDACTED] represent you?

23 A Yes, I did.

24 Q All right. If we could proceed, as discussed
25 prior to going on the record, in that [REDACTED] and

1 [REDACTED] already had an opportunity to discuss [REDACTED]
2 particular or prospective testimony for the purposes of this
3 interview, they have generously offered to provide a narrative
4 of the events surrounding [REDACTED]

5 [REDACTED] your knowledge of it.

6 I would greatly appreciate it if you could
7 put it in that form, because it would make it much more clear,
8 rather than just question and answer, question and answer.

9 Could you tell me what you know?

10 A I will try to indicate where I am not sure
11 of a certain thing.

12 [REDACTED]
13 [REDACTED] came to me with an assignment.
14 He said that the ASME side were to transfer the travelers
15 to our -- not care, but responsibility.

16 We had certain documentation that we had to
17 insert into the traveler to make it work for the non-ASME
18 side of quality assurance.

19 It was my responsibility [REDACTED]
20 [REDACTED]
21 [REDACTED]

22 That operation involves a review of sorts.
23 You cannot just stick the traveler in there, obviously. You
24 had to maintain a continuity between the documents.

25 Q Let me stop you for one second. To help my

1 understanding of this, maybe it would be better to fill in.

2 What was your job position at that time?

3 A My job?

4 Q Title.

5 A Title?

6 Q Yes.

7 A [REDACTED]

8 Q [REDACTED]

9 A [REDACTED]

10 Q And you worked under [REDACTED]

11 A [REDACTED]

12 Q How long have you worked at Comanche Peak?

13 A How long?

14 Q Yes.

15 A [REDACTED]

16 Q What is your present job title?

17 A [REDACTED]

18 Q Okay, go ahead.

19 A As the [REDACTED]

20 it was my duty [REDACTED]

21 [REDACTED]

22 It was at this time that we noticed the travelers
23 could not be just put in there. The continuity was not there,
24 meaning that the traveler that existed had hold points that
25 were open on them. Those hold points had to be filled or

1 we had a nonconformance.

2 The hold point sequence that is established
3 has to be completed or properly superseded and picked up
4 with. That's what we had was we had several hold points
5 that were not filled in.

6 Q Do you remember how many?

7 A Per traveler?

8 Q No.

9 A How many travelers?

10 Q Do you have a number of --

11 A No.

12 Q -- how many needed cleaning up, so to speak?

13 A No, I really don't know. It would only take
14 two or three to realize the problem was widespread. It wasn't
15 just a unique situation.

16 Q So you and [REDACTED]
17 [REDACTED]

18 A No, [REDACTED]

19 Q Let me ask you one other question before you
20 continue. [REDACTED]
21 [REDACTED]

22 A [REDACTED]

23 Q Than the [REDACTED]

24 A A make-over of the original.

25 Q Okay. Go ahead.

1 A With proper changes made to it.

2 At the time doing this review [REDACTED]

3 [REDACTED] It

4 was then that [REDACTED]

5 [REDACTED]

6 [REDACTED]

7 [REDACTED]

Okay.

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When the problem was spotted, I contacted [REDACTED]

9 [REDACTED]

Ultimately -- and I say

10 "ultimately," because this is where I'm not sure of the

11 sequence of events that happened in the day or two after

12 that. This could have occurred over more than one night.

13 [REDACTED]

14 [REDACTED]

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Q In what form [REDACTED]

16

A Specifically [REDACTED]

17

Q Were they already part of [REDACTED]

18 [REDACTED]

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A Yes, they were.

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Q They were already contained or attached to

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them?

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A They were attached to them. To say part of

23

them, I would have to have a page number telling me that

24

that was part of -- [REDACTED]

25 [REDACTED]

1 Q Stapled to --

2 A [REDACTED] uh-huh.

3 Q Were they [REDACTED]

4 A Generally so.

5 Q Okay. Go ahead.

6 A The objective then was to [REDACTED]

7 [REDACTED]

8 [REDACTED]

9 [REDACTED]

10 Q Did you suggest to [REDACTED]

11 [REDACTED]

12 A I very well could have. I know many acceptable
13 ways of doing it. Yeah, I will say that I did.

14 Q What was your suggestion to [REDACTED]

15 [REDACTED]

16 A [REDACTED]

17 [REDACTED]

18 [REDACTED]

19 [REDACTED]

20 [REDACTED]

21 Q And were you conveying this possibility to

22 [REDACTED] Is that who you were talking to about it?

23 A [REDACTED] was present.

24 Q Who else?

25 A [REDACTED] myself and

1 maybe [REDACTED] I don't know for sure.

