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**From:** Brenner, Eliot  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 11:24 AM  
**To:** Couret, Ivonne; Burnell, Scott; Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Cc:** Harrington, Holly; Hayden, Elizabeth  
**Subject:** new blog  
**Attachments:** image001.gif

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission continues to monitor the unfolding developments in Japan in the aftermath of Friday's earthquake/tsunami and problems at a nuclear power complex. It is a serious and very fluid situation that is being watched by a variety of government agencies who can provide assistance. The NRC is prepared to provide reactor experts should a request be made. In our communications with the Japanese government both the NRC and other elements of the U.S. government have offered our condolences to the Japanese people over the tragedy that has occurred.

The NRC's Rockville, Md., headquarters Operations Center is operating on an around-the-clock basis.

The NRC is not in a position to confirm reports that come from Japan on a minute by minute basis and it would be irresponsible of the agency to speculate on a crisis unfolding half a world away. We will provide information we consider pertinent domestically when necessary.

U.S. nuclear power plants are built to withstand environmental hazards, including earthquakes. Even those plants that are located outside of areas with extensive seismic activity are designed for safety in the event of such a natural disaster.

The NRC requires that safety-significant structures, systems, and components be designed to take into account the most severe natural phenomena historically reported for the site and surrounding area. The NRC then adds a margin for error to account for the historical data's limited accuracy. In other words, U.S. nuclear power plants are designed to be safe based on historical data from the area's maximum credible earthquake.

One of the items we have been asked about is how does a boiling water reactor operate. For background information on generic operations at a [boiling-water reactor](#), including an [animated graphic](#), visit the NRC's website at [www.nrc.gov](http://www.nrc.gov).

Eliot Brenner  
Director of Public Affairs.

**From:** Couret, Ivonne  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 10:52 AM  
**To:** Burnell, Scott; Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Cc:** Brenner, Eliot  
**Subject:** RE: New press release for posting on Web and EOC

Scott are you doing the blog Post, just spoke with Holly and she provided guidance on this. I'm also going to have OIS lift the BWR design on to the Hot Topics section on the Web and include the PDF of designs. We should link these additional designs to press release and new blog post. Thoughts? Ivonne

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**From:** Burnell, Scott  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 10:44 AM  
**To:** Akstulewicz, Brenda; Couret, Ivonne  
**Cc:** Brenner, Eliot  
**Subject:** New press release for posting on Web and EOC

Brenda;

Please set this up for immediate release. Ivonne, once it's final can you post it to WebEOC? Thanks.

Scott

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**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 12:15 PM  
**To:** Brenner, Eliot  
**Subject:** Don't want to overstep my boundries...  
**Attachments:** image001.jpg

... and Ivonne is over there with you, we got a call from:

Daniel Steinberger

ABC News

202-567-8778

Wants to interview someone within the next few hours for ABC World News Tonight

I will gladly call him back and say we don't have anyone available if that makes life easier for you.

B

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**From:** Brandon, Lou  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 3:01 AM  
**To:** Schneider, Stewart  
**Cc:** Barr, Cynthia; OST02 HOC; OST01 HOC  
**Subject:** RE: RAAD positions for the Week of April 10-16

Stewart,

I was sure that you were going to respond to OST email address to have them place you on the roster for these slots, yesterday morning after you called me. The OST evidently did not get the email, nor did I. We still need a RAAD for Wed, 4/6, and I've assigned you to that slot, but Cynthia Barr has subsequently signed up for the RAAD position on Friday.

We still need a RAAD for Saturday, April 9, from 7 AM-3 PM (the last slot for this week). I've tentatively signed you up for this. If this will not work, please respond to the OST email addresses (they work the roster while I sleep).

Thanks.

Lou

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**From:** Schneider, Stewart  
**Sent:** Monday, April 04, 2011 8:14 AM  
**To:** Brandon, Lou  
**Subject:** RE: RAAD positions for the Week of April 10-16

Lou:

I am available for Wednesday and Friday

Thanks.

Stewart

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**From:** Brandon, Lou  
**Sent:** Monday, April 04, 2011 7:28 AM  
**To:** LaVie, Steve; Watson, Bruce; Hart, Michelle; DeCicco, Joseph; Schmidt, Duane; Norris, Michael; Schneider, Stewart; Johnson, Don; Barr, Cynthia  
**Cc:** Hardin, Leroy; OST02 HOC; OST01 HOC  
**Subject:** RAAD positions for the Week of April 10-16

PMT RAADs,

Heads up! Other than Leroy Hardin being scheduled for the Tuesday and Thursday 7am-3pm slots all other RAAD slots are unassigned. Please notify OST of times that you're interested in, or come to the Ops Center and update the working roster so that we can completely assign the week, by midweek of this week.

Thanks for your attention to this roster and everyone's thoroughly admirable support for this effort.

Lou

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**From:** Uselding, Lara  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 13, 2011 8:45 PM  
**To:** Harrington, Holly; Brenner, Eliot; Hayden, Elizabeth; Burnell, Scott; McIntyre, David; Couret, Ivonne; Shannon, Valerie; Janbergs, Holly; Akstulewicz, Brenda; Screnci, Diane; Sheehan, Neil; Chandrathil, Prema; Mitlyng, Viktoria; Hannah, Roger; Ledford, Joey; Dricks, Victor  
**Subject:** Re: upcoming week

Hi- I emailed Elliot and offered my support from RIV. I don't see me on the roster so please feel free to work me into the schedule. I am happy to discuss by phone.

Lara  
Lara Uselding  
NRC Region 4 Public Affairs  
817-917-0321

**From:** Harrington, Holly  
**To:** Brenner, Eliot; Hayden, Elizabeth; Burnell, Scott; McIntyre, David; Couret, Ivonne; Shannon, Valerie; Janbergs, Holly; Akstulewicz, Brenda; Screnci, Diane; Sheehan, Neil; Chandrathil, Prema; Mitlyng, Viktoria; Hannah, Roger; Ledford, Joey; Dricks, Victor; Uselding, Lara  
**Sent:** Sun Mar 13 19:54:02 2011  
**Subject:** RE: upcoming week

This may be a duplicate e-mail, but we're having e-mail issues, so just to be sure I'm resending for Eliot. This schedule assumes we'll be doing late night/over nights through Wednesday.

Monday and Tuesday:

Eliot: 7:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. (Eliot will be out 2:30 to 5:30 on Tuesday)  
Beth: 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. (leaving for Europe)  
Scott: 7:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.  
Brenda: 7:30 – 6 p.m.  
Val: 6:45 – 4:30 p.m. (regular hours)  
Ivonne: 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.  
Bethany: 9:30 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
Rob: 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.  
Dave: noon to 10 p.m.  
Holly: 2 p.m. to midnight (on Tuesday leaving at 10:30 p.m. if workload permits)  
Neil: 10 p.m. to 8 a.m.

Wednesday

Eliot: 2 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. (morning on the Hill)  
Holly: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Scott: 7:30 a.m.- 6:30 p.m.  
Brenda: 7:30 – 6 p.m.  
Val: 6:45 – 4:30 p.m. (regular hours)  
Bethany: 9:30 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
Ivonne: Out on sick leave

Rob: noon to 10 p.m.

Dave: 2 p.m. to midnight (may shift to noon to 10 p.m. if late coverage not needed)

Neil: 10 p.m. to 8 a.m. **If needed only**

**From:** Brenner, Eliot

**Sent:** Sunday, March 13, 2011 7:02 PM

**To:** Hayden, Elizabeth; Burnell, Scott; Harrington, Holly; McIntyre, David; Couret, Ivonne; Shannon, Valerie; Janbergs, Holly; Akstulewicz, Brenda; Screnci, Diane; Sheehan, Neil; Chandrathil, Prema; Mitlyng, Viktoria; Hannah, Roger; Ledford, Joey; Dricks, Victor; Uselding, Lara

**Subject:** upcoming week

OPA Staffers:

It has been a very hectic weekend and a good test of our crisis communication planning. Thank you to the headquarter's folks who sacrificed their weekends (and their sleep) to come in. And thank you to the regional folks who fielded a number of calls about our response and the impact of the Japanese situation on our plants. Some things worked very well – the blog was a great way to get information out besides our standard press releases and NSIR released access to YouTube and Twitter by mid-day Sunday so we could do more monitoring of what information was “in the public domain.”

Please take the time Monday morning to review all the press releases that went out and the blog posts as well. Please use these to guide any media responses you provide. While we know more than what these say, we're sticking to this story for now.

Stay tuned as the week unfolds. We anticipate staffing the Op Center on a 24-hour basis at least through Wednesday. Neil will be helping us out in that regard, and we may need to ask for further regional assistance if we need to continue the full-court-press through next weekend.

The chairman has a hearing on the hill on Wednesday morning, which will occur a lot of my time and may be the place where we really push out our message.

We expect fall-out over this to continue for a time along the lines of:

Can this happen in the U.S. and what is the NRC doing about it? This is a marathon not a 50-yard dash. While I am expecting us to need full staffing for a while and may ask that you put off non-essential time off, we also need to conserve our energy. So be sure to take time when you need it.

Thank you all for your help!

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**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 8:08 AM  
**To:** Burnell, Scott  
**Subject:** RE: Radio Interview Request

Be happy to, Scott. Tell me where I can find the details for the Korean request, please.

Clips are finished printing – walking over now.

b

**From:** Burnell, Scott  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 8:05 AM  
**To:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** RE: Radio Interview Request

If we can get an international line, please let them know we cannot respond to them at this time. Please respond to the South Korean request in the same way. Thanks.

**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 7:57 AM  
**To:** Burnell, Scott  
**Cc:** Brenner, Eliot  
**Subject:** RE: Radio Interview Request

Will check now, and send to you if there is. BTW – I just received the following calls:

Rosemary  
BBC London  
44-208-624-9507  
(This from 8200 mailbox and wants someone very soon.)

Maria Hernandez  
Chanel NTN 24  
57-310-579-9757

B

**From:** Burnell, Scott  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 7:55 AM  
**To:** Akstulewicz, Brenda; Shannon, Valerie  
**Subject:** FW: Radio Interview Request

Is there anything in the OPA inbox from this station?

**From:** Hayden, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 12:26 AM  
**To:** Brenner, Eliot

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**Cc:** Harrington, Holly; Couret, Ivonne; Burnell, Scott; Akstulewicz, Brenda

**Subject:** Radio Interview Request

Chip Franklin, KOGO Radio in the San Onofre area called to ask if someone from NRC would talk on his program (8 am our time) about the safety of the SO plant in view of the Japan event. Are we confident the plant is safe, etc. He said the producer, Don Ayres, would contact us and I told Chip to send an e-mail to [OPAResource@nrc.gov](mailto:OPAResource@nrc.gov) and we would try to get back to him tomorrow. The number there is 858-560-6604.

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**From:** Couret, Ivonne  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 11:09 AM  
**To:** Burnell, Scott; Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** RE: calls  
**Attachments:** image001.gif; image002.jpg

I will move my list to this location. Ivonne

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**From:** Burnell, Scott  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 11:08 AM  
**To:** Couret, Ivonne; Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** RE: calls

There's now a "Japan Quake Tsunami" folder in Crisis Comm, please use that.

**From:** Couret, Ivonne  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 11:07 AM  
**To:** Burnell, Scott; Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** RE: calls

Okay will continue the running list and filter- Have list on Crisis Comm folder as back up data. Ivonne

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**From:** Burnell, Scott  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 11:05 AM  
**To:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Cc:** Couret, Ivonne  
**Subject:** RE: calls  
**Importance:** High

From these calls going forward, please have Ivonne respond with "The NRC is unable to accommodate interview requests at this time; please monitor the NRC home page or sign up for the listserv for any press releases."

Ivonne should keep a running list of requests.

DC-based national media or major papers get a "we'll get back to you soonest" and please let Eliot and I know about them.

**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 10:38 AM  
**To:** Burnell, Scott  
**Subject:** calls

Noel Brown  
Ga. Public Broadcasting  
706-294-0800

Lorie Hannan  
Deutsche Welle Broadcasting  
202-785-5730

Irene Klotz  
Discovery Channel  
321-406-9211  
What happens to sea water after cooling plant

Ione Molinares  
CNN Espanola  
202-302-5648  
Needs someone who can speak Spanish to respond to ??s

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**From:** CSC  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 11:29 AM  
**To:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Cc:** Harrington, Holly; Taylor, Robert; Shannon, Valerie  
**Subject:** RE: Immediate Mapping Need for OPA  
**Attachments:** image001.jpg

The Customer Support Center has received and processed your support request.

A reference number has been assigned to your request. Your reference number is **506003**. Please use this referral number when contacting the Customer Support Center regarding your current support request.

Please feel free to e-mail or call us at 301-415-1234 if you require further assistance.

Thank you for contacting the Customer Support Center.

Andrea Glanville  
NRC Customer Support Center  
Two White Flint, 5th floor C-14  
Hours: 6:00 AM-9:00 PM (M-F)  
Hours: 9:00 AM-9:00 PM (Sat-Sun)  
(301) 415-1234


**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 11:26 AM  
**To:** CSC  
**Cc:** Harrington, Holly; Taylor, Robert; Shannon, Valerie  
**Subject:** Immediate Mapping Need for OPA  
**Importance:** High

Good Morning,

Please map Robert Taylor to the OPA G drive. He is assisting us with the events in Japan. It will be greatly appreciated if you can expedite this request.

Thank you,  
Brenda

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**From:** Taylor, Robert  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 11:22 AM  
**To:** Akstulewicz, Brenda; Shannon, Valerie  
**Cc:** Harrington, Holly  
**Subject:** Mapping to OPA G: Drive

Brenda and Val,

Could one of you please look into getting me mapped to the OPA G: drive? I would facilitate my support to the OPA team much easier.

Not sure if the info below is helpful but I took the mapping directions from Scott's computer over here.

Opa on Nrc.gov\nrc\hq\office\owfn  
\\hqvwcf001\owfn offices

Please let me know if you are successful.

Regards,  
Rob

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**From:** Hayden, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 12:08 PM  
**To:** Akstulewicz, Brenda; Harrington, Holly  
**Cc:** Burnell, Scott; McIntyre, David; Couret, Ivonne  
**Subject:** FW: Call from a Journalist from Chile

Anyone get this call?

