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REGION II
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ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30303

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Jeffrey B. Lankford, Investigative Coordinator

THRU: *AK* Alan R. Herdt, Chief, Engineering Branch, Division of Reactor Safety

FROM: Jerome J. Blake, Chief, Materials and Processes Section Engineering Branch

SUBJECT: SHEARON HARRIS - ALLEGED CONSTRUCTION DEFICIENCIES
(CASE NO. RII-84-A-0143)

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SUMMARY 1315 - tried to call GUILD at two #s provided by VO. These were DPC (AlCarr) numbers and GUILD was not there.

1330 - TC w/B. Jones who was advised of my need to contact GUILD. JONES stated he has not seen GUILD today but will tell him to call if he does see GUILD.

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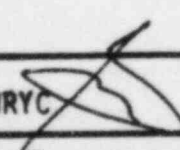
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SUMMARY <u>Discussion with WILLIAMSON on VO affidavit. He advised the document was under review.</u>		
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TO BE INVESTIGATED

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	_____ _____ _____	DATE 10-23-84
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SUMMARY

This meeting involved the following Region II personnel: J. O'REILLY, J. BLAKE, B. URYC, A. GIBSON, C. JULIAN, P. BEMIS, R. LEWIS, and B. WILSON.

PURPOSE: To brief on status of case. Chronology discussed. ALGR's DOL & EEO complaint reviewed. Regional Administrator directed that OI be requested to provide assistance in interviewing ALGR. If information is developed which warrants an OI investigation, such will be requested. BEMIS was directed to ensure that ASLB is aware of information. URYC to contact ALGR's attorney and arrange for interview. BLAKE and one other technical inspector will assist in interview to develop ALGR's technical concerns. LANKFORD will attend interview. Lead in interview will be by OI who will also be requested to provide court reporter to document entire interview. RA directed that this issue be fully developed within four weeks.

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CASE No. 84-A-0143	SITE: HARRIS	SUBJECT: ALLEGED DISCRIMINATION AND POSSIBLE HANGER DEFICIENCIES
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DESCRIPTION: CHAN VAN VO AXA. VAN VO DAVIS FILED DISCRIMINATION
SUIT AGAINST CP4L - IN AFFIDAVIT FILED FOR CASE HE
ALLEGED THAT HE WAS FIRED BECAUSE HE BROUGHT QUALITY
CONCERNS TO THE ATTENTION OF CP4L MANAGEMENT.

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REPORT No./DATE

RESULTS:

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CASE NO.

84-A-0147

SITE:

HARRIS

SUBJECT:

ALLEGED CONSTRUCTION
DEFICIENCIES.

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DESCRIPTION: CONCERNS IDENTIFIED INCLUDED (1) COLD SPRINGING
OF PIPING TO FW PUMP (NON-SAFETY?) (2) PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED
WITH HANGER INSPECTIONS. (3) UNNAMED PROBLEMS
REPRESENTED BY THE NUMEROUS SPEED LETTERS WHICH
ALLEGED SAYS THAT HE HAS.

ASSIGNMENT:

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RESULTS:

CLOSE OUT LETTER:

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	J. BARTH	DATE
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SUMMARY

BARTH advised that hearing on pipe hangers for Harris would begin on 10/16/84, and that hearings were scheduled also for end of Oct. BARTH was briefed on call w/ VO and info re RII receiving the DOL package. I advised BARTH that VO was going to send us an affidavit.

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	 	DATE
	CONFIDENTIALITY REQUESTED YES NO	TIME

SUMMARY

09/20/84 Dick Prevatte called me and said that CP&L had provided him a copy of Mr. Van Vo's DOL complaint. Prevatte said he would mail the copy to me.

09/25/84 The attached copy of the DOL complaint was received.

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1. Facility(ies) Involved:

(If more than 3, or if generic, write GENERIC)

(Name)

SHEARON HARRIS

Docket Number (if applicable)

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2. Functional Area(s) Involved:

(Check appropriate box(es))

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4. Source of Allegation:

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contractor employee

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NRC employee

organization (Specify) _____

other (Specify)

FORMER LICENSEE EMPLOYEE

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security guard

news media

private citizen

5. Date Allegation Received:

MM	DD	YY
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6. Name of Individual Receiving Allegation:

(First two initials and last name)

J. B. LANKEFORD

7. Office:

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8. Action Office Contact:

(First two initials and last name)

J. B. LANKEFORD

9. FTS Telephone Number:

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10