2 Q Didn't you all decide that this was the approach
3 you would take [REDACTED]

4 [REDACTED]

5 [REDACTED]

6 A I recall that it all came about in the round-
7 table discussion that [REDACTED]

8 [REDACTED]

9 [REDACTED]

10 I don't even remember any argument about that.
11 That is, it's standard and acceptable to the industry; not
12 your intention, certainly, but acceptable.

13 Several people were in agreement on it. Of
14 course, [REDACTED] and I, [REDACTED]

15 [REDACTED] We were the ones saying, [REDACTED]

16 [REDACTED]

17 So that was entirely acceptable to us to do
18 it in that manner. I saw no problem with it.

19 Q Were you present when the decision was made
20 by whoever [REDACTED]

21 [REDACTED]

22 A Was I present when that decision was made?

23 Q Yes.

24 A By their agreement with us, I would say that
25 I would have had to have been present, because that was the

1 point that they agreed.

2 Q Did [REDACTED] proceed to [REDACTED]

3 [REDACTED]

4 A Uh-huh.

5 Q Were you present when these instructions were
6 given?

7 A I'm sure I was.

8 Q Do you have any recollection as to whether

9 [REDACTED]

10 [REDACTED]

11 A Did they specifically [REDACTED]

12 [REDACTED] to reference or to sign?

13 Q Yes.

14 A I am not sure if [REDACTED] specifically told [REDACTED]

15 [REDACTED] As I said earlier, it was in general
16 agreement. I didn't sense any problem there with doing it
17 that way.

18 Q I don't want to make too big a point out of
19 that, and certainly, if you don't remember, that's all you
20 can say is "I don't remember."

21 But this is one of the areas that there is
22 a question as to who said what. I have been through, and
23 I know [REDACTED] has, too, [REDACTED] testimony, and --

24 [REDACTED] As has [REDACTED] I asked
25 him to read it this morning.

1 BY MR. GRIFFIN:

2 Q For the purposes of this interview, it's my
3 intention to follow the sequence that [REDACTED] recalled, whether
4 accurate or not.

5 In [REDACTED] narrative, during this deposition, [REDACTED]

6 [REDACTED]

7 [REDACTED]

8 [REDACTED]

9 [REDACTED]

10 Do you have any recollection of going with

11 [REDACTED]

12 [REDACTED]

13 A Going to review them?

14 Q Or [REDACTED]

15 A Oh, certainly.

16 Q Okay. You may recall reading [REDACTED] testimony.

17 [REDACTED] said that [REDACTED]

18 [REDACTED]

19 [REDACTED] Do you have any

20 recollection of that?

21 A That the [REDACTED]

22 [REDACTED]

23 Q Yes. The [REDACTED]

24 [REDACTED]

25 [REDACTED] and that when you and [REDACTED]

1 [REDACTED]
2 [REDACTED]
3 [REDACTED]
4 [REDACTED]
5 [REDACTED]
6 [REDACTED]

7 [REDACTED] Could you refer to the particular
8 testimony?

9 BY MR. GRIFFIN:

10 Q Let me read some parts of it to you and maybe
11 it will jog your memory. This is [REDACTED] testimony regarding
12 the sequence of events. This is Page 59,526. I'll just
13 start at the first question on the page. They are asking

14 [REDACTED]
15 "Did they go to anything else, if you recall?

16 "ANSWER: [REDACTED]

17 [REDACTED]

18 "QUESTION: Do you know how many there were?

19 "ANSWER: I'm not sure. I think there were

20 [REDACTED]

21 "QUESTION: What happened next?

22 "Well, [REDACTED] and I..." referring to you. [REDACTED]

23 [REDACTED]
24 [REDACTED]
25 [REDACTED]

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Do you recall [REDACTED]

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I remember [REDACTED]

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Q

Then it goes on here:

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[REDACTED] answer: [REDACTED]

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"QUESTION: When you say [REDACTED] are you

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"Yes.

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"QUESTION: Okay.

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"ANSWER: And we concluded [REDACTED]

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Was that your all's determination?

21

A

Uh-huh.