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301-415-8202  
[elizabeth.hayden@nrc.gov](mailto:elizabeth.hayden@nrc.gov)

**From:** Bubar, Patrice  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 11:48 AM  
**To:** Brenner, Eliot; Hayden, Elizabeth; Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Cc:** Crawford, Carrie  
**Subject:** FW: Call from a Journalist from Chile

Please note the request we had from a journalist in Chile.

We have not returned the phone call.

Patty Bubar  
Chief of Staff  
Office of Commissioner William D. Magwood  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
301-415-1895

**From:** Crawford, Carrie  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 11:16 AM  
**To:** Lisann, Elizabeth  
**Subject:** Call from a Journalist from Chile

I am passing on this message as a call for former Commissioner Lyons from Jose Duarte, a Chilean journalist, obviously inquiring into the present nuclear consequences as a result of the Japanese quake.

He can be reached at 562-339-1099. If you feel it should be passed on to Public Affairs, the number is 415-8200 for Brenda Akstulewicz, the Administrative Assistant.

Thanks,  
Carrie

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**To:** Bubar, Patrice; Brenner, Eliot; Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Cc:** Crawford, Carrie  
**Subject:** RE: Call from a Journalist from Chile

Thanks, Patti

We will add this name to the list of reporters who have.

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**From:** Burnell, Scott  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 12:17 PM  
**To:** Couret, Ivonne; Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** RE: just checking in  
**Attachments:** image001.gif

Taken care of.

**From:** OPA Resource  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 11:52 AM  
**To:** Burnell, Scott  
**Subject:** FW: just checking in

Do you want to follow up with Reuters? Ivonne

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**From:** scott.disavino@thomsonreuters.com [mailto:scott.disavino@thomsonreuters.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 10:10 AM  
**To:** OPA Resource; Burnell, Scott  
**Subject:** just checking in

Hi Just in to see who is on

Also wondering about how long a reactor can vent hydrogen – the new York times says months – but I thought that meant the fuel had to be exposed for months – which would not happen since it would melt

Scott

**Scott DiSavino**  
Correspondent

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**From:** Landau, Mindy  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 16, 2011 1:13 PM  
**To:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** RE: Interview Request  
**Attachments:** image001.jpg

This email isn't working

**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 16, 2011 1:07 PM  
**To:** Landau, Mindy  
**Subject:** Interview Request

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Wants to talk with an expert on the situation in Japan, did not give a specific area/topic.

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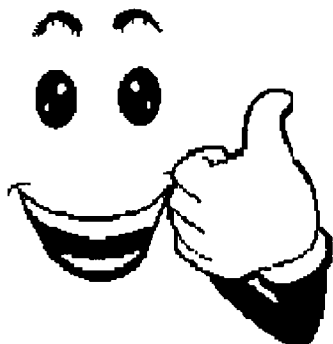
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**Cc:** Shannon, Valerie; Akstulewicz, Brenda; Brenner, Eliot; Hayden, Elizabeth; Janbergs, Holly  
**Subject:** FYI - House Energy and Commerce Committee - LINKs to information

Here is a link to the Committee's hearing notice:

<http://energycommerce.house.gov/hearings/hearingdetail.aspx?NewsID=8329> . The hearing will be before two House Energy and Commerce Committee Subcommittees: Subcommittee on Energy and Power, and Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy. It was originally planned as an FY12 budget hearing with Sec Chu (panel 1) and Chairman Jaczko (panel 2) but given the events in Japan, the focus will be largely Japan. Here is a link to Mr. Upton's (Committee chair's statement) about Japan:  
<http://energycommerce.house.gov/news/PRArticle.aspx?NewsID=8337>

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**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 19, 2011 4:33 PM  
**To:** Couret, Ivonne  
**Subject:** RE: SALLY IS ADDING THE NEW PRESS RELEASE TO THE JAPAN PAGE!  
**Attachments:** image002.png; image003.jpg



**From:** Couret, Ivonne  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 19, 2011 4:28 PM  
**To:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** RE: SALLY IS ADDING THE NEW PRESS RELEASE TO THE JAPAN PAGE!

Great we need to include it on the checklist new press release on Japan on front and in Japan page. Thanks sooo much! Ivonne

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**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 19, 2011 4:27 PM  
**To:** Couret, Ivonne  
**Subject:** SALLY IS ADDING THE NEW PRESS RELEASE TO THE JAPAN PAGE!  
**Importance:** High

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Lynn

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NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL

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March 25, 2011

The Honorable Barack Obama  
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The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave. NW  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I am writing on behalf of the members of the Natural Resources Defense Council to commend you for your response to the tragedy in Japan by providing assistance to the Japanese people and helping to address the ongoing threat at the Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Station. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and the people of Japan. I am also writing because the severe accident at this power plant, involving a simultaneous loss of control over six nuclear units, demonstrates the grave risks posed by nuclear power, and how little we still know about anticipating and mitigating those risks. Therefore, we strongly endorse your call for a comprehensive review of nuclear reactor safety in the United States.

We further call on you to add an independent review of key safety issues, which we believe must then be followed by prompt implementation of necessary corrective actions to reduce the chance of any such nuclear incident occurring in the United States.

Your continued leadership is needed at this critical moment to move the nation to a safer energy future that will phase out reliance on older nuclear technology with known design weaknesses, responsibly manage and dispose of spent nuclear fuel, and reassess emergency preparedness requirements for all operating and planned nuclear power reactors in the United States. It is because of the need for a full vetting of these issues that we urge you to commission an independent inquiry which will help to ensure the adequacy of, and increase public confidence in, the measures to be taken in response to Japan's nuclear crisis and to promptly take corrective actions to further nuclear safety in the U.S.

The top priority for now remains assisting Japan in bringing its reactors under control, and providing resources and humanitarian relief to Japan for the radiological consequences of the accident and its aftermath. Yet we must also learn from this tragedy. Nuclear reactor siting, regulation, and licensing – for both the 104 operating nuclear power plants in the United States and any new plants that may be built – need to be

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thoroughly reviewed and reconsidered in light of the serious events at Fukushima. Of particular and urgent concern are the Boiling Water Reactors in the United States with Mark 1 and 2 containments, which are similar in design to the Fukushima units. Indeed, by building upon the lessons drawn from this national review, the U.S. could lead a renewed effort to work with other countries to integrate these findings into the safety strategies for their existing and future nuclear plants.

With that in mind, we recommend the following steps to address the safety of the nation's nuclear power plants:

1. The administration should appoint a truly independent commission, similar to the Kemeny Commission that investigated the Three Mile Island accident in 1979, that can help to engender public confidence by thoroughly examining nuclear safety issues, including assessing the conclusions and proposed corrective actions arrived at by both the nuclear industry and the NRC in its "90-day safety review".
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the adequacy of what the NRC and the nuclear power industry will recommend as the appropriate responses to the accident.

We believe the best model is the Kemeny Commission, which was appointed by President Carter, chaired by the then President of Dartmouth College, and involved individuals with diverse opinions and backgrounds. Such a commission must be primarily comprised of independent experts and other knowledgeable, fair-minded persons of wide experience and good judgment whose current and future livelihoods do not depend on staying in the good graces of either the nuclear industry or the regulatory agency whose past and prospective courses of conduct will be under review. The commission should also hold public hearings, and hear from a wide range of witnesses and perspectives before reaching its own independent determination of the best path forward to improved nuclear safety.

The investigation should include but not be limited to the following issues:

- The causal factors in Japan's nuclear accident;
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- The management of excess hydrogen produced by a loss of coolant and partial fuel melt in the core;
- The safety design and permissible loading limits of spent fuel storage pools;
- Provisions for supplying emergency backup power for longer periods of time;
- The adequacy of the nation's emergency preparedness for reactor accidents; and
- The implications of these findings for locating nuclear plants near large population centers, along seacoasts, and in areas at risk of being subjected to powerful earthquakes or other natural and man-made events, such as terrorism, tornadoes, and fires potentially capable of triggering a prolonged and potentially disastrous "station blackout" as occurred at the Fukushima Daichi plant.

While the situation at Fukushima remains dire and the full extent of the damage to life and property unknown, it is already clear that clinging to the status quo offers inadequate insurance against the occurrence of such a catastrophic nuclear event in the U.S. By taking these steps, your administration would help ensure that the lessons of this disaster can be used to strengthen the regulation of nuclear power generation in the U.S. and worldwide, and contribute to charting a rigorously careful path for the appropriate deployment of this technology in support of our nation's and the world's energy future.

Sincerely,



Frances Beinecke

President

cc: The Honorable Nancy Sutley, Chair of the White House Council on  
Environmental Quality  
The Honorable John Holdren, Assistant to the President for Science and  
Technology  
The Honorable Heather Zichal, Deputy Assistant to the President for Energy and  
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**Sent:** Wednesday, March 30, 2011 5:20 PM  
**To:** Couret, Ivonne  
**Subject:** Air News Release (HQ): JOINT EPA/FDA STATEMENT: Update on Ongoing Monitoring

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EPA's recommendation to state and local governments is to continue to coordinate closely with EPA, FDA and CDC. EPA will continue to communicate our nationwide sampling results as they come in.

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**Sent:** Tuesday, March 29, 2011 9:29 AM  
**To:** OPA Resource; Herr, Linda; Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Cc:** Nieh, Ho; Bozin, Sunny  
**Subject:** RE: Staff in Japan with Dr. Jaczko

I took care of this.

**From:** Janbergs, Holly **On Behalf Of** OPA Resource  
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Linda  
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**From:** CMROSTENDORFF Resource  
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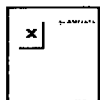
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EPA: <http://www.epa.gov/japan2011>

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**Subject:** NRC to hold open house to discuss Prairie Island performance assessment  
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The attached press release will be issued at 1 PM EDT.

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**Cc:** Hayden, Elizabeth  
**Subject:** RE: Incident Response Backgrounder

Ok. thanks

**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 07, 2011 11:42 AM  
**To:** Harrington, Holly; Janbergs, Holly  
**Cc:** Hayden, Elizabeth  
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**From:** Brenner, Eliot  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 07, 2011 12:47 PM  
**To:** Gavrilovic, Maria  
**Cc:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** RE: 60 Minutes/Meeting?

No need for credentials. I have your names so my assistant can plug into our visitor system so it will speed your entry into the building. Once here, you can go into the meeting room, use the cafeteria or facilities without escort. To get to my office, I'd have to schlep you upstairs.

If you do have a crew, Brenda will need names, etc., so I can get them cleared and warn security about cameras coming in.

For transportation ease, we are on the Red Line of the Metro, literally right on top of the White Flint stop (ok, across the street). To reach the temporary visitors' entrance cross the street, turn left about 100 feet and it is at the back corner of the building.

Eliot

**From:** Gavrilovic, Maria [mailto:GavrilovicM@cbsnews.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 07, 2011 12:43 PM  
**To:** Brenner, Eliot  
**Subject:** RE: 60 Minutes/Meeting?

That's a great idea, Eliot. What do we need to do to credential ourselves for this? I'm not sure if we'll have a crew that day, but Frank and I will attend. And, yes, we should meet afterwards.

Maria

**From:** Brenner, Eliot [mailto:Eliot.Brenner@nrc.gov]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 07, 2011 12:34 PM  
**To:** Gavrilovic, Maria  
**Subject:** RE: 60 Minutes/Meeting?

Afternoon Thursday or anytime Friday. FYI, there is a commission meeting on Thursday of next week to discuss health effect issues surrounding the japan reactor business. Might put that down as a place to get some marginally useful material. Commissioners will not be talking publicly beyond what they say at the meeting. also, we require TV cameras to operate from a fixed position (head on to the commission), and we can run a mult box to that area. We have no parking for trucks here so I would strongly recommend just sending a cameraman to plug in and record the meeting. I think it runs from 9-12.

We could talk after that if it would be more convenient.

Eliot

**From:** Gavrilovic, Maria [mailto:GavrilovicM@cbsnews.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 07, 2011 12:27 PM  
**To:** Brenner, Eliot  
**Subject:** RE: 60 Minutes/Meeting?

Next Thursday or Friday?

**From:** Brenner, Eliot [mailto:Eliot.Brenner@nrc.gov]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 07, 2011 12:27 PM  
**To:** Gavrilovic, Maria  
**Subject:** RE: 60 Minutes/Meeting?

Should be able to talk. Question is when.

**From:** Gavrilovic, Maria [mailto:GavrilovicM@cbsnews.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 07, 2011 12:26 PM  
**To:** Brenner, Eliot  
**Subject:** 60 Minutes/Meeting?

Eliot,

My colleague Frank Devine and I are going to be in Washington late next week. Do you and anyone else on your team have time to meet with us? We're going to be in town meeting with potential interviewees and gathering information for our story.

Thanks  
Maria

60 Minutes  
212 975 5530  
917 658 3247

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**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 07, 2011 2:28 PM  
**To:** WebContractor Resource; WebWork Resource  
**Cc:** Harrington, Holly  
**Subject:** Fact Sheet  
**Attachments:** FS\_IncidentRespons.doc; FS\_IncidentRespons.pdf; image003.jpg

Please post the attached fact sheet to the live web as soon as possible. (ML110940518)

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## Incident Response

### NRC Response to Emergency Events

In the unlikely event of a serious emergency involving an NRC-license facility or material, the agency is prepared to respond immediately. Trained personnel continuously monitor licensee activities and are available to take information about a variety of threats from other federal agencies. In addition, specially trained responders in a variety of disciplines are always on call and able to respond quickly. Equipment, policies, and procedures for these response activities are regularly tested, re-evaluated, and updated so that the agency is ready at all times.

If a significant incident occurs, the NRC activates its Headquarters Operations Center (HOC) and one or more of its four Regional Incident Response Centers (IRCs). Specially trained and qualified personnel work in the HOC at all times. They take emergency information from a licensee and immediately notify key NRC managers and staff. These managers and staff are trained as responders in their areas of expertise and assemble in the HOC and IRC to support NRC response activities. The responders' activities are defined by the agency's incident response program.



