

# WOLF CREEK

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- Reference: 1) Letter WM 87-0311 dated November 13, 1987 from  
B. D. Withers, WCNO to the NRC  
2) Letter WM 88-0145 dated June 24, 1988 from  
B. D. Withers, WCNO to the NRC

Subject: Docket No. 50-482: Revision of the Commitment for  
Performing Pre-job Briefings

Gentlemen:

This letter provides the basis for revision of a commitment from Licensee Event Reports (LER) 87-048-00 and 87-048-01 detailed in references 1 and 2. The commitment pertains to pre-job briefings of maintenance activities associated with outage related work. This revision clarifies the intent of the original commitment and eliminates unnecessary pre-job briefings.

The LERs discuss improper maintenance actions in 1987 which resulted in Engineered Safety Features Actuations and the loss of Residual Heat Removal. The investigation following this event determined that the root cause was the failure of the qualified electrician to follow the maintenance procedure governing the work activity. As part of the comprehensive corrective actions for the event, Wolf Creek Nuclear Operating Corporation (WCNO) committed to performing pre-job briefings on all work during plant operations and outages. WCNO incorporated the commitment for performing the pre-job briefings into the applicable WCNO administrative procedure.

A review of work experience since the time of the event has shown it is not necessary to conduct a pre-job briefing for all work activities. A pre-job briefing remains necessary if the job is complex in nature, affects equipment or personnel safety, or requires an ALARA briefing. However, many of the jobs performed by WCNO personnel are simple in nature and do not represent a potential for affecting equipment or personnel safety and do not require an ALARA briefing. Therefore, WCNO has revised the applicable Administrative procedure requiring pre-job briefings for work activities that are complex in nature, affect equipment or personnel safety or require a ALARA briefing.

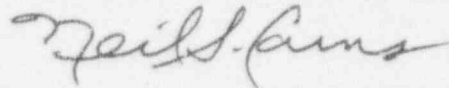
Work activities that have the potential for affecting the health and safety of the public and the worker have had and will continue to have pre-job briefings.

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This revision was discussed with the Senior Resident Inspector, J. F. Ringwald on September 14, 1994.

If you have any questions concerning this matter please contact me at (316) 364-8831, extension 4000, or R. D. Flannigan at (316) 364-8831, extension 4500.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Neil S. Carns".

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