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Q

The question was asked: [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] answer was: "Yes. We told them about

1 it, and [REDACTED] Also, [REDACTED]
2 [REDACTED] s
3 [REDACTED] So I said, [REDACTED]
4 [REDACTED]

5 Do you have a recollection of that part of
6 the conversation?

7 A Yes, I do.

8 Q Do you know whether anybody consulted
9 [REDACTED] because apparently at least [REDACTED] expressed some
10 doubt as [REDACTED]
11 [REDACTED]

12 A I can tell you I know that we requested that
13 [REDACTED] be present to explain these. We never got
14 an answer to that, though. I did not myself hear of an answer
15 from [REDACTED]

16 Q You didn't talk to [REDACTED]

17 A No, I did not talk to [REDACTED]

18 Q Do you know who did?

19 A We were talking to [REDACTED]

20 [REDACTED]
21 [REDACTED]

22 Can I add this?

23 Q Yes.

24 A That is [REDACTED] testimony and I've got somewhat
25 of a difference there, in that [REDACTED]

1 [REDACTED]
2 [REDACTED] t. They were
3 self-explanatory.

4 Q I have looked at some of [REDACTED]
5 [REDACTED] Apparently, in the process -- I'm
6 telling you this now. Apparently, in the process of the
7 [REDACTED]
8 [REDACTED]
9 [REDACTED]
10 [REDACTED]
11 [REDACTED]
12 [REDACTED]

13 Did [REDACTED] convey this concern to you that [REDACTED]
14 was uncertain, that [REDACTED] was unhappy with the prospects of
15 what [REDACTED] was doing, that [REDACTED] was not sure if it was right?

16 A Not for [REDACTED] If
17 we had some that were not self-evident, then those could
18 not be used. [REDACTED]
19 [REDACTED] --

20 Q Who did [REDACTED]
21 [REDACTED]

22 A I don't know that anybody did. They just were
23 not received. They were set aside as another problem.

24 Q Well, I thought you said [REDACTED]
25 [REDACTED]

1 A Some were.

2 [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

3 THE WITNESS: [REDACTED]

4 yes.

5 [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

6 THE WITNESS: Yes. What I meant was by the
7 statement here, [REDACTED]

8 [REDACTED]

9 [REDACTED] It's right here.

10 THE WITNESS: Okay. [REDACTED]

11 [REDACTED]

12 [REDACTED]

13 BY MR. GRIFFIN:

14 Q When you are saying "removed all doubt," [REDACTED]

15 [REDACTED]

16 [REDACTED]

17 A Uh-huh. [REDACTED]

18 [REDACTED]

19 [REDACTED]

20 Q So you were convinced that [REDACTED]

21 [REDACTED]

22 [REDACTED]

23 A The first fit-up, right, the first step.

24 Q Whether it was plate-to-plate, embed-to-plate

25 or --

1 A There had to be a distinction drawn there,
2 because it was not applicable to every installation. For

3 [REDACTED]
4 [REDACTED]
5 [REDACTED] Just a clarifying point that I
6 think [REDACTED] could make. [REDACTED]
7 [REDACTED]

8 THE WITNESS: Were most?

9 [REDACTED] Yes.

10 THE WITNESS: Most. Yes, certainly, most of
11 them were. For those that were not marked, you would have
12 to closely scrutinize it by other means, [REDACTED]

13 [REDACTED]
14 [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

15 BY MR. GRIFFIN:

16 Q As you know, obviously what [REDACTED] was being
17 asked to do [REDACTED]

18 [REDACTED]
19 [REDACTED]
20 [REDACTED]

21 A I did.

22 Q [REDACTED]
23 [REDACTED] was there not?

24 A Uh-huh.

25 Q [REDACTED]

1 [REDACTED]
2 [REDACTED] That's your understanding
3 [REDACTED]

4 A I might have to be refreshed here. I don't
5 understand what you are saying.

6 Can you tell me whether or not the embed-to-
7 plate has a leak chase channel behind it? Are you aware
8 of the drawing requirements at that point?

9 Q I might be able to figure it out by looking
10 at an embed-to-plate. This is an example. This example
11 is Weld No. 162.

12 A Okay. Fit-up, SAT; VT backing strip, SAT;
13 clearance to channel, NA, that's correct; final VT embed.

14 No channel, right?

15 That's correct, embed, final VT, embed fillet
16 weld. I can't recall.

17 Q [REDACTED]
18 [REDACTED]
19 [REDACTED]
20 [REDACTED]
21 [REDACTED]
22 [REDACTED]
23 [REDACTED]

24 A [REDACTED] That's correct.

25 Q I know in plate-to-plate, I believe, didn't

1 you have to have a key stock for the movement of the plates
2 into the containment?

3 A It was present. I don't think it was required,
4 but it was present. It was a construction aid. It was not
5 specifically a hold point, but it was included in the
6 cleanliness hold point -- excuse me -- the last fit-up hold
7 point.