### Incident Response Program

The NRC incident response program uses a flexible system to tailor its response to the significance of an event. In the different modes of the system, NRC responders' activities change in order to best support the event. For example, in an event involving an NRC-licensed facility, the agency might decide to move from its "normal" response mode to "monitoring mode". In this level of response, key regional experts staff the appropriate IRC to respond to

the event. If necessary, the NRC could then enter "activation mode". In this mode, the necessary safety, security, and preparedness specialists report to the HOC. The final emergency response mode is called "expanded activation". It is entered when an incident's severity or uncertainty warrants sending a team of NRC experts directly to the site of the event. Once the team arrives at the site and assesses the situation, oversight of the incident may be transferred from Headquarters to the Site Team.

When the NRC incident response program is activated to any mode beyond normal, the agency notifies skilled and trained responders who assemble and begin working directly with various counterparts. In the example of an event involving an NRC-licensed facility, some responders will work directly with the nuclear power plant operators to assess the condition of the plant and local officials.

These protective actions may include sheltering, evacuation, or the use of potassium iodide where appropriate. Other NRC responders will relay information about the incident to the media, states, local governments, tribal entities, other federal agencies, Congress, the White House, and international governments.

Although the licensee has primary responsibility to stabilize their facility or material and return it to a safe condition, the NRC Chairman has the authority to intervene and direct the licensee's on-site response if necessary to protect public health and safety and the environment.

Equipment, policies, and procedures for response activities are regularly tested, reevaluated, and updated so that the agency is ready at all times. The NRC tests itself many times each year with drills and exercises that mimic safety or security incidents and test the response plans of the agency and licensed facilities. In addition to full-scale exercises, the HOC and IRCs are periodically activated throughout the year for small emergencies or potential emergencies.

## **Licensee Response**

NRC regulations require licensees to have plans for responding to incidents, protecting against radiological releases, and reducing the impacts of incidents. The NRC reviews these plans on a regular basis and tests them through exercises.

If a significant incident or emergency occurs, licensees are required to take immediate actions to ensure safety and security. They must also provide timely notifications to the NRC and state and local government authorities, and recommend how to protect the public from potential consequences.

Based on NRC regulations, licensees classify incidents according to the plant conditions and the level of risk to the public. Nuclear power plants, for example, use four emergency classifications:

- **Notification of Unusual Event** - Under this category, events are in process or have occurred that indicate a potential decline in the level of safety of the plant. No release of radioactive material requiring offsite response or monitoring is expected at that time.
- **Alert** - If an alert is declared, events are in process or have occurred that involve an actual or potentially substantial decline in the level of plant safety. However, any release of radioactive material is expected to be only a small fraction of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) protective action guidelines.
- **Site Area Emergency** - A site area emergency involves events in progress or which have occurred that result in an actual or likely a major failure of the plant's ability to protect the public. Any releases of radioactive material are not expected to exceed the EPA guidelines except near the site boundary.
- **General Emergency** - A general emergency involves actual or imminent severe damage or melting of radioactive fuel in the reactor core with the potential for loss of containment integrity. Radioactive releases during a general emergency can be expected to exceed the EPA guidelines beyond the immediate site area.

## State and Local Government Response

State governments, and in some locations, local and/or tribal governments, develop and implement emergency plans for incidents involving an NRC-licensed facility or material. Although the licensee is the primary party responsible for what occurs *onsite*, state and local governments are responsible for protecting life, property, and the environment *offsite*.

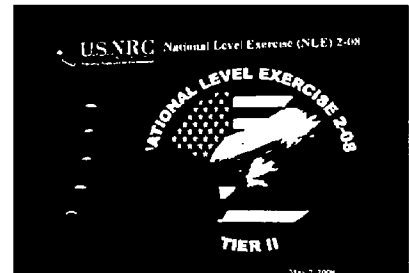
Through drills and exercises, state and local governments work closely with the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and when appropriate, the NRC, to ensure that their plans and procedures will protect their community's health and safety.

During an emergency incident, the NRC communicates directly with state and local governments to share information. The NRC may also offer technical advice and assistance if requested.

## Federal Response

The NRC works within the National Response Framework to respond to events. The framework guides the nation in how to respond to complex events that may involve a variety of agencies and hazards.

Under this framework, the NRC retains its independent authority and ability to respond to emergencies that involve NRC-licensed facilities or materials. The NRC coordinates the federal technical response to an incident that involves one of its licensees.



The NRC may request the support of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) in responding to an emergency at an NRC-licensed facility or involving NRC-licensed materials. DHS may lead and manage the overall federal response to an event, according to Homeland Security Presidential Directive-5. In this case, the NRC would perform an important role in providing technical expertise and helping share information among the various organizations and licensees.

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**From:** Hayden, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2011 4:16 PM  
**To:** Brenner, Eliot; Harrington, Holly  
**Cc:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** FW: Latest  
**Attachments:** Thematic Concerns Repeatedly Expressed after Japanese Nuclear Incident.docx

Eliot, Holly,

As followup to Holly's suggestion to try to get ahead of media re Japan, Elizabeth developed the attached list. These look to be good areas to focus on with regard to getting information out. On Monday, can we meet at 1 pm to go over possible strategies for responding to these concerns to see if we can't shed some light on them, recognizing that for some of the questions we may not have any information yet?

Beth

**From:** Stuckle, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2011 3:56 PM  
**To:** Stuckle, Elizabeth; Brenner, Eliot; Hayden, Elizabeth; Harrington, Holly; McIntyre, David; Burnell, Scott  
**Subject:** RE: Latest

Perhaps an attachment would help

**From:** Stuckle, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Friday, April 08, 2011 3:55 PM  
**To:** Brenner, Eliot; Hayden, Elizabeth; Harrington, Holly; McIntyre, David; Burnell, Scott  
**Subject:** Latest

Attached is the latest version of "Inaccuracies and Concerning Verbiage". It now covers 8 days (March 30 – April 8).

I have reviewed the draft new web site. I think it's good. Cudos to whoever did it. I actually think the Japan info is handled well.

### **Thematic Concerns Repeatedly Expressed after Japanese Nuclear Incident**

1. How can you guarantee that it's not going to happen here?
2. The NRC should do more to protect the public
3. Safety of spent fuel pools versus dry cask storage
4. Re-examination of evacuation zones (EPZs) – are they adequate. Many recommend expanding the EPZs.
5. Re-examination of whether there's sufficient backup power to reactors and to spent fuel pools
6. Fuel pools should be constructed with more safeguards and protection like reactors are.
7. Should there be a moratorium on the construction of new nuclear power plants?
8. Re-examination of what is the safety threshold for radiation amounts. Major fear and misunderstanding of radiation.
9. NRC is in bed with the industry since licensees pay fees to the NRC. They are more concerned about profit than safety.
10. How adequate are the backup plans to keep reactor cooling systems running if power is knocked out? Battery length is way too short, etc.

### **Inaccuracies and/or Concerning Verbiage from 3/30 through 4/8 clips (8 days)**

#### **Potassium Iodide Tablets Distributed In Delaware (Wilmington DE News Journal 4/7)**

*...in a report released Wednesday, the Union of Concerned Scientists cited Nuclear Regulatory Commission documents that they believe show NRC analysts' concern about the reliability of a study of reactor accident consequences. // In that study, some NRC analysts questioned the ability of some American reactors to avert severe damage under scenarios that involve problems seen in Japan.*

#### **Lawmakers Say NRC Study Points To Vulnerabilities At US Plants (AFP 4/8)**

Congresswoman Diana DeGette

*...a study conducted last year by the Nuclear Regulatory Committee (NRC) raised grave questions about US preparedness to address reactor accidents. // DeGette cited an NRC study which examined what would happen at Peach Bottom Station in Pennsylvania, and a number of other plants, in the event that the reactors —lost both [main] power and back-up generators after an extreme event such as a quake, flood or fire. AFP says the Peach Bottom reactor came —perilously close to meltdown in the simulations.*

## **Time's "Swampland" blog (4/8)**

Henry Waxman (D-CA)

*Committee Ranking Member Henry Waxman (D-Calif.) said yesterday. That result raises questions about whether our reactors may be as vulnerable as those in Fukushima,' he said. The Peach Bottom plant came within one hour of core damage in a severe loss-of-power scenario,'*

## **"All things Nuclear" Blog (4/7)**

Ed Lyman, Union of Concerned Scientists

*...contrary to its assertions that —US nuclear plants are better prepared to withstand a catastrophic event like the March 11 earthquake and tsunami than Japanese plants, according to internal NRC documents, —there is no consensus within the NRC that US plants are sufficiently protected. The documents indicate that technical staff members doubt the effectiveness of key safety measures adopted after the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.*

## **Group Wants NRC To Reconsider Approval Of AP1000 Design (WUNC-Radio 4/7)**

John Runkle, AP1000 Oversight Group

*The group argues that the AP-1000 reactor design is flawed and should not be used at Shearon-Harris and other sites. Attorney John Runkle says the group is troubled that the NRC seems poised on approving reactor designs that have not been fully reviewed nor fully resolved.*

## **Op-Ed: Former Senator: Dry Storage Safest Option For Nuclear Waste (Reno News and Review 4/7)**

Former Senator: Dry Storage Safest Option For Nuclear Waste

*"Unlike a repository-at Yucca Mountain or elsewhere-dry storage can be done immediately, as opposed to waiting decades before a disposal or storage location could be ready." Bryan argues that this hasn't already been done.*

## **NRC Focused On VY Safety, Not Shutdown (Bratboro Reformer VT 4/6)**

Robert Bady, Vermont coordinator of the Safe and Green Campaign

*Bady said the problem is financial, however. "The NRC tries to maintain the safety of the nuclear reactor while also maintaining the profitability of the nuclear industry," Bady said. "The profitability shouldn't be the NRC's concern. If the NRC put safety before profit, they wouldn't allow a spent fuel pool to be stored seven feet above ground."*

*He added that through activism, he hopes to effect a change in the NRC that safety be on equal footing of profits. "The NRC is not focusing on the decommissioning of the plant at this time but rather on its continued safe operation," Neil Sheehan, spokesman for NRC said.*

## **NRC: Japanese Crisis Doesn't Support Pulling Oyster Creek's License. (AP 4/6))**

Jeff Tittel, director of the New Jersey Sierra Club

*"The New Jersey Sierra Club says the NRC has not learned anything from the Japanese disaster," and the group's director, Jeff Tittel, called the NRC "a cheerleader for industry" that "looks the other way when it comes to relicensing."*

## **Concerns Expressed Over NRC Allowing Plants To Increase Output. KVNO-FM Omaha 4/4**

*Some groups like the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards have voiced concerns at the ease in which the NRC grants permission to increase power. Questions have also been raised about financial motives possibly outweighing safety factors. But Mitlyng said modifications are put into place at the plants in order to accommodate the power increase in several forms.*

## **Professor Calls For End of Nuclear Power. (The Independent 4/5)**

Chris Williams, professor at Pace University

*...23 of the 104 operational nuclear reactors in the US "are built on the same 1960s design by the same company, General Electric, as the reactors at Fukushima," they "have been recognized to have serious design faults," and "design vulnerabilities...are routinely discovered." Furthermore, many nuclear plants are "on geologically active faults, in coastal locations or close to large sources of fresh water." Finally, Williams argues that nuclear power requires subsidies to be economically practical. Williams argues the reason for nuclear power is to be a justification for researching "the power to destroy life on a planetary scale" and producing plutonium for bombs. He calls for pressuring the government to not new nuclear plants or relicense old ones.*

## **Nuclear Power Said To Not Make Economic Sense (Forbes 4/5)**

Cato Institute senior fellows Jerry Taylor and Peter Van Doren

*...the current "relatively unshaken" political faith in nuclear power is "unfortunate," as "nuclear power makes no sense from an economic perspective." The electricity produces "is not even remotely competitive in power markets with gas-fired or coal-fired electricity now or in the foreseeable future." Furthermore, there is a high risk of cost overruns. The authors argue, "The political campaign to ram these plants down the market's throat threatens catastrophic harm to both taxpayers and ratepayers."*

## **"Common Ground "program (KCRA-TV Sacramento 4/2)**

Rochelle Becker of the Alliance for Nuclear Responsibility

*calls the Japanese disaster "a huge game changer for California's nuclear industry," and the segment adds that "critics of the other nuclear industry say that Diablo Canyon and the state's other twin reactors San Onofre in San Diego County are just as vulnerable to earthquakes and tsunami damage as the plants in Japan."*

## **Some Fear 10-Mile Evacuation Zone Plans Do Not Reflect Real-World Risks (Miami Herald 4/3)**

*Activists and some political leaders say the NRC's evacuation plans "don't reflect real-world risks"*

### **WCBS-TV (New York 4/2)**

Tom Syracuse, noted protester

*"The Indian Point Power Plant is located near the intersection of two earthquake faults. Nuclear energy cannot be safe. Plutonium can contaminate the environment for hundreds of years. Studies show that New York City could not be evacuated in time."*

### **Indian Point Plant Called Too Dangerous To Continue Operating (Westchester NY 4/2)**

Gary Shaw, Indian Point Safe Energy Coalition

*...asserts mistakenly that "Indian Point 3 has just been named by the US Nuclear Regulatory Commission as the nuclear reactor in the US that is most likely to suffer reactor core damage due to an earthquake and the stated odds of that happening in any given year are higher than the odds of winning \$100 in the Powerball lottery." Shaw says he is not saying a "catastrophic event will definitely occur," but that one could happen, and "if the worst case happens, the consequences are simply too awful to imagine."*

### **Pasadena CA Weekly (4/1)**

Grula, PhD, Southern California Federation of Scientists

*"The unfolding nuclear disaster in Japan should put an end, once and for all, to recent calls for a nuclear power 'renaissance' in the US." The crisis instead demonstrates that "nuclear power should be phased out completely." Grula added that it will take "many years" to determine how many deaths and cancers will be caused by radiation releases from the apparent Fukushima plant meltdowns, but the casualties may "eventually exceed those caused by the 1986 nuclear accident at the Chernobyl plant in Ukraine." Grula closes by saying that further development of nuclear power should to be "stopped in its tracks."*

### **The Connecticut Post (4/1)**

*"...should something cause water to drain from a cooling pool, well, one doomsday scenario has a fire at the Millstone Nuclear Power Station in Waterford causing 29,000 square miles of land to become uninhabitable.."*

### **WVUE-TV (New Orleans, 3/31)**

*the NRC "issued a report to Congress today suggesting it has concerns with" the natural disaster preparedness of "only three plants in the US." WVUE-TV adds that, according to the NRC, "those plants are in South Carolina, Kansas and Nebraska. NRC workers say the plants are operating safely but they want to conduct a more intense study of them."*

## **Lawmakers, Medical Groups Support Expanding KI Distribution Radius (AP, 3/31)**

The American Thyroid Association

*...the "American Thyroid Association, whose mission is to promote thyroid health, wants to go further - urging that potassium iodide be made available within 200 miles of a nuclear plant."*

## **Columnist Dismisses Claims That Nuclear Power Is Safer Than Coal (Bluefield WV Daily Telegraph, 3/31)**

Charles Owen, columnist

*"given all of the distressing headlines coming out of Japan over the past two weeks, it seemed a little odd for someone to be saying that nuclear energy was 'safer' than coal - go green movement or not." Mentioning the possible contamination of radiation from one of the plants in Japan, Owens says, "I guess the point I'm trying to make is that coal isn't radioactive. It doesn't have the potential to sicken or kill thousands - if not millions,*

## **KFOX-TV El Paso TX (3/29)**

*"separate report out today by a consumer interest group found several u-s nuclear power plants had close calls similar to the Japanese crisis - in the past 20 years.*

## **NRDC Wants Obama To Order An "Independent" Investigation Of Nuclear Safety (Huffington Post, 3/29)**

Frances Beinecke, Natural Resources Defense Council president

*Beinecke adds that an "autonomous investigation, similar to the Kemeny Commission" should be conducted. Such a review would be "especially challenging for the NRC, which has long been viewed as a weak regulator with insufficient separation from the industry it oversees."*

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**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Monday, April 11, 2011 1:26 PM  
**To:** Akstulewicz, Frank  
**Subject:** Have you...  
**Attachments:** image001.jpg

...heard anything more on Japan?

