

May 10, 2005

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U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
REGION I
NOTICE OF SIGNIFICANT MEETING

Licensee: PSEG Nuclear LLC

Facility: Salem and Hope Creek Nuclear Generating Stations

Docket Nos: 05000272, 05000311, 05000354

Date/Time: June 8, 2005 at 7:00 p.m.

Location: Bridgeport Holiday Inn
One Pureland Dr.
Interstate 295 at Exit 10
Swedesboro, NJ 08085
856-467-3322

Purpose: This is an NRC-requested management meeting with PSEG, open to public observation, to discuss the NRC's assessment of the safety performance at the Salem and Hope Creek Generating Stations for calendar year 2004 and to review PSEG actions to improve performance in the following areas:

- Safety conscious work environment;
- Problem identification and resolution;
- Procedure adherence and other elements of human performance; and
- Quality of engineering products particularly as they relate to evaluation of degraded equipment and associated operational decision making.

These areas were identified in the NRC's July 30, 2004 letter to PSEG regarding the work environment at the Salem and Hope Creek Generating Stations and in our March 2, 2005 letters that transmitted our annual assessments of the performance at Salem and Hope Creek.

NRC Attendees: S. Collins, Regional Administrator
A. Blough, Director, Division of Reactor Safety
E. Cobey, Chief, Projects Branch 3
D. Orr, Senior Resident Inspector, Salem
M. Gray, Senior Resident Inspector, Hope Creek

PSEG Attendees: W. Levis, President and Chief Nuclear Officer
T. Joyce, Site Vice President, Salem
G. Barnes, Site Vice President, Hope Creek
M. Gallagher, Vice President, Engineering and Technical Support
C. Perino, Director, Licensing and Nuclear Safety

Public Participation: **This is a Category 1 Meeting.** The public is invited to observe this meeting. The NRC will answer questions from the public following the business portion of the meeting.

Background information can be found at the Hope Creek and Salem web-page on the NRC's website at: <http://www.nrc.gov/reactors/plant-specific-items/hope-creek-salem-issues.html>. The NRC's assessment letters for Salem and Hope Creek can be located in ADAMS with accession numbers ML050610352 and ML050610334 respectively. This meeting notice, with the attached meeting agenda, can also be located in ADAMS with accession number ML051290287. ADAMS is accessible at: www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html.

Additional information relative to the NRC's Annual Assessment process and the safety performance of Salem and Hope Creek can be found on the NRC's web site at: <http://www.nrc.gov/NRR/OVERSIGHT/ASSESS/index.html>

Meeting Contact: Eugene W. Cobey, Chief, Projects Branch 3
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- Handicapped persons requiring assistance to attend the meeting shall make their requests known to the NRC meeting contact no later than two business days prior to the meeting. Attendance by other NRC personnel at this meeting should be made known by June 1, 2005, via telephone to the NRC meeting contact.

Approved by: /RA/
Eugene W. Cobey, Chief
Projects Branch 3
Division of Reactor Projects

Distribution:

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Agenda

NRC's Annual Assessment Meeting

Salem and Hope Creek Nuclear Generating Stations
June 8, 2005

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| • | Introductions and Opening Remarks | NRC / PSEG |
| • | Review of Reactor Oversight Process | NRC |
| • | National Summary of Plant Performance | NRC |
| • | Discussion of Salem and Hope Creek Performance | NRC |
| • | PSEG Response | PSEG |
| • | PSEG Presentation on Progress to Improve Performance in the Following Areas: | PSEG |
| | • Work Environment; | |
| | • Problem Identification and Resolution (PI&R); | |
| | • Human Performance; and | |
| | • Quality of Engineering Products. | |
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| • | NRC to address public questions * | NRC / Public |

* **Note:** In the interest of better meeting the information needs of the public, meeting participants are encouraged to contact Eugene Cobey of the NRC prior to the meeting to present topics of interest they want to discuss at this question and answer session.

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