8 Q Okay. Now, [REDACTED]
9 [REDACTED]
10 [REDACTED]

11 A Uh-huh.

12 Q I may be extending this or overstating this,
13 but my reading from [REDACTED] testimony indicates that [REDACTED]
14 [REDACTED]
15 [REDACTED]
16 [REDACTED]
17 [REDACTED]
18 [REDACTED]

19 [REDACTED] has you down in [REDACTED] testimony here as
20 [REDACTED]
21 [REDACTED]

22 A Uh-huh. [REDACTED] and I were involved in that.

23 [REDACTED] And I believe [REDACTED] testified the
24 [REDACTED]
25

MR. GRIFFIN: And stated that.

1 BY MR. GRIFFIN:

2 Q Did [REDACTED] express to you in any greater detail than
3 contained in [REDACTED] testimony what [REDACTED]

4 [REDACTED]

5 A What her concerns were?

6 Q Yes.

7 A (No response.)

8 [REDACTED] Do you recall the events pretty
9 much as [REDACTED] describes them in [REDACTED] testimony?

10 THE WITNESS: I do, except for the question
11 that he asked about ten minutes ago that we never got back
12 around to.

13 BY MR. GRIFFIN:

14 Q Which one was that?

15 A A directive given to [REDACTED]

16 Q We will get back to that after we get through
17 the testimony on this.

18 A I don't remember [REDACTED] having any concerns
19 about it, no more so than myself. I want to say [REDACTED]

20 [REDACTED]

21 [REDACTED]

22 [REDACTED]

23 [REDACTED]

24 [REDACTED]

25 [REDACTED]

1 [REDACTED] that you clarify so. That's not the word -- well,
2 yeah, [REDACTED]

3 [REDACTED]

4 [REDACTED]

5 You also clarify by [REDACTED]

6 [REDACTED]

7 [REDACTED]

8 Q In going back to that earlier question, were
9 those the instructions [REDACTED] gave to [REDACTED]

10 A Among those, uh-huh.

11 Q [REDACTED]

12 [REDACTED]

13 A [REDACTED]

14 [REDACTED]

15 Q Do you know if [REDACTED] followed this same
16 procedure?

17 A [REDACTED] did? I can't say for sure. I'm quite
18 sure. I don't remember any --

19 Q Was [REDACTED] given the same instructions to

20 [REDACTED]

21 A I don't know. I don't remember much about
22 [Fred] being there. [REDACTED]

23 [REDACTED] and
24 I were.

25 Q Okay. So [REDACTED]

1 [REDACTED]
2 [REDACTED]
3 [REDACTED]
4 [REDACTED]
5 [REDACTED]

6 A Tacking, that's it. That's correct.

7 Q I think you said earlier that there were some

8 [REDACTED]
9 [REDACTED]
10 [REDACTED]

11 A Yes, [REDACTED] did.

12 Q I don't know the answer to this question. Are

13 [REDACTED]
14 [REDACTED]

15 A They would have been among those, yes. They

16 [REDACTED]
17 [REDACTED]

18 That is what I was getting back to about

19 [REDACTED]
20 [REDACTED]
21 [REDACTED]

22 [REDACTED] Brooks, can I ask a clarifying
23 question?

24 MR. GRIFFIN: Sure.

25 [REDACTED] It's something that [REDACTED] told

1 me this morning.

2 Do you remember, [REDACTED] that the discussion

3 [REDACTED]

4 [REDACTED]

5 [REDACTED]

6 [REDACTED]

7 THE WITNESS: Do I recall this being a group
8 discussion?

9 [REDACTED] Yes.

10 THE WITNESS: Yes. Yes, I do. It was a --

11 I say common agreement, [REDACTED]

12 [REDACTED]

13 [REDACTED]

14 [REDACTED]

15 BY MR. GRIFFIN:

16 Q Had you pulled the old procedure on this at
17 the time while you all were --

18 A The old procedure?

19 Q Yes.

20 A I believe [REDACTED] had. I don't remember --
21 specifically pursuing that. It was clear enough to me by
22 face value, [REDACTED] what they meant.

23 The [REDACTED]

24 It was quite obvious what it meant. [REDACTED]

25 [REDACTED]

1 [REDACTED]
2 [REDACTED]
3 I could not even tell you to this date that
4 [REDACTED]
5 [REDACTED]

6 [REDACTED] It might also be useful, [REDACTED]
7 [REDACTED]
8 [REDACTED]

9 THE WITNESS: Prior to this event happening?

10 [REDACTED] Yes.

11 THE WITNESS: No. [REDACTED]
12 [REDACTED]

13 BY MR. GRIFFIN:

14 Q In your conversations with [REDACTED]
15 [REDACTED]
16 [REDACTED] Did you have
17 further contact with [REDACTED] Were there further discussions
18 on the matter?