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**Subject:** Ops Center Support - 0630 to 1900

**Start:** Sat 3/12/2011 12:00 AM

**End:** Sun 3/13/2011 12:00 AM

**Show Time As:** Free

**Recurrence:** (none)

**Organizer:** Bower, Anthony

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**Subject:** 0630 to 1900

**Start:** Sun 3/13/2011 12:00 AM  
**End:** Mon 3/14/2011 12:00 AM  
**Show Time As:** Free

**Recurrence:** (none)

**Organizer:** Bower, Anthony

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**Subject:** 0645 to 2330

**Start:** Tue 3/15/2011 12:00 AM  
**End:** Wed 3/16/2011 12:00 AM  
**Show Time As:** Free

**Recurrence:** (none)

**Organizer:** Bower, Anthony

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**From:** Bowers, Anthony  
**Sent:** Monday, March 28, 2011 8:00 AM  
**To:** Williams, Kevin; Laughlin, Jeff  
**Cc:** Barss, Dan  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting

Kevin,

I had this meeting on my calendar for Thursday. I am scheduled to be in the Ops Center – Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday of this week. I will see if I can find someone else to replace me in the Ops Center on Thursday to attend this meeting.

Please advise if you think I should not try to change my Ops Center support.

Tony

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**From:** Williams, Kevin  
**Sent:** Friday, March 25, 2011 2:21 PM  
**To:** Bowers, Anthony; Laughlin, Jeff  
**Subject:** Meeting

**Do either of you plan on attending this meeting?** Mar 31: The staff will hold a Category 3 meeting to discuss the Construction Inspection Program. TWFN Auditorium. 8:30 a.m. – 3:15 p.m. The staffs of NRR, NSIR, and all four regional offices also will participate. (Calvin Cheung).

Kevin

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**From:** Laughlin, Jeff  
**Sent:** Monday, March 28, 2011 7:23 AM  
**To:** Williams, Kevin; Bowers, Anthony  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting

No, I didn't know anything about it. Do you think we need to attend?

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**From:** Williams, Kevin  
**Sent:** Friday, March 25, 2011 2:21 PM  
**To:** Bowers, Anthony; Laughlin, Jeff  
**Subject:** Meeting

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Kevin

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**From:** Williams, Kevin  
**Sent:** Monday, March 28, 2011 3:34 PM  
**To:** Bowers, Anthony  
**Cc:** Barss, Dan  
**Subject:** RE: Operations Center Support Schedule

I do not have any problems with this proposed work schedule.

Kevin

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**From:** Bowers, Anthony  
**Sent:** Monday, March 28, 2011 10:04 AM  
**To:** Williams, Kevin  
**Cc:** Barss, Dan  
**Subject:** Operations Center Support Schedule

Kevin,

I have scaled back my Ops Center support to three days a week (2 weekdays and 1 weekend day), which will allow me to focus on other work commitments (e.g., Levy and Calvert SERs). I am currently scheduled to support the Ops Center on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday (3/29, 3/31, 4/2 – from 0700 to 1500). The Ops Center requested this morning that I change my support time tomorrow (Tuesday) and work from 1500 to 2300.

Please let me know if you have any concerns with the schedule I am working. I will make the appropriate arrangements to cover any work obligations that arise and keep you informed.

Tony

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**From:** Bowers, Anthony  
**Sent:** Monday, March 28, 2011 8:12 AM  
**To:** Williams, Kevin  
**Subject:** RE: T&L

I didn't have any problems entering night time differential last week that I am aware of.

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**From:** Williams, Kevin  
**Sent:** Friday, March 25, 2011 2:55 PM  
**To:** Wright, Ned; Bowers, Anthony  
**Subject:** T&L

If you guys want to try and enter your Night Time Differential (NDIFF) for this pay period again go ahead and try. It did work for me and Jonathan.

Kevin

Kevin Williams, Chief  
New Reactor Licensing Branch  
Division of Preparedness and Response  
Nuclear Security and Incident Response  
301-415-3264

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**From:** Bazian, Samuel  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 29, 2011 4:20 PM  
**To:** Stapleton, Bernard; Bowers, Anthony; Mangefrida, Michael; Parsons, Darryl; Giles, Vanessa; Rutz, Wayne; Jackson, Willie  
**Subject:** 3/30/11 SVTC @ 8 AM

All,

Tomorrows (3/30/11) 8 AM call will be held in the **TWFN** SCIF. The logistics have already been coordinated with the White House.

Thanks,  
Sam

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**From:** HOO Hoc  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 29, 2011 2:39 PM  
**To:** LIA07 Hoc; OST01 HOC; OST02 HOC; OST03 HOC  
**Subject:** FW: Deputies Committee Meeting, 3/30/11  
**Attachments:** image001.jpg

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**From:** Gibbs, Catina  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 29, 2011 2:16 PM  
**To:** HOO Hoc; Stapleton, Bernard  
**Subject:** Deputies Committee Meeting, 3/30/11

All, the Chairman has advised that he would like the ET Director to participate in the above referenced meeting via SVTC tomorrow at 8:00AM. I am awaiting SVTC instructions from my contact at the White House, Teresa Peterson. What is the name of the ET Director that will participate in this meeting tomorrow?

Thanks,

Catina M. Gibbs  
Admin. Assistant to  
Chairman Gregory B. Jaczko  
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
301-415-1750 (office)  
301-415-3504 (fax)

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**From:** Bowers, Anthony  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 30, 2011 9:27 AM  
**To:** Isom, James  
**Subject:** RE: any of guys working the day shift at the OPS Center is welcomed to ride the van.... no charge

Thanks Jim.

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**From:** Isom, James  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 30, 2011 6:30 AM  
**To:** Murray, Charles; Bowers, Anthony; Grant, Jeffery  
**Cc:** Sturz, Fritz; Gott, William; Hammelman, James; Minarik, Anthony; Nguyen, John-Chau; Sapountzis, Alexander; Watson, Bruce  
**Subject:** any of guys working the day shift at the OPS Center is welcomed to ride the van.... no charge

Depart Lowe's parking lot at 5:15 am; FairOaks at 5:45 am

Depart NRC in the afternoon at 4:00 pm; Fridays at 3:00 pm

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**From:** Bowers, Anthony  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 30, 2011 1:42 PM  
**To:** OST02 HOC  
**Subject:** RE: EST Coordinator Position - Sunday April 10

No problem. If you need some additional support for the week beginning 4/10, I can work Tuesday and Wednesday 3-11pm. Let me know.

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**From:** OST02 HOC  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 30, 2011 1:32 PM  
**To:** Bowers, Anthony  
**Subject:** RE: EST Coordinator Position - Sunday April 10

Thanks Tony

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**From:** Bowers, Anthony  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 30, 2011 1:12 PM  
**To:** OST01 HOC; OST02 HOC  
**Subject:** EST Coordinator Position - Sunday April 10

To alleviate any further confusion, I intend to work as scheduled on the current watchbill without change unless needed for additional support. Please contact me directly if you have any questions. 301-415-5313

Thank you.

Tony

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**From:** Russell, Tonya  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 30, 2011 2:22 PM  
**To:** Bowers, Anthony; OST02 HOC  
**Cc:** OST01 HOC; Mroz (Sahm), Sara; Crutchley, Mary Glenn  
**Subject:** RE: Switch role/responsibilities for Ops Center SUNDAY 4/10

All –

Cynthia (OST01) assured me that the EST Admin Support people are working on one master schedule.

[I had concerns re: multiple (as opposed to a singular) watchbills/schedules being updated, since Mary Glenn Crutchley made a change in my schedule around 10ish last night, and this change was not reflected in the Master Schedule this morning. For example, per my request, after coordinating with Sarah, Mary Glenn removed me as EBT Admin Assist for TH 3/31 3pm-11pm, and this change was not reflected.

Thanks Cynthia for updating the schedule with my input earlier this afternoon.

**Tony Bowers** - According to today's schedule (as opposed to yesterday's 11:23am schedule), looks like I'm not on for SU 4/10 as EBT Coordinator afterall. So never mind switching.

Thank you team!

Tonya

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**From:** Bowers, Anthony  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 30, 2011 1:04 PM  
**To:** Russell, Tonya; OST02 HOC  
**Cc:** OST01 HOC; Mroz (Sahm), Sara  
**Subject:** RE: Switch role/responsibilities for Ops Center SUNDAY 4/10

Tonya,

If you are not on the schedule for 4/10, I do not agree with the switch.

Tony

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**From:** Russell, Tonya  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 30, 2011 12:59 PM  
**To:** OST02 HOC  
**Cc:** OST01 HOC; Mroz (Sahm), Sara; Bowers, Anthony  
**Subject:** RE: Switch role/responsibilities for Ops Center SUNDAY 4/10

Michelle?

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**EBT Admin. Assistant**  
Wed 30-Mar 3pm-11pm Tonya Russell

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**Sent:** Wednesday, March 30, 2011 10:53 AM  
**To:** Mroz (Sahm), Sara; McMurtray, Anthony  
**Cc:** Bowers, Anthony; OST01 HOC; OST02 HOC  
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Thanks.

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**From:** OST02 HOC  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 30, 2011 1:16 PM  
**To:** Russell, Tonya  
**Cc:** OST01 HOC; Mroz (Sahm), Sara; Bowers, Anthony  
**Subject:** RE: Switch role/responsibilities for Ops Center SUNDAY 4/10

Tonya, see a copy of the schedule below for EST Coordinator and EBT Coordinator for week April 9-15<sup>th</sup>;

EBT Coordinator			
Sat-Sun	4/9-4/10	11pm - 7am	
Sun	10-Apr	7am - 3pm	Sara Mroz
Sun	10-Apr	3pm-11pm	
Sun-Mon	4/10-4/11	11pm - 7am	Jim Anderson
Mon	11-Apr	7am - 3pm	Sara Mroz
Mon	11-Apr	3pm-11pm	
Mon-Tue	4/11-12/5	11pm - 7am	Jim Anderson
Tue	12-Apr	7am - 3pm	Sara Mroz
Tue	12-Apr	3pm-11pm	
Tue-Wed	4/12-13/6	11pm - 7am	Jim Anderson
Wed	13-Apr	7am - 3pm	Sara Mroz
Wed	13-Apr	3pm-11pm	
Wed-Thur	4/13-4/14	11pm - 7am	Jim Anderson
Thur	14-Apr	7am - 3pm	Caroline Nguyen
Thur	14-Apr	3pm-11pm	
Thur-Fri	4/14-4/15	11pm - 7am	Jim Anderson
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Fri-Sat	4/15-4/16	11pm-7am	Jim Anderson

EST Coordinator			
Sat-Sun	4/9-4/10	11pm - 7am	
Sun	10-Apr	7am - 3pm	Anthony Bowers
Sun	10-Apr	3pm-11pm	Tony McMurtray
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Mon	11-Apr	3pm-11pm	
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Tue	12-Apr	7am - 3pm	Tony McMurtray

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Tue-Wed	4/12-4/13	11pm - 7am	Rebecca Stone
Wed	13-Apr	7am - 3pm	Tony McMurtray
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Thur	14-Apr	7am - 3pm	Tony McMurtray
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**From:** Bowers, Anthony  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 30, 2011 11:23 AM  
**To:** McMurtray, Anthony  
**Subject:** FW: Switch role/responsibilities for Ops Center SUNDAY 4/10

Tony,

Give me a call when you get a chance.

Tony

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**From:** Bowers, Anthony  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 30, 2011 10:05 AM  
**To:** Russell, Tonya  
**Subject:** RE: Switch role/responsibilities for Ops Center SUNDAY 4/10

Tonya,

I am unable to work this Sunday in the Ops Center. I have already removed my name from the schedule on Sunday once prior. Otherwise, I would have no problem swapping places with you.

Sorry.

