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MINUTES/SUMMARY OF THE
STATE OF NUCLEAR POWER SAFETY SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING
APRIL 10, 1985
WASHINGTON, DC

Purpose:

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the Subcommittee Charter and future schedules. Dr. Kerr requested advice on how the Subcommittee should proceed from the Subcommittee Members.

Meeting Attendees:

ACRS

W. Kerr, Chairman
J. Ebersole, Member
H. Lewis, Member
C. Michelson, Member
D. Okrent, Member
G. Reed, Member
P. Shewmon, Member
A. Cappucci, Staff, DFO

Highlights, Agreements and Requests:

1. Questions posed by Dr. Kerr included whether the report prepared by the September 1985 meeting should represent the view of the ACRS or the ACRS judgement as to the consensus of other groups. He also questioned how one judges the present state of safety, i.e., from a risk point of view, and who the report should be directed to.
2. Dr. Lewis suggested that the report be directed to the Commission and should have two purposes:

- (a) To evaluate the gross safety issue priorities within NRC to see if the important safety issues are being addressed.
 - (b) To identify the safety issues and evaluate the performance on these issues.
- 3. Dr. Okrent indicated that consultants would only be needed on an "as required" basis. That is when expert evaluation is required in a specific technical area, the proper consultant would be engaged.
- 4. Mr. Michelson suggested that the Subcommittee deal with present plants in its evaluations and look at larger issues but be prepared to discuss "nuts and bolts".
- 5. Dr. Kerr stated he would request lists from Committee Members which would cover two prime areas: (1) Reactor Safety problems which require immediate attention, and (2) Issues deemed important to safety but of less immediate concern. Examples of candidate issues discussed by Subcommittee Members include BWR pipe cracking, assurance of core cooling, and human factors issues such as check operator concept. The Subcommittee also suggested that candidate issues should be prioritized according to level of importance.
- 6. Subcommittee Members indicated that they would like to discuss selected issues with a variety of people including representatives of the Union of Concerned Scientists, Members of Congress, utilities, former NRC Commissioners, and the National Labs. A sampling of suggestions include John Ahearn, Victor Gillinsky, Congressmen Udall and Markey, Sol Burnstein (EEI), and Bill Snyder (SNL).
- 7. The next Subcommittee meeting will be within six weeks. Subsequently scheduled for Friday, May 31, 1985.

NOTE: Additional meeting details can be obtained from a transcript of this meeting available in the Public Document Room, 1717 H Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., or can be purchased from ACE-Federal Reporters, 444 North Capitol Street, Washington, D.C., 20001, (2)2) 347-3700.