19 A With regard [REDACTED]

20 Q Yes.

21 A I am sure there was. I can't honestly say
22 I remember [REDACTED] having a problem with it, though.

23 Q Did you have any other contact with [REDACTED]
24 or [REDACTED] during [REDACTED]
25 [REDACTED]

1 A Well, I'm not sure. This is where it got
2 confusing. After the night or two, the sequence of events
3 with [REDACTED]

4 [REDACTED]
5 [REDACTED] as it was.

6 [REDACTED]
7 [REDACTED] So actually, [REDACTED]
8 [REDACTED]
9 [REDACTED]
10 [REDACTED]

11 The next thing [REDACTED]

12 [REDACTED] [REDACTED] said,
13 [REDACTED]
14 [REDACTED]

15 Q You are the one that put [REDACTED]

16 A One of the ones, uh-huh. I believe [REDACTED]
17 [REDACTED]
18 [REDACTED]

19 Q Okay.
20 [REDACTED] And [REDACTED]
21 the --

22 THE WITNESS: [REDACTED]
23 [REDACTED]
24 [REDACTED] I don't even see it on this one.
25 This is confusing because [REDACTED]

1 [REDACTED] So they had both, they had
2 the five and the eight, and I think the eights came along
3 later.

4 BY MR. GRIFFIN:

5 Q So through the course of this whole thing, you
6 don't have any recollection of [REDACTED]
7 [REDACTED]
8 [REDACTED]

9 A What [REDACTED] was doing was wrong? No. For those
10 that [REDACTED] signed, I cannot recall any problem with them. [REDACTED]
11 [REDACTED]

12 Q Did you ever hear anybody say [REDACTED]
13 [REDACTED]
14 [REDACTED]
15 [REDACTED]

16 A Did I hear anybody say?

17 Q Any discussion on that?

18 A No.

19 Q You may recall, if you have read [REDACTED] testimony,
20 that [REDACTED] says [REDACTED]
21 [REDACTED]
22 [REDACTED]

23 Did you hear that rumor or anything about it?

24 A No, I didn't. I was quite surprised [REDACTED]
25 [REDACTED]

1 Q Let me ask you a step beyond the events in-
2 volving [REDACTED]. As I have gone through these documents,
3 I have found numerous incidences where dates in particular
4 were lined through and altered to show a different date.

5 Some of them contain initials, as in the case
6 of this one. You have a [REDACTED]

7 [REDACTED]
8 [REDACTED] So I can take it on faith
9 that [REDACTED] changed that for whatever purpose.

10 We have a number in here, I'm just telling
11 you that, where there is merely a line through with
12 no date, no reference, nothing, just a changing of the dates.
13 Sometimes they are even changed twice with no explanation.

14 Do you have any --

15 A With no initial?

16 Q Right. Do you have any recollection of finding
17 that type of problem or [REDACTED]

18 [REDACTED]

19 [REDACTED]

20 A That's a big question.

21 Q Yes, it is. We are getting to that part in the
22 interview here where I am asking you to kind of reach out
23 and fill me in.

24 [REDACTED] It's what you call a fishing
25 expedition. We are out at sea.

1 MR. GRIFFIN: Yes. I would like for you also
2 to know that the NRC expects the utility to go fishing with
3 it anytime it wants on this type of thing.

4 THE WITNESS: Okay.

5 BY MR. GRIFFIN:

6 Q Were there any other problems related to this,
7 because like I say, I personally have found incomplete or
8 unexplained deletions from these forms, and I can't help
9 but think that [REDACTED] may have also seen
10 them. You may have questioned them. You may have resolved
11 them somehow, and maybe you can resolve them for the NRC
12 now.

13 A Okay. To start off with, [REDACTED]
14 [REDACTED]
15 [REDACTED]
16 [REDACTED]
17 [REDACTED]
18 [REDACTED]
19 [REDACTED]

20 The line-throughs, with the date, from my
21 experience, has been situations where [REDACTED]
22 [REDACTED]
23 [REDACTED]

24 Rather than go through
25 the process of an NCR for what is actually their own mistake,
they would simply remove the date, to come back at a later

1 date when the situation was rectified, and date it then.

2 That is just speculation on the part of the
3 [REDACTED] on the one in front of me. I would have to say in
4 my experience it's typical of the time.

5 Q Rather than just have you take me on faith,
6 maybe it would be more expedient here to give you an example
7 of one. [REDACTED] Down here on Step 7 there is a
8 line through and then a later date is added.