Tony

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**From:** Kahler, Robert  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 26, 2011 9:57 AM  
**To:** Anderson, James; Barss, Dan; Bowers, Anthony; Brockington, Tamyra; Cecere, Bethany; Dudek, Michael; Fiske, Jonathan; Hall, Holly; Johnson, Don; Kahler, Carolyn; Kratchman, Jessica; Lange, Walter; Laughlin, Jeff; LaVie, Steve; Moody, Robert; Mroz (Sahm), Sara; Murray, Charles; Musico, Bruce; Norris, Michael; Robinson, Edward; Schrader, Eric; Stang, Annette; Sullivan, Randy; Tailleart, Don; Tucker, Sharon; Williamson, Linda; Wright, Lisa (Gibney); Wright, Ned  
**Subject:** RE: Time Cards

Everyone,

It is understandable, that in the past several pay periods, everyone has been quite busy for various reasons – the most significant of these, the Japan response. HOWEVER, now is the time to catch up with your administrative responsibilities and make “official” your time cards for archival and auditing purposes. So, go to T3B33 at your earliest convenience (why are you still sitting there?) and please sign your time cards.

Thank you,

Bob

*Robert E. Kahler*

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*"Science is a wonderful thing if one does not have to earn one's living at it."*  
Albert Einstein

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**From:** Tucker, Sharon  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 26, 2011 9:48 AM  
**To:** Anderson, Joseph; Barss, Dan; Berry, Rollie; Bowers, Anthony; Cecere, Bethany; Fiske, Jonathan; Hall, Holly; Laughlin, Jeff; Kratchman, Jessica; Johnson, Don; Kahler, Robert; Lange, Walter; Norris, Michael; Milligan, Patricia; Moody, Robert; Mroz (Sahm), Sara; Murray, Charles; Musico, Bruce; Robinson, Edward; Schrader, Eric; Stang, Annette; LaVie, Steve; Sullivan, Randy; Tailleart, Don; Weiss, Eric; Williams, Kevin; Wright, Lisa (Gibney); Wright, Ned  
**Subject:** Time Cards

The time cards are placed next to Joe Anderson's office. (Room: T3B33)  
There are 3 sets, please take the time to sign them.

Thanks in Advance.

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**Subject:** HOC (615 to 330)

**Start:** Thu 3/31/2011 12:00 AM

**End:** Fri 4/1/2011 12:00 AM

**Show Time As:** Free

**Recurrence:** (none)

**Organizer:** Bowers, Anthony

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**From:** Williams, Kevin  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 31, 2011 9:17 AM  
**To:** Bowers, Anthony; Wright, Ned  
**Subject:** HRMS

I recognize that the cap was not lifted for the OT that people worked, I am working with PMDA to determine what actions will be taken. I know that does not provide you any solace right now but hopefully, we can resolve this issue in a timely manner.

Kevin

Kevin Williams, Chief  
New Reactor Licensing Branch  
Division of Preparedness and Response  
Nuclear Security and Incident Response  
301-415-3264

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**From:** Brandon, Lou  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 06, 2011 7:54 AM  
**To:** Benner, Eric  
**Subject:** RE: RAAD positions for the Week of April 10-16

Looks like beyond Sunday, the 10<sup>th</sup> (below), the only open slot is Friday-Sat 4/15-16 11pm-7am.

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**From:** Benner, Eric  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 06, 2011 7:50 AM  
**To:** Brandon, Lou  
**Subject:** RE: RAAD positions for the Week of April 10-16

OK, I'll check. And what about next week?

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**From:** Brandon, Lou  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 06, 2011 7:41 AM  
**To:** Benner, Eric  
**Subject:** FW: RAAD positions for the Week of April 10-16

Eric, sorry I missed you as a possible RAAD. You popped up at a great time as we are in need.

Thanks for your support.

Lou

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**From:** Brandon, Lou  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 06, 2011 4:59 AM  
**To:** Schmidt, Duane; DeCicco, Joseph; Barr, Cynthia; Purdy, Gary; Watson, Bruce  
**Cc:** OST02 HOC; OST01 HOC; PMT03 Hoc  
**Subject:** FW: RAAD positions for the Week of April 10-16

PMT RAADs,

We have a few RAAD slots left to fill to get us through the weekend:

Fri-Sat 4/8-9 11pm-7am  
Sat 4/9 7am-3pm  
Sun 4/10 3pm-11pm

I'm forwarding this email to only those who may have some possibility of supporting the position. If interested, please respond to the OST email addresses to sign up for any of these slots.

Thanks.

Lou

AY/HJT

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**From:** Brandon, Lou  
**Sent:** Monday, April 04, 2011 8:58 AM  
**To:** PMT03 Hoc  
**Subject:** FW: RAAD positions for the Week of April 10-16

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**From:** Brandon, Lou  
**Sent:** Monday, April 04, 2011 7:28 AM  
**To:** LaVie, Steve; Watson, Bruce; Hart, Michelle; DeCicco, Joseph; Schmidt, Duane; Norris, Michael; Schneider, Stewart; Johnson, Don; Barr, Cynthia  
**Cc:** Hardin, Leroy; OST02 HOC; OST01 HOC  
**Subject:** RAAD positions for the Week of April 10-16

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Lou

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**From:** Musico, Bruce  
**Sent:** Monday, April 04, 2011 10:42 AM  
**To:** Brandon, Lou  
**Subject:** FW: JAPAN & HRMS - RE: T&L

FYI  
Bruce

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**From:** Musico, Bruce  
**Sent:** Monday, April 04, 2011 10:21 AM  
**To:** Williams, Kevin; Moody, Robert; Barss, Dan; Robinson, Edward; Wright, Ned; Bowers, Anthony  
**Cc:** Kahler, Robert; Sullivan, Randy  
**Subject:** JAPAN & HRMS - RE: T&L

Kevin,

Would you please provide clarification as to how we should enter time in HRMS that is associated with the Japan response (i.e., Ops Center staffing). Specifically, I have a mixture of four categories of earned time (i.e., REG, REG/NDIFF, OT/NDIFF, and Sunday Premium) for last week through the weekend. HRMS does not seem to allow all of these designations, as it only allows REG, OT, and NDIFF. Also, when entering time for Japan response under ZG0061, there is no way to identify it as NDIFF. If you first choose NDIFF, there is no way to identify what it is for (i.e., ZG0061). Bob Kahler sent a March 24 email, which stated in part that the HRMS "issue is currently being evaluated for possible solutions for Pay Period 08." My time is currently entered only as REG and OT, without NDIFF or Sunday Premium designations; although Sunday may be clear from the entered date.

Please advise.  
Bruce

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**From:** Williams, Kevin  
**Sent:** Monday, April 04, 2011 9:46 AM  
**To:** Moody, Robert; Musico, Bruce; Barss, Dan; Robinson, Edward; Wright, Ned; Bowers, Anthony  
**Subject:** T&L

Since I will be out of the office April 8-15, please have your time entered by COB Wednesday so I can approve on Thursday.

Thanks,

Kevin

Kevin Williams, Chief  
New Reactor Licensing Branch  
Division of Preparedness and Response  
Nuclear Security and Incident Response  
301-415-3264

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**From:** Williams, Kevin  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 8:50 AM  
**To:** Bowers, Anthony  
**Subject:** RE: HOC Today - 7am to 3pm

Okay, thanks.

Kevin

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**From:** Bowers, Anthony  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 8:19 AM  
**To:** Williams, Kevin  
**Subject:** HOC Today - 7am to 3pm

Kevin,

I'm in the HOC today on dayshift. I am also scheduled for Thursday, Friday, and Sunday, same shift. Let me know if you need anything.

Tony

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**From:** Johnson, Don  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 9:31 AM  
**To:** Bowers, Anthony  
**Subject:** FW: RAAD positions for the Week of April 10-16

Let me know if I am on for Sunday and when.

Thanks.

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**From:** Anderson, Joseph  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 9:29 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Don  
**Cc:** McMurtray, Anthony; Brandon, Lou  
**Subject:** RE: RAAD positions for the Week of April 10-16

Don – I will leave it up to your judgment to commit to work 1 day or night shift (8 hours + turnover per week maximum) for the next few weekends, so long as you believe that it will not interfere with your current work activities and commitments. Please advise me of any OPS Center staffing commitments and ensure that Branch calendar is up-to-date.

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**From:** Johnson, Don  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 6:40 AM  
**To:** Brandon, Lou; McMurtray, Anthony  
**Cc:** Anderson, Joseph; Norris, Michael; Miller, Chris  
**Subject:** RE: RAAD positions for the Week of April 10-16

Good morning, Lou.

I am more than willing to support your efforts in staffing this position, and actually enjoyed it this weekend. However, my Branch Chief (Anderson) is reluctant to let me go to support this effort as our Branch already has a large percentage of the staff working the Ops Center since this started. With that being said though, if you get in a bind over the weekend, please feel free to contact me to ensure availability and then we will go through channels to see if the Branch would support it.

Please do not assume that my silence in responding to the numerous requests for staffing assistance is indicative of my unwillingness to support the Ops Center, I actually asked to support it after I recovered from my knee surgery. However, I have been directed to not volunteer based upon the large percentage of personnel already supporting the Ops Center from my Branch and based upon the constantly high workload we have (which is why I would prefer to assist on the weekends so I can focus on this workload during the week).

Any request for support would need to go through my BC for concurrence, but I did not want anyone to assume my silence to these requests for assistance was in any way indicative of any unwillingness on my part to support the agency in any way I can.

Thank you.

Don A. Johnson  
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**From:** Brandon, Lou  
**Sent:** Monday, April 04, 2011 7:28 AM  
**To:** LaVie, Steve; Watson, Bruce; Hart, Michelle; DeCicco, Joseph; Schmidt, Duane; Norris, Michael; Schneider, Stewart; Johnson, Don; Barr, Cynthia  
**Cc:** Hardin, Leroy; OST02 HOC; OST01 HOC  
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Lou

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**From:** OST02 HOC  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 8:00 AM  
**To:** Schneider, Stewart; Brandon, Lou; Barr, Cynthia; OST01 HOC  
**Subject:** RE: RAAD positions for the Week of April 10-16

Stewart,

We have verified the below additions to the watch bill and removed you from the list for Saturday, 4/9.

EST Admin

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**From:** Schneider, Stewart  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 7:40 AM  
**To:** Brandon, Lou; Barr, Cynthia; OST02 HOC; OST01 HOC  
**Subject:** RE: RAAD positions for the Week of April 10-16

Lou (Barr, Cynthia; OST02 HOC; OST01 HOC)

I did respond to yesterday's email from OST02 HOC confirming that I was available for the following time slots:

Wed., April 6, 7am – 3pm  
Wed., April 13, 7am – 3pm  
Fri., April 15, 7am – 3pm

This email reconfirms my availability and to add me to the roster for the above slots.

(Yesterday, NRR was experiencing computer issues throughout the day which could explain why my reply was not received.)

Regarding this Saturday, I will be out of town and unavailable.

Please email me back to confirm my being added to the roster.

Thank you.

Stewart Schneider

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**From:** Brandon, Lou  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 3:01 AM  
**To:** Schneider, Stewart  
**Cc:** Barr, Cynthia; OST02 HOC; OST01 HOC  
**Subject:** RE: RAAD positions for the Week of April 10-16

Stewart,

I was sure that you were going to respond to OST email address to have them place you on the roster for these slots, yesterday morning after you called me. The OST evidently did not get the email, nor did I. We still need a RAAD for Wed, 4/6, and I've assigned you to that slot, but Cynthia Barr has subsequently signed up for the RAAD position on Friday.

We still need a RAAD for Saturday, April 9, from 7 AM-3 PM (the last slot for this week). I've tentatively signed you up for this. If this will not work, please respond to the OST email addresses (they work the roster while I sleep).

Thanks.

Lou

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**From:** Schneider, Stewart  
**Sent:** Monday, April 04, 2011 8:14 AM  
**To:** Brandon, Lou  
**Subject:** RE: RAAD positions for the Week of April 10-16

Lou:

I am available for Wednesday and Friday

Thanks.

Stewart

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**From:** Brandon, Lou  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 7:19 AM  
**To:** Johnson, Don  
**Subject:** RE: RAAD positions for the Week of April 10-16

Thanks for the clarification Don. We appreciate the support given and will consider you in the future as you have defined.

Lou

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**From:** Johnson, Don  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 6:40 AM  
**To:** Brandon, Lou; McMurtray, Anthony  
**Cc:** Anderson, Joseph; Norris, Michael; Miller, Chris  
**Subject:** RE: RAAD positions for the Week of April 10-16

Good morning, Lou.

I am more than willing to support your efforts in staffing this position, and actually enjoyed it this weekend. However, my Branch Chief (Anderson) is reluctant to let me go to support this effort as our Branch already has a large percentage of the staff working the Ops Center since this started. With that being said though, if you get in a bind over the weekend, please feel free to contact me to ensure availability and then we will go through channels to see if the Branch would support it.

Please do not assume that my silence in responding to the numerous requests for staffing assistance is indicative of my unwillingness to support the Ops Center, I actually asked to support it after I recovered from my knee surgery. However, I have been directed to not volunteer based upon the large percentage of personnel already supporting the Ops Center from my Branch and based upon the constantly high workload we have (which is why I would prefer to assist on the weekends so I can focus on this workload during the week).

Any request for support would need to go through my BC for concurrence, but I did not want anyone to assume my silence to these requests for assistance was in any way indicative of any unwillingness on my part to support the agency in any way I can.

Thank you.

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**From:** Brandon, Lou  
**Sent:** Monday, April 04, 2011 7:28 AM  
**To:** LaVie, Steve; Watson, Bruce; Hart, Michelle; DeCicco, Joseph; Schmidt, Duane; Norris, Michael; Schneider, Stewart; Johnson, Don; Barr, Cynthia

**Cc:** Hardin, Leroy; OST02 HOC; OST01 HOC  
**Subject:** RAAD positions for the Week of April 10-16

PMT RAADs,

Heads up! Other than Leroy Hardin being scheduled for the Tuesday and Thursday 7am-3pm slots all other RAAD slots are unassigned. Please notify OST of times that you're interested in, or come to the Ops Center and update the working roster so that we can completely assign the week, by midweek of this week.

Thanks for your attention to this roster and everyone's thoroughly admirable support for this effort.

