

From: A. Randolph Blough, *RI*
 To: Ernest Wilson
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 Subject: Re: Salem/Hp.Ck. Assist to Staff

we will do what is needed to support. we have lots of options for Artificial island, probably moreso than any site.

If several inspectors are needed at once we would call on the resident inspectors, plus scott. if some of the residents need to be watching the plant, we would likely see if some DRS inspectors with island experience are available, e.g., bower, schoppy, pindale, and lorson. We could also tab other inspectors in DRP, such as passarelli, schroeder, welling, herrera, but they won't have first-hand knowledge of the specific issues.

bottom-line is that we will support; scott and glenn can coordinate and i can free up resources outside their branch.

I want OI to be able to pursue in the manner you see best.

randy

- OI
 >>> Ernest Wilson 10/16/03 12:48PM >>>
 Randy,

I came to see you but you were behind closed doors. Anyway, just a heads up on resources for the subject. I met with Eileen and Jeff this AM on game planning and we came up with the following: In accordance with the ARB of 10/2, OI and the staff have already interviewed 3 of the 4 senior mgt. officials on SCWE and some of the events that were indicative of a poor SCWE (according to the allegor). We haven't interviewed [REDACTED] since we made the investigative determination that it would be more prudent to wait on that interview since he will need to be examined on all of the SCWE issue as well as the 50.7 allegation as the primary target (Hub bought into this).

I've asked Eileen to create a list of names provided by the allegor as persons that confided in her regarding the poor work environment that Eileen deems necessary to interview before we go to the 12 shift managers (6 each), SROs, and [REDACTED]. Once we have the list we will know better the numbers of folks we (the NRC) should interview. After the list is compiled, I would suggest taking a couple of days in the near term and have OI agents teamed up with an inspector and try to knock out as many of the interviews on SCWE as we can (of course the outage might mess things up somewhat as far as scheduling is concerned). If technical issues like "grassing," the NA'd step, etc. come up our tech staff support would be able to review those issues with the witness. I could see making 4 or 5 agents available on short notice for this effort which would mean 4 or 5 inspectors would be needed to team up with us. We would likely tape the interviews for later transcription. This would meet the ARB disposition actions from the SCWE perspective. The pure technical issues provided by the allegor, as I understand it, need to be reviewed by the staff, and then if warranted, brought back to ARB for disposition. Does this sound like its feasible? Any differing views?

Ernie

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