9 There is no explanation and we are left with
10 a form here that is --

11 A Here it is. This and this were plugged in
12 by construction. The date is not [REDACTED]

13 [REDACTED]
14 [REDACTED]

15 [REDACTED] did not make the inspection and/or the
16 inspection was not SAT at this time, at which time [REDACTED] could
17 not sign it. [REDACTED] signed it and corrected the date. It is
18 deficient in the area of [REDACTED] now needs an initial to indicate
19 that [REDACTED] did indeed do that change there.

20 This is my feeling that [REDACTED] did, due to the
21 signatures; that commonly, these were all filled in. †

22 Q Okay. So if [REDACTED] had taken the next step and just
23 put [REDACTED] initials there, it would have been a complete and
24 valid --

25 A That's correct.

1 Q And would have been fully explained, fully
2 documented.

3 I am really stretching it here, but I am going
4 to ask you. Here is a similar one. In [REDACTED] changed
5 the date again. It was [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] changed it to
6 [REDACTED] [REDACTED] did put [REDACTED] initials.

7 When I was looking at this form, I realized
8 also that [REDACTED]
9 [REDACTED]
10 [REDACTED]

11 I am asking you now, and I know that you have
12 no direct connection, other than [REDACTED]
13 [REDACTED]

14 What is your explanation, if you have one,
15 as to why [REDACTED]

16 A For an inspection which he did not perform,
17 I could not venture to guess. It appears incorrect. It
18 would not be acceptable today.

19 Q Okay. Since it did not involve you directly,
20 it would be pointless for me to pull out "all of those that"
21 the NRC has discovered in its review, [REDACTED]
22 [REDACTED]

23 I appreciate you, as [REDACTED] said, fishing there
24 for a minute, because eventually I'm sure we will be seeking
25 answers to these same questions, maybe through other means.

1 Just as a follow-up to the events [REDACTED]

2 [REDACTED] all of [REDACTED]

3 [REDACTED]

4 [REDACTED]

5 [REDACTED]

6 [REDACTED] Is that correct?

7 A Was the question did new construction proceed?

8 Q Yes, [REDACTED]

9 A Not under myself personally. [REDACTED]

10 [REDACTED]

11 [REDACTED]

12 Q So about when did your contact with these
13 documents end?

14 A The dates I'm not sure of. [REDACTED]

15 [REDACTED]

16 [REDACTED]

17 Q What did you specifically do with the ones
18 that [REDACTED] completed after you received them?

19 A After we received them?

20 Q Yes. [REDACTED]

21 A [REDACTED]

22 [REDACTED]

23 [REDACTED]

24 [REDACTED] They were proper.

25 Q Were you involved in [REDACTED]

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A.

[REDACTED], because

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[REDACTED] knew I was involved with the program.

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You were made aware at the time it occurred,

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which I believe was [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] work on --

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[REDACTED] What do you mean by [REDACTED]

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THE WITNESS: [REDACTED], okay. [REDACTED]

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BY MR. GRIFFIN:

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Did you have any connection with the disposition

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of the NCR?

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What I was really fishing for there, and I'm

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telling you this. When [REDACTED]

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Later the [REDACTED]

1 [REDACTED] which in my estimation cut down on the
2 scope or the breadth of the travelers that were nonconforming.

3 Before I let you go, I wanted to make sure
4 that you had no contact with or input [REDACTED]

5 [REDACTED]

6 [REDACTED]

7 A No.

8 Q Okay. Do you have any questions?

9 A (No response.)

10 Q We have been through this, and I think you
11 have gleaned from what I have said, and also maybe from reading
12 [REDACTED] testimony that [REDACTED] thought [REDACTED] was really being
13 put in a bind.

14 Based on your testimony, that was not conveyed
15 to you during -- or you have no recollection of it.

16 A That's the question you didn't finish. I've
17 got to say it now.

18 Q Go ahead.

19 A I don't know what impact it will have. It
20 is somewhat out of the scope. It is my recollection. So
21 that's the best I can do.

22 When the explanation [REDACTED]

23 [REDACTED]

24 [REDACTED]

25 [REDACTED]

1 The problem that I perceived were on those

2 [REDACTED]
3 [REDACTED]
4 [REDACTED] comeback was, [REDACTED]

5 [REDACTED] That was not done.