Lou

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**From:** Brenner, Eliot  
**Sent:** Friday, March 11, 2011 10:32 AM  
**To:** Uselding, Lara; Burnell, Scott; Harrington, Holly  
**Cc:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** RE: DRAFT PRESS RELEASE FOR REVIEW RIVDC TSUNAMI .docx

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**From:** Uselding, Lara  
**Sent:** Friday, March 11, 2011 10:24 AM  
**To:** Brenner, Eliot; Burnell, Scott; Harrington, Holly  
**Cc:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** DRAFT PRESS RELEASE FOR REVIEW RIVDC TSUNAMI .docx  
**Importance:** High

In the interest of time, I sent with RIV header but change to HQ header and add contacts for folks at Eliot's request.

No. IV-11-007

Contact: Lara Uselding (817) 276-6519

E-Mail: [OPA4.Resource@nrc.gov](mailto:OPA4.Resource@nrc.gov)

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**From:** Brenner, Eliot  
**Sent:** Friday, March 11, 2011 1:55 PM  
**To:** Hayden, Elizabeth; Akstulewicz, Brenda; Chandrathil, Prema; McIntyre, David; Screnci, Diane; Harrington, Holly; Couret, Ivonne; Janbergs, Holly; Ledford, Joey; Sheehan, Neil; Hannah, Roger; Burnell, Scott; Uselding, Lara; Shannon, Valerie; Dricks, Victor; Mitlyng, Viktoria  
**Subject:** update on strategy

1: we will aim for a 3 p.m. press release making the transition from leaving monitoring in R4 to keeping an eye on things from HQ and standing prepared to assist the Japanese if asked. It will include an expression of condolences from the chairman. We will similarly update the blog. Scott is drafting the release.

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Great work so far.

Eliot Brenner

Director, Office of Public Affairs

Nuclear Regulatory Commission

Rockville, Md.

O: 301-415-8200

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**From:** Couret, Ivonne  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 7:47 AM  
**To:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** FW: Web EOC  
**Attachments:** image001.gif

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**From:** Harrington, Holly  
**Sent:** Friday, March 11, 2011 10:42 AM  
**To:** Brenner, Eliot; Burnell, Scott; Couret, Ivonne; Hayden, Elizabeth; McIntyre, David  
**Subject:** Web EOC

Web EOC is up. (b)(5)

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Go here: (b)(5)

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I'll be posting materials for everyone to see in Op Center

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**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 12:10 PM  
**To:** (b)(6)  
**Subject:** RE: (b)(6)

Hi Sandy,

I'm actually at work today due to the fallout from the earthquake/tsunami issues in Japan.

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Brenda

**From:** (b)(6) [mailto:(b)(6)]  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 12:04 PM  
**To:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** (b)(6)

Hi Brenda,

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Sandy

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**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 9:15 AM  
**To:** Brenner, Eliot  
**Subject:** RE: media monitoring

Scott's on his way, after splashing his face with water.

**From:** Brenner, Eliot  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 9:10 AM  
**To:** Couret, Ivonne; Hayden, Elizabeth; Harrington, Holly; Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** media monitoring

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**From:** Harrington, Holly  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 12:48 PM  
**To:** Brenner, Eliot; Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Cc:** Hayden, Elizabeth  
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Will do

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**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 12:45 PM  
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**Cc:** Hayden, Elizabeth  
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**Cc:** Brenner, Eliot; Hayden, Elizabeth  
**Subject:** RE: FYI

This is what I suggest we say to these folks:

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[www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov)  
[www.whitehouse.gov](http://www.whitehouse.gov)  
[www.nei.org](http://www.nei.org)  
<http://www.iaea.org/press/>

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And if they try to offer assistance or idea of how to fix the problem (promise me, they will) This additional statement:

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**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 12:33 PM  
**To:** Brenner, Eliot; Hayden, Elizabeth; Harrington, Holly  
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#### Where to Get Accurate Information on the Japanese Situation

The NRC has reactor experts in Japan or en route as part of a U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) team of federal officials from various areas of expertise. USAID is the federal government agency primarily responsible for providing assistance to countries recovering from disaster administering.

Even with "boots on the ground" in Japan and ongoing consultations between our experts and Japanese nuclear officials, the NRC cannot provide information on the status of that country's nuclear power plants. Check back to this blog or [www.nrc.gov](http://www.nrc.gov) for updates on what actions we're taking. Other good sources of information are:

USAID -- [www.usaid.gov/](http://www.usaid.gov/)  
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FEMA -- [www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov)  
White House -- [www.whitehouse.gov](http://www.whitehouse.gov)  
Nuclear Energy Institute --- [www.nei.org](http://www.nei.org)  
International Atomic Energy Agency -- [www.iaea.org/press/](http://www.iaea.org/press/)

For those calling to offer your advice or guidance on how this situation should be handled, rest assured that some of the most expert people in this field in the world work for the NRC and we are on the job.

Eliot Brenner  
Public Affairs Director

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**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 1:03 PM  
**To:** Akstulewicz, Frank  
**Subject:** RE: how are things there

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**From:** Akstulewicz, Frank  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 12:45 PM  
**To:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** how are things there

Hi bud...

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**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 9:11 AM  
**To:** Akstulewicz, Frank  
**Subject:** FW: Latest Kyodo News Story filed

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## Explosion did not occur at reactor: Japan gov't spokesman

Japanese authorities have confirmed there was an explosion at the Fukushima No. 1 nuclear power plant Saturday afternoon but it did not occur at its troubled No. 1 reactor, top government spokesman Yukio Edano said.

The chief Cabinet secretary also told an urgent press conference that the operator, Tokyo Electric Power Co., has confirmed there is no damage to the steel container housing the reactor.

Edano said the 3:36 p.m. explosion caused the roof and the walls of the building housing the reactor's container to be blown off. He said there has been no serious damage to the steel container of the reactor.

The blast occurred as vapor from the container turned into hydrogen and mixed with outside oxygen, he added.

As a precaution, the authorities expanded from 10 kilometers to 20 km the radius of the area to be evacuated by residents living in the vicinity of the Fukushima No. 1 and No. 2. plants.

The top government spokesman said Tokyo Electric Power has begun operations to fill the reactor with sea water and pour in boric acid to prevent an occurrence of criticality, noting it may take several hours to inject water into the reactor. In addition, it will take about 10 days to fill the container with sea water, he said.

Officials of Japan's nuclear safety agency said there was no sign that radiation levels had jumped after the explosion.

The incident came after the plant lost its cooling functions after it was jolted by a magnitude 8.8 earthquake Friday and radioactive cesium and iodine were detected near the facility Saturday.

The detection of the materials, which are created following atomic fission, led Japan's nuclear safety agency to admit the reactor had partially melted -- the first such case in Japan.

The melting temperature for pellets containing cesium, a nuclear fissile material, is around 2,800 Celsius degrees and its release indicates the reactor has been significantly heated up.

A partial core meltdown also occurred in a major nuclear accident at Three Mile Island in the United States in 1979. About 45 percent of nuclear fuels melted in the incident, leading radioactive materials to be released.

According to the Fukushima prefectural government, the hourly radiation from the Fukushima plant reached 1,015 micro sievert before the explosion, an amount equivalent to that permissible for a person in one year.

Four workers -- two from the company and two others from another firm -- were injured in the explosion, according to Tokyo Electric Power. The four were working to deal with problems caused by a powerful earthquake that hit northeastern Japan on Friday, it said.

The company said the injuries the four have suffered are not life-threatening and that they are conscious.

Before the explosion, the operator of the quake-hit nuclear plants in Fukushima Prefecture, successfully released pressure in the container of the No. 1 reactor to prevent a nuclear meltdown, the Nuclear and Industrial Safety Agency said.

The depressurizing work involved the release of steam that includes radioactive materials. It is aimed at preventing the plants from sustaining damage and losing their critical containment function, and the government has issued an unprecedented order to conduct it at the Fukushima No. 1 and No. 2 plants.

The nuclear safety agency said as a result of reducing the container's pressure at the No. 1 plant, radioactive levels at the plant briefly went up. It denied that the radiation amount will pose an immediate threat to the health of nearby residents, as wind was blowing toward the sea in the Pacific coast town in northeastern Japan.

At the Fukushima plant, the amount of radiation reached around 1,000 times the normal level in the control room of the No. 1 reactor, and 140 times the normal level near the main gate of the plant at one point. It was the first time an external radioactive leak had been confirmed since the disaster.

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**Subject:** FW: JAPANESE NUCLEAR ISSUES -- Looping interagency folks on one chain

Look for corrected email on this seth person...last one in the chain.

**From:** Stevens, Clark [mailto:(b)(6)]  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 1:37 PM  
**To:** Stevens, Clark; Leistikow, Dan; Vietor, Tommy; Smith, Sean; Brenner, Eliot; 'hammerma@state.gov'; Jensen, Robert R.; 'matthew.chandler@dhs.gov'; Shapiro, Nicholas S.; 'Brent.Colburn@dhs.gov'; 'Jeff.Karonis@DHS.GOV'; Harrington, Holly; Rhodes, Benjamin J.; Turner, Shawn; Mueller, Stephanie; LaVera, Damien; Reynolds, Tom; Andy.Adora@epamail.epa.gov; Oster.Seth@epamail.epa.gov  
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Sorry, and Seth's correct email.

**From:** Stevens, Clark  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 1:36 PM  
**To:** 'Leistikow, Dan'; Vietor, Tommy; Smith, Sean; 'eliot.brenner@nrc.gov'; 'hammerma@state.gov'; Jensen, Robert R.; 'matthew.chandler@dhs.gov'; Shapiro, Nicholas S.; 'Brent.Colburn@dhs.gov'; 'Jeff.Karonis@DHS.GOV'; 'Holly.Harrington@nrc.gov'; Rhodes, Benjamin J.; Turner, Shawn; Mueller, Stephanie; LaVera, Damien; Reynolds, Tom; 'seth'; 'Andy.Adora@epamail.epa.gov'  
**Subject:** RE: JAPANESE NUCLEAR ISSUES -- Looping interagency folks on one chain

+ EPA who is also getting calls. DOE will continue to be lead, please continue to refer calls there on all topics related to this issue.

Here is an additional line for DOE use on background. Dan – please make sure appropriate folks there approve before use.

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Perfect - stephanie and damien will get this out to those who've asked

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**Sent:** Sat Mar 12 13:03:28 2011  
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"Senior officials and technical experts from the Department of Energy continue to be in close contact with other agencies as well as with our Japanese counterparts as we work to assess what is a very serious and fluid situation. The United States will continue to work closely with the Japanese government and will provide whatever assistance they request to help them bring the reactors under control."

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Adding DOE press secretary Stephanie Mueller and DOE's NNSA Pub Affairs dir Damien Lavera, who have fielded press calls this am from ABC, CNN, Wapo and NYT. We can sit tight for a couple hours, or offer a short comment like this (just a freshened up version of last night's):

"Senior officials from the Department of Energy have continued to be in close contact with other agencies as well as with our Japanese counterparts overnight as we work to assess what is a very serious and fluid situation. The United States will continue to work closely with Japan and provide whatever assistance is needed to bring the reactors under control and protect the neighboring community."

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**Sent:** Sat Mar 12 08:58:01 2011  
**Subject:** RE: JAPANESE NUCLEAR ISSUES -- Looping interagency folks on one chain

Team,

We feel like we're doing OK on the press front and do not want to do a call at this time. The Japanese have done a good job getting out the facts, and that seems to have tamped down breathless speculation that often comes with this sort of event. Brennan has a SVTC later today and we may reassess at that time. Until then, the guidance is still a very cautious, minimalist press posture.

Thanks for everyone's hard work,

Tommy

**From:** Leistikow, Dan [mailto:Dan.Leistikow@hq.doe.gov]

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**Subject:** Re: JAPANESE NUCLEAR ISSUES -- Looping interagency folks on one chain

I think Poneman could do it this AM. What would we be saying? Lots more questions than answers right now.

**From:** Smith, Sean

**To:** Eliot.Brenner@nrc.gov <Eliot.Brenner@nrc.gov>; (b)(6) <(b)(6)>; hammerma@state.gov <hammerma@state.gov>; (b)(6) <(b)(6)>; Smith, Sean; Chandler, Matthew M <Matthew.Chandler@dhs.gov>; Shapiro, Nicholas S. <(b)(6)>; (b)(6) <(b)(6)>; Colburn, Brent <Brent.Colburn@dhs.gov>; Karonis, Jeff <Jeff.Karonis@DHS.GOV>; Leistikow, Dan; Holly.Harrington@nrc.gov <Holly.Harrington@nrc.gov>; (b)(6) <(b)(6)>

**Sent:** Sat Mar 12 08:26:11 2011

**Subject:** Re: JAPANESE NUCLEAR ISSUES -- Looping interagency folks on one chain

Any movement on background call?

**From:** Brenner, Eliot [mailto:Eliot.Brenner@nrc.gov]

**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 05:23 AM

**To:** (b)(6) <(b)(6)>; 'hammerma@state.gov' <hammerma@state.gov>; (b)(6) <(b)(6)>; 'Sean.Smith@dhs.gov' <Sean.Smith@dhs.gov>; 'Matthew.Chandler@dhs.gov' <Matthew.Chandler@dhs.gov>; Shapiro, Nicholas S.; (b)(6) <(b)(6)>; Colburn, Brent; 'Jeff.Karonis@DHS.GOV' <Jeff.Karonis@DHS.GOV>; 'Dan.Leistikow@hq.doe.gov' <Dan.Leistikow@hq.doe.gov>; Harrington, Holly <Holly.Harrington@nrc.gov>; (b)(6) <(b)(6)>; (b)(6) <(b)(6)>

**Subject:** Re: JAPANESE NUCLEAR ISSUES -- Looping interagency folks on one chain

Encourage you to consider NRC Chasirman Greg Jaczko

Eliot Brenner

Director, Office of Public Affairs

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**From:** Vietor, Tommy <(b)(6)>

**To:** 'hammerma@state.gov' <hammerma@state.gov>; Jensen, Robert R. <(b)(6)>; Smith, Sean <Sean.Smith@dhs.gov>; 'Matthew.Chandler@dhs.gov' <Matthew.Chandler@dhs.gov>; Shapiro, Nicholas S. <(b)(6)>; 'Brent.Colburn@dhs.gov' <Brent.Colburn@dhs.gov>; 'Jeff.Karonis@DHS.GOV' <Jeff.Karonis@DHS.GOV>; 'Dan.Leistikow@hq.doe.gov' <Dan.Leistikow@hq.doe.gov>; Brenner, Eliot; Harrington, Holly; Rhodes, Benjamin J. <(b)(6)>; Turner, Shawn <(b)(6)>

**Sent:** Sat Mar 12 04:00:12 2011

**Subject:** Re: JAPANESE NUCLEAR ISSUES -- Looping interagency folks on one chain

Sounds like there has been meltdown/explosion. We should prepare to possible turn on a background call sometime tomorrow morning. We've identified dep secretary poneman as probably being the right person. More later

(SBU) A blast occurred at the Tokyo Electric Power Company plant, media report. The Nuclear and Industrial Safety Agency (NISA) reported four workers were injured and one of the plant's walls collapsed. Embassy Tokyo notes white smoke was billowing from reactor number one. Post is inquiring about the incident and increased radiation levels at the plant

**From:** Hammer, Michael A <HammerMA@state.gov>

**To:** Vietor, Tommy; Jensen, Robert R.; Smith, Sean; Matthew.Chandler@dhs.gov <Matthew.Chandler@dhs.gov>; Shapiro, Nicholas S.; Stevens, Clark; Brent.Colburn@dhs.gov <Brent.Colburn@dhs.gov>; Jeff.Karonis@DHS.GOV <Jeff.Karonis@DHS.GOV>; Dan.Leistikow@hq.doe.gov <Dan.Leistikow@hq.doe.gov>; Eliot.Brenner@nrc.gov <Eliot.Brenner@nrc.gov>; Holly.Harrington@nrc.gov <Holly.Harrington@nrc.gov>; Rhodes, Benjamin J.; Turner, Shawn

**Sent:** Fri Mar 11 21:04:22 2011

**Subject:** Re: JAPANESE NUCLEAR ISSUES -- Looping interagency folks on one chain

Really helpful. I can reinforce to Embassy Tokyo PAO that as they prepare for their daily briefing or engage press, they should not say anything about nuclear issues unless cleared first by NSC.

**From:** Vietor, Tommy [mailto:(b)(6)]  
**Sent:** Friday, March 11, 2011 08:52 PM  
**To:** Jensen, Robert R. <(b)(6)>; Smith, Sean <Sean.Smith@dhs.gov>; 'Chandler, Matthew' <Matthew.Chandler@dhs.gov>; Shapiro, Nicholas S. <(b)(6)>; Stevens, Clark <(b)(6)>; 'Colburn, Brent' <Brent.Colburn@dhs.gov>; 'Karonis, Jeff' <Jeff.Karonis@DHS.GOV>; 'Leistikow, Dan' <Dan.Leistikow@hq.doe.gov>; Eliot Brenner (Eliot.Brenner@nrc.gov) <Eliot.Brenner@nrc.gov>; Holly.Harrington@nrc.gov <Holly.Harrington@nrc.gov>; Rhodes, Benjamin J. <(b)(6)>; Hammer, Michael A; Turner, Shawn <(b)(6)>  
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Let me know if you have questions,

Tommy

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**From:** Hayden, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 6:31 PM  
**To:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** RE: Are you available to come to Ofc. Sunday?  
**Attachments:** image001.png

Yes, but I was hoping to come in later in the evening rather than noon since it appears we will have quite a few folks here tomorrow and it appears to be quiet (at least right now). I need to pack etc for my trip. I'll talk to Eliot to see how things are going.

**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 6:27 PM  
**To:** Hayden, Elizabeth  
**Subject:** RE: Are you available to come to Ofc. Sunday?



**From:** Hayden, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 6:25 PM  
**To:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** RE: Are you available to come to Ofc. Sunday?

No, but thanks for asking.

**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 6:24 PM  
**To:** Hayden, Elizabeth  
**Subject:** RE: Are you available to come to Ofc. Sunday?

You're more than welcome – I'm leaving in a few minutes – do you need anything before I go?

**From:** Hayden, Elizabeth  
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**To:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** RE: Are you available to come to Ofc. Sunday?

Thanks for all your help!

**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 6:22 PM

**To:** Hayden, Elizabeth  
**Subject:** RE: Are you available to come to Ofc. Sunday?

Sorry, 9am. If anything should change and I'm needed don't hesitate to call me.

**From:** Hayden, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 6:21 PM  
**To:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** RE: Are you available to come to Ofc. Sunday?

OK. Thanks. What time is Val coming in?

**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 6:21 PM  
**To:** Hayden, Elizabeth  
**Subject:** RE: Are you available to come to Ofc. Sunday?

Yes and Eliot has been informed.

**From:** Hayden, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 6:20 PM  
**To:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** RE: Are you available to come to Ofc. Sunday?

Instead of you?

**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 6:20 PM  
**To:** Hayden, Elizabeth  
**Subject:** RE: Are you available to come to Ofc. Sunday?

Beth – FYI, Val will be here tomorrow at 9am.

**From:** Hayden, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 12, 2011 6:17 PM  
**To:** (b)(6)  
**Cc:** Brenner, Eliot; Akstulewicz, Brenda; Harrington, Holly  
**Subject:** Are you available to come to Ofc. Sunday?

Bethany,

We have been staffing the office and Ops Center round the clock since Friday when the Japanese earthquake and tsunami hit. Can you come in tomorrow around 9 am until 6 or 7 pm to help out in the office? Brenda will be in after church.

Beth

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**From:** Burnell, Scott  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 8:08 AM  
**To:** OPA Resource; Couret, Ivonne; Akstulewicz, Brenda; Shannon, Valerie; Janbergs, Holly  
**Cc:** Brenner, Eliot  
**Subject:** RE: Revised -NRC Sees No Radiation at Harmful Levels Reaching U.S. From Damag...

All;

If Witherspoon calls (and I've no doubt he will), the response is "Eliot will be responding to you." No expected time, (b)(6) Thanks.

Scott

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**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 8:00 AM  
**To:** Burnell, Scott  
**Subject:** FW: Revised -NRC Sees No Radiation at Harmful Levels Reaching U.S. From Damag...

**From:** (b)(6) [mailto:(b)(6)]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 12:22 AM  
**To:** OPA Resource; Sheehan, Neil; Brenner, Eliot  
**Subject:** Re: Revised -NRC Sees No Radiation at Harmful Levels Reaching U.S. From Damag...

Good Morning, Folks  
this press release is, to put it mildly, puzzling. for starters:

1. what is it based on?
2. what do you know about releases from the Japanese reactors?
3. what modeling have you done?
4. how can you be certain that, in the event of a complete meltdown and exothermic fire, nothing harmful will arrive here?
5. who at the NRC made the decision that the spreading radiation is and will be harmless?

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**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 9:11 AM  
**To:** Brenner, Eliot  
**Subject:** RE: Tried u this am

No problem!

**From:** Brenner, Eliot  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 9:11 AM  
**To:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** Re: Tried u this am

Tnx.  
Eliot Brenner  
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C: (b)(6)  
Sent from my Blackberry

**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**To:** Brenner, Eliot  
**Sent:** Mon Mar 14 09:08:26 2011  
**Subject:** RE: Tried u this am

Tea is ready, clips are on my desk.

**From:** Brenner, Eliot  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 9:06 AM  
**To:** 'lisa.stark@abc.com'  
**Cc:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** Re: Tried u this am

Yes. I have cd and cassette. Shows ops center Broll. Send courier to the Onew white flint buildingn rockville pike and maranelli. Entrabe is on back corner of maranelli. Go to guard desk, call my main # and someone will bring it down. Red line is probably quickest. White flint stop is at out corner.

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**From:** Stark, Lisa <Lisa.Stark@abc.com>  
**To:** Brenner, Eliot  
**Sent:** Mon Mar 14 08:56:49 2011  
**Subject:** Tried u this am

Is there still video we can pick up? Where and when and what does it show please?

**From:** Brenner, Eliot <Eliot.Brenner@nrc.gov>  
**To:** Stark, Lisa  
**Sent:** Mon Mar 14 06:16:54 2011  
**Subject:** Re: NRC press release

Call main # and they will relaycall to me 301 415 8200

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**From:** Stark, Lisa <Lisa.Stark@abc.com>  
**To:** Brenner, Eliot  
**Sent:** Sun Mar 13 23:26:59 2011  
**Subject:** Re: NRC press release

Drat. I have been out of pocket all day. Where can I call u in AM

**From:** Brenner, Eliot <Eliot.Brenner@nrc.gov>  
**To:** Brenner, Eliot <Eliot.Brenner@nrc.gov>  
**Sent:** Sun Mar 13 15:01:38 2011  
**Subject:** NRC press release

Folks, the attached is going out within minutes, or has just. We are not yet in a position to get on camera (matt .. I am not sure what the NYTimes equivalent of on camera is). I could read it aloud on the phone if anyone feels the need to "make the needle bounce" as I used to say in my radio days. Please give my main office number a call so I can set up a queue to work through. I can read it, but really haven't got time to get into any q-and-a. For my network friends, I am working to pry loose our Broll. I will keep you posted.

Ok, I was overtaken by events:

[www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/news/2011/11-046.pdf](http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/news/2011/11-046.pdf)

Eliot

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**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 10:27 AM  
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**Subject:** RE: TV requests at plants - strategy moving forward

For what it's worth...

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Please take the time Monday morning to review all the press releases that went out and the blog posts as well. Please use these to guide any media responses you provide. While we know more than what these say, we're sticking to this story for now.

Stay tuned as the week unfolds. We anticipate staffing the Op Center on a 24-hour basis at least through Wednesday. Neil will be helping us out in that regard, and we may need to ask for further regional assistance if we need to continue the full-court-press through next weekend.

The chairman has a hearing on the hill on Wednesday morning, which will occur a lot of my time and may be the place where we really push out our message.

We expect fall-out over this to continue for a time along the lines of:

Can this happen in the U.S. and what is the NRC doing about it? This is a marathon not a 50-yard dash. While I am expecting us to need full staffing for a while and may ask that you put off non-essential time off, we also need to conserve our energy. So be sure to take time when you need it.

Thank you all for your help!

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**From:** Couret, Ivonne  
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**To:** Uselding, Lara; Brenner, Eliot; Hayden, Elizabeth; Akstulewicz, Brenda; OPA Distribution  
**Cc:** Harrington, Holly  
**Subject:** RE: FYI on fake graphic circulating  
**Attachments:** image002.gif; image003.jpg

Perhaps this can be a blog post on fake or inaccurate maps..Ivonne

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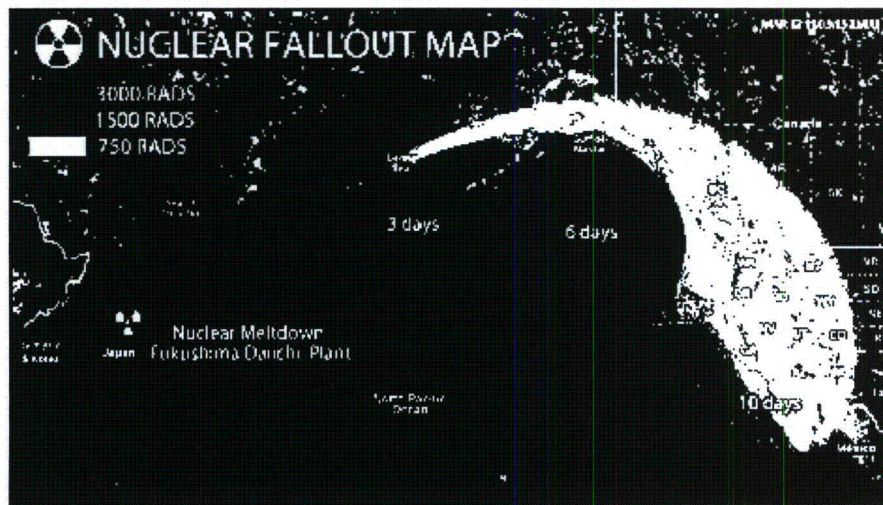
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**Sent:** Mon Mar 14 11:46:16 2011  
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Also a version with NRC logo on it – suggest we might need a blog post or something to counter.

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It was explained in the press release.

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NRC Office of Public Affairs  
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Addressing how we reached the conclusion that US citizens wouldn't be harmed would be useful. We are getting questions about that.

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Also the individual could address plume dispersion and how we can say why no one in the U.S. would be harmed by the radiation from Japan.

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OPA Staffers:

It has been a very hectic weekend and a good test of our crisis communication planning. Thank you to the headquarter's folks who sacrificed their weekends (and their sleep) to come in. And thank you to the regional folks who fielded a number of calls about our response and the impact of the Japanese situation on our plants. Some things worked very well – the blog was a great way to get information out besides our standard press releases and NSIR released access to YouTube and Twitter by mid-day Sunday so we could do more monitoring of what information was “in the public domain.”

Please take the time Monday morning to review all the press releases that went out and the blog posts as well. Please use these to guide any media responses you provide. While we know more than what these say, we're sticking to this story for now.

Stay tuned as the week unfolds. We anticipate staffing the Op Center on a 24-hour basis at least through Wednesday. Neil will be helping us out in that regard, and we may need to ask for further regional assistance if we need to continue the full-court-press through next weekend.

The chairman has a hearing on the hill on Wednesday morning, which will occur a lot of my time and may be the place where we really push out our message.

We expect fall-out over this to continue for a time along the lines of:

Can this happen in the U.S. and what is the NRC doing about it? This is a marathon not a 50-yard dash. While I am expecting us to need full staffing for a while and may ask that you put off non-essential time off, we also need to conserve our energy. So be sure to take time when you need it.

Thank you all for your help!

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**From:** Burnell, Scott  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 3:27 PM  
**To:** Harrington, Holly; Hayden, Elizabeth; Brenner, Eliot  
**Cc:** McIntyre, David; Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** RE: Jeanne Meserve Questions Needing Responses

I'm working it with Eliot, thanks.

**From:** Harrington, Holly  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 3:26 PM  
**To:** Burnell, Scott; Hayden, Elizabeth; Brenner, Eliot  
**Cc:** McIntyre, David; Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** RE: Jeanne Meserve Questions Needing Responses

Eliot – Do you want Dave to respond with this information?