6 They said, [REDACTED]
7 [REDACTED]

8 I do not know [REDACTED]
9 [REDACTED]
10 [REDACTED]
11 [REDACTED]
12 [REDACTED]

13 Q Are you referring, as [REDACTED] did in [REDACTED] testimony,
14 [REDACTED]

15 A Yes, I am.

16 Q I will tell you this. There are some variations
17 in the recollections of the people I have interviewed regard-
18 ing how those directions came about, what was intended,
19 whether questioning [REDACTED] and
20 all that; and I appreciate your clarifying that particular
21 point for me as to what your [REDACTED]
22 [REDACTED]

23 A Okay.

24 Q Following [REDACTED]
25 orders so to speak, did you ever have any conversations with

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A Conversations after that?

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Q Conversations with [REDACTED]

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A The conversation occurred at that time. The rationale given was that, [REDACTED] There was no follow-up on it after that was given.

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Q For my clarification, [REDACTED]

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A [REDACTED]

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Q Who attached them?

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A [REDACTED]

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Q Where were they?

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A [REDACTED]

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Q Where?

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A Nobody knew.

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Q [REDACTED]

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A It is [REDACTED] to my knowledge [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] I knew the requirements. The requirements were not being met. That was their problem.

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Q What time frame was your understanding that they were provided?

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A I really don't know. I can't honestly say. [REDACTED] so to speak. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

I have only been told that yes, [REDACTED] which is great. That's fine.

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Q Did anybody mention whether [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

A No, I haven't heard anybody say. Either one, I would think, would be acceptable.

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A [REDACTED] do you mean?

Q Yes.

A [REDACTED] would have [REDACTED]

I can only tell you what a [REDACTED] would have

1 been. Obviously, anything less than that would have been
2 deficient and not acceptable.

3 [REDACTED] I believe it was

4 [REDACTED]

5 [REDACTED]

6 The only two items that I know of essentially

7 [REDACTED]

8 [REDACTED] That would have been

9 the acceptable form -- Let me correct that. [REDACTED]

10 [REDACTED]

11 [REDACTED]

12 Anything less than that was not acceptable.

13 Q Were the ones that were not acceptable provided
14 to [REDACTED] as well as those that were, or had you all already
15 separated the two out?

16 A [REDACTED]

17 [REDACTED] -- excuse me. For [REDACTED]

18 [REDACTED]

19 Q What was [REDACTED] asked to do [REDACTED]

20 [REDACTED] What were [REDACTED] instructions?

21 A [REDACTED]

22 Q [REDACTED]

23 A [REDACTED]

24 Q [REDACTED]

25 A [REDACTED]

1 Q Do you know how many of these there were?

2 A I do not.

3 Q Did you disagree with these instructions that
4 [REDACTED] had given?

5 A [REDACTED]

6 Q Did [REDACTED] change his instructions?

7 A No.

8 Q And [REDACTED] signed?

9 A No.

10 Q [REDACTED]

11 A Not to my knowledge.

12 Q Did [REDACTED]

13 A [REDACTED]

14 [REDACTED] irregardless of instructions.

15 Q But that was not [REDACTED] instructions to [REDACTED]
16 is that correct?

17 A [REDACTED]

18 Q Yes.

19 A No.

20 Q Was this issue resolved while you were present,

21 [REDACTED]

22 A It was resolved in that [REDACTED]

23 [REDACTED]

24 [REDACTED] You are given
25 an order that you know is wrong and you blatantly disregard

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4 [REDACTED] had given?

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16 is that correct?

17 A [REDACTED]

18 Q Yes.

19 A No.

20 Q Was this issue resolved while you were present,

21 [REDACTED]

22 A It was resolved in that [REDACTED]

23 [REDACTED]

24 [REDACTED] You are given
25 an order that you know is wrong and you blatantly disregard

1 it.

2 Q I see. And you say this was subsequently or
3 eventually resolved [REDACTED]

4 [REDACTED]

5 [REDACTED]

6 A I can't personally say that. I have been told
7 from several sources.

8 Q That's your understanding?

9 A Right. It's my understanding that they have
10 been resolved.

11 Q All right. This conversation and these orders
12 from [REDACTED] to [REDACTED]

13 [REDACTED]

14 [REDACTED] is that
15 right? Is that the sequence?

16 A Not prior to. I would say in the process of.

17 Q During?

18 A During. [REDACTED]

19 Q They discovered in their review that some of

20 [REDACTED]

21 A That's correct.

22 Q But you have no recollection of a count, or
23 do you even have a guess as to how many didn't have an

24 [REDACTED]

25 A Ten to fifteen percent would be a good guess.

1 [REDACTED]
2 Q [REDACTED]

3 [REDACTED]

4 A [REDACTED]

5 [REDACTED]

6 Q How many did [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] Do you
7 have a recollection of that?

8 A Total, no, I'm afraid I don't. The series
9 of events were getting very heated, very confused. [REDACTED]
10 [REDACTED] We
11 weren't concerned with what was going on. One was enough
12 to stop the whole thing.