**From:** Burnell, Scott  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 3:19 PM  
**To:** Hayden, Elizabeth; Brenner, Eliot  
**Cc:** Harrington, Holly; McIntyre, David; Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** RE: Jeanne Meserve Questions Needing Responses

Here's a proposed response:

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**From:** Hayden, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 2:20 PM  
**To:** Brenner, Eliot  
**Cc:** Harrington, Holly; Burnell, Scott; McIntyre, David; Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** Jeanne Meserve Questions Needing Responses

Her questions are:

- 1) Can we provide a list of those plants with the highest potential seismic vulnerability? i.e., those that are problematic in the GSI-199 study. I've sent that question to Annie Kemmerer but need someone to followup.
- 2) How did the Japanese ask for our help—oral, letter, other? Who in Japan was the requestor?
- 3) Is MOX fuel in the #3 reactor? If so is there a greater threat to the public from this fuel melting?
- 4) What is the nature of the help Japan asked for? What is the team expertise composition? How many and where will they be in Japan?
- 5) With regard to our Fact Sheet on seismology, what are we doing to follow up:

The GIP confirmed that operating nuclear power plants are safe. The assessment also found that, although still small, some seismic hazard estimates have increased and warrant further attention. In September 2010, NRC issued a Safety/Risk Assessment report (ADAMS Accession No. ML100270582) and an Information Notice (ADAMS Accession No. ML101970221) to inform stakeholders of the Safety/Risk Assessment results. Further action may include obtaining additional, updated information, as well as developing methods to determine if plant improvements to reduce seismic risk are warranted. Information regarding this generic issue and the GIP in general is available at <http://www.nrc.gov/about-nrc/regulatory/gen-issues.html>.

Her deadline is 5 pm and her e-mail address is [Jeanne.Meserve@turner.com](mailto:Jeanne.Meserve@turner.com)

**Beth**

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**From:** Uselding, Lara  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 6:36 PM  
**To:** Brenner, Eliot; Burnell, Scott; Harrington, Holly; McIntyre, David  
**Cc:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** FYI- working with LA AP reporter  
**Attachments:** image001.jpg  
  
**Importance:** High

We just spoke by phone and he is going to email me for starters. He has been tasked with doing a more in-depth story on the California plants and what types of seismic safety issues exist and how we address them. He is going to get more in depth with me tomorrow as it's a longer lead piece

Lara

**From:** Uselding, Lara  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 5:23 PM  
**To:** 'Blood, Michael'  
**Subject:** RE: Questions from AP reporter

Hello Michael: I received your email. So to start, let me know what source documents you are thinking you need. A good resource as I mentioned when we spoke is our Public Document Room and you can request help at [PDR.resource@nrc.gov](mailto:PDR.resource@nrc.gov) or 301-415-4737. Let me know what you are looking for so I can assist if possible.

Let me know what kinds of questions you have now that I can assist in providing answers.

Lara

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**From:** Blood, Michael [mailto:mblood@ap.org]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2011 5:20 PM  
**To:** Uselding, Lara  
**Subject:** Questions from AP reporter

Lara,

Thanks very much for the help with the Diablo Canyon and San Onofre reactors.

As I said, I'm working on a story assessing the safety of the plants in the event a large earthquake takes place in coastal California.

Rgds, and please call with any questions,

Mike



Michael R. Blood  
Los Angeles  
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(213) 379-1278, cell

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**From:** Burnell, Scott  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 15, 2011 9:16 AM  
**To:** Akstulewicz, Brenda; Brenner, Eliot  
**Cc:** Harrington, Holly; Couret, Ivonne  
**Subject:** Revised press release for issuance  
**Attachments:** TeamStaffRev1.docx

Brenda;

Please finalize this as a revision to yesterday's press release.

Separately, are we doing a "normal" internal distribution prior to public release? Regional and OCA folks are asking. Thanks.

Scott

**DRAFT**

**REVISED: NRC SENDS ADDITIONAL EXPERTS TO ASSIST JAPAN**

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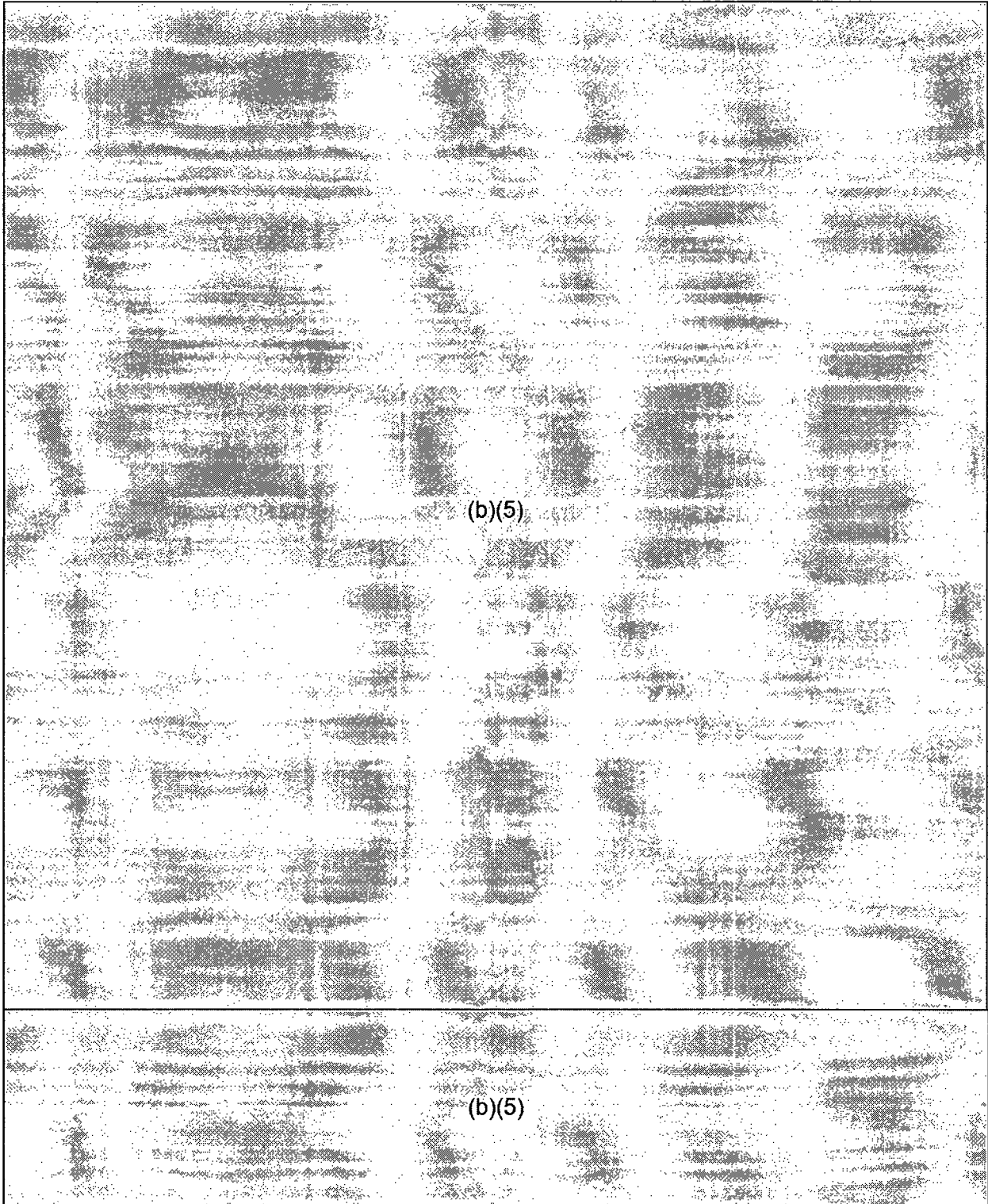
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**From:** Shoop, Undine  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 15, 2011 1:04 PM  
**To:** Couret, Ivonne; Harrington, Holly; Akstulewicz, Brenda; Steger (Tucci), Christine  
**Subject:** drafty draft of Q&A for the public.  
**Attachments:** FAQ for public on the events in Japan.docx  
  
**Importance:** High

Undine Shoop  
Chief, Health Physics and Human Performance Branch  
Division of Inspection and Regional Support  
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation  
301-415-2063

Q&As on Radiation Protection in light of recent events in Japan



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**From:** Ledford, Joey  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 16, 2011 9:07 AM  
**To:** Harrington, Holly; Akstulewicz, Brenda; Brenner, Eliot; Hayden, Elizabeth; OPA Resource; Shannon, Valerie  
**Cc:** OPAII  
**Subject:** RE: Robinson EOC News Release  
**Attachments:** image001.png

I would note this EOC release is likely one of the "templates" that does not require chairman's office approval.

**Joey Ledford**  
**Public Affairs Officer**  
**Region II -- Atlanta, Ga.**

**O: 404.997.4416**

**C:** (b)(6)

[joey.ledford@nrc.gov](mailto:joey.ledford@nrc.gov)



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**Sent:** Wednesday, March 16, 2011 9:00 AM  
**To:** Ledford, Joey; Akstulewicz, Brenda; Brenner, Eliot; Hayden, Elizabeth; OPA Resource; Shannon, Valerie  
**Cc:** OPAII  
**Subject:** RE: Robinson EOC News Release

Val – please do what is necessary for this. Brenda, stay focused on Jpaan events. thanks

**From:** Ledford, Joey  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 16, 2011 8:59 AM  
**To:** Akstulewicz, Brenda; Brenner, Eliot; Harrington, Holly; Hayden, Elizabeth; OPA Resource; Shannon, Valerie  
**Cc:** OPAII  
**Subject:** Robinson EOC News Release

See attached. Hoping for issuance on Thursday.

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**From:** Burnell, Scott  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 16, 2011 9:54 AM  
**To:** Harrington, Holly; Akstulewicz, Brenda; Hayden, Elizabeth  
**Subject:** FW: New Agency Wide TAC Number

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**From:** HRMSBulletin Resource  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 16, 2011 9:52 AM  
**To:** HRMSBulletin Resource  
**Cc:** HRMSBulletin Resource  
**Subject:** New Agency Wide TAC Number

**All Employees,**

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**Thank you for your cooperation.**

**Time, Labor and Payroll Services**

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**From:** Harrington, Holly  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 16, 2011 9:56 AM  
**To:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** FW: New Agency Wide TAC Number

Psl decipher this for us

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**Cc:** McIntyre, David; Burnell, Scott; Harrington, Holly; Couret, Ivonne  
**Subject:** Re: Not to alarm you - John Couwels with CNN Online plans to be at Victoria, TX.

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**From:** Uselding, Lara  
**To:** Brenner, Eliot; Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Cc:** McIntyre, David; Burnell, Scott; Harrington, Holly; Couret, Ivonne  
**Sent:** Wed Mar 16 09:57:01 2011  
**Subject:** Not to alarm you - John Couwels with CNN Online plans to be at Victoria, TX.

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I have asked the Judges to let me know if it becomes a zoo and I can fly down there today.

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**From:** Owen, Lucy  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 16, 2011 8:32 AM  
**To:** Uselding, Lara  
**Subject:** Good Morning dear Lara - Please call John Couwels with CNN regarding the Victoria, TX. meeting 305 794 1496

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**From:** Uselding, Lara  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 16, 2011 10:15 AM  
**To:** Brenner, Eliot; Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Cc:** McIntyre, David; Burnell, Scott; Harrington, Holly; Couret, Ivonne  
**Subject:** RE: Not to alarm you - John Couwels with CNN Online plans to be at Victoria, TX.

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The judges feel they can manage this.

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**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 16, 2011 12:07 PM  
**To:** Deavers, Ron; Bonaccorso, Amy  
**Subject:** Citizen Inquiry  
**Attachments:** image001.jpg

Jerry Marth

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Needs information regarding Japan situation, very concerned.

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**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 16, 2011 12:08 PM  
**To:** Uselding, Lara  
**Subject:** RE: Media seeking Info  
**Attachments:** image001.jpg

I'm sorry, Lara!

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**From:** Uselding, Lara  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 16, 2011 11:56 AM  
**To:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** RE: Media seeking Info

Theres no number?

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**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 16, 2011 8:42 AM  
**To:** Landau, Mindy  
**Subject:** Media seeking Info

Dan Charles  
Nat'l Public Radio  
Have the workers gone back to the plants (in Japan)

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**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 16, 2011 12:24 PM  
**To:** Burnell, Scott  
**Subject:** RE: draft advisory language

Waiting!

**From:** Burnell, Scott  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 16, 2011 12:16 PM  
**To:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** RE: draft advisory language

Revision coming on press release

**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 16, 2011 12:16 PM  
**To:** Burnell, Scott  
**Subject:** RE: draft advisory language

Ok, will do. Media advisory and press release are ready to go when you say the word!

**From:** Burnell, Scott  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 16, 2011 12:15 PM  
**To:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** RE: draft advisory language

Yes. Continue to wait on that.

**From:** Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 16, 2011 12:14 PM  
**To:** Burnell, Scott  
**Subject:** RE: draft advisory language

Scott,

Sorry to bug you – no time on the media advisory, was one left off on purpose?

**From:** Burnell, Scott  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 16, 2011 10:20 AM  
**To:** Harrington, Holly; Akstulewicz, Brenda  
**Subject:** FW: draft advisory language

Draft advisory is in G/CrisisComm/Japan Quake/11\_16\_Media\_Advisory.doc

I'd suggest finalizing it and being ready to issue.

**From:** Brenner, Eliot  
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**To:** Burnell, Scott  
**Subject:** Re: draft advisory language

Ok. Await my word for issuance.  
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**From:** Burnell, Scott  
**To:** Brenner, Eliot  
**Sent:** Wed Mar 16 10:15:27 2011  
**Subject:** RE: draft advisory language

Take two:

NRC Chairman Gregory B. Jaczko and Executive Director of Operations William Borchardt will be available for interviews at 400 N. Capitol St. in Washington, D.C. this afternoon.

For scheduling information, contact the NRC Office of Public Affairs at 301-415-8200.

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**Sent:** Wed Mar 16 10:01:54 2011  
**Subject:** draft advisory language

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