13 Q Were there more than a hundred?

14 A More than a hundred?

15 Q Yes. Did they review more than a hundred?

16 I am not saying a hundred [REDACTED] t
17 [REDACTED] but I mean in all?

18 A Yeah, quite possibly more than a hundred.

19 Q I'm asking you now, can you think of any other
20 events related to this incident, that I have not questioned
21 you about? I'm asking you to volunteer now, further volunteer,
22 any pertinent events or statements that [REDACTED]

23 [REDACTED]

24 [REDACTED]

25 A Possibly. I would say that I didn't perceive

1 any problem on [REDACTED]
2 [REDACTED].

3 As I said earlier, I was alarmed to hear the
4 allegation for the first time, because [REDACTED]
5 [REDACTED]
6 [REDACTED]
7 [REDACTED]
8 [REDACTED]
9 [REDACTED].

10 This is what I can remember. If [REDACTED] says [REDACTED]
11 does, why, then, I guess [REDACTED] does. It was not evident to
12 me that [REDACTED] did.

13 Q So you think [REDACTED] problem hinged on the fact,
14 [REDACTED]
15 [REDACTED]

16 A [REDACTED] uh-huh.

17 Q I don't know if you recall it. In [REDACTED]
18 testimony, I think there's a reference in there, [REDACTED]
19 attributes a statement to [REDACTED]
20 [REDACTED] [REDACTED] was content to
21 proceed based on the fact [REDACTED]
22 [REDACTED]

23 Do you know if [REDACTED] also [REDACTED]
24 [REDACTED]
25 [REDACTED]

1 A I don't know one way or the other on that.
2 I cannot recall even anything that [REDACTED]
3 [REDACTED] was there, but [REDACTED]
4 was sitting off to the side, more or less in the back seat.
5 So I can't say that I recall anything that [REDACTED] did.

6 The focal point was [REDACTED]
7 [REDACTED]
8 [REDACTED] Did [REDACTED] even work on them while
9 you were there?

10 THE WITNESS: I want to say [REDACTED] did. [REDACTED] was
11 in there, and I guess I remember seeing some signatures by
12 [REDACTED] some initials and changes, normal to the change of page
13 numbers such as we were doing with this operation.

14 I really don't know about [REDACTED] what [REDACTED] did.

15 MR. GRIFFIN: Anything else, [REDACTED]

16 [REDACTED] No.

17 MR. GRIFFIN: Do you have anything else?

18 THE WITNESS: No.

19 BY MR. GRIFFIN:

20 Q [REDACTED] have I threatened you in any
21 manner or offered you rewards in return for this statement?

22 A No.

23 Q Have you given this statement freely and
24 voluntarily?

25 A Yes.

1 Q Is there anything further you would care to
2 add to the record?

3 A That's like an open ticket.

4 That I don't feel -- Well, yes, there is.
5 I do not feel that our quality objective has been compromised
6 in any manner. I feel that some supervisory mistakes have
7 been made, but the mistakes were not --

8 Q Are you talking specifically about [REDACTED]
9 instructions?

10 A Yes, I am. But that also, as I said earlier,
11 [REDACTED]
12 and that nothing happened here to compromise [REDACTED]
13 [REDACTED]

14 Q As far as you know, then, despite [REDACTED]
15 [REDACTED]
16 [REDACTED]

17 A [REDACTED] only.

18 Q And you are not sure about [REDACTED]

19 A I'm not sure about [REDACTED]

20 Q All right.

21 A And that would be it.

22 MR. GRIFFIN: I appreciate it. We are off
23 the record at two minutes after 3:00.

24 (Whereupon, at 3:02 p.m.,
25 the investigative interview was closed.)

This is to certify that the attached proceedings before the
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were held as herein appears, and that this is the original
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REPORT OF INTERVIEW
WITH

On [REDACTED] at the Comanche Peak Steam Electric Station (CPSES) was interviewed by NRC Investigator H. Brooks GRIFFIN. [REDACTED] said [REDACTED] had been employed by Brown & Root, Inc., (B&R) [REDACTED].

[REDACTED] said that [REDACTED] had asked [REDACTED] to [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] said that [REDACTED] he had no further involvement [REDACTED] said [REDACTED] had no recollection of discussing [REDACTED] and stated at the time, [REDACTED] was unaware [REDACTED] said [REDACTED] recalled that after [REDACTED] completed [REDACTED] they resumed their normal duties. When [REDACTED] was apprised that [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] said [REDACTED] must have had [REDACTED] confused with [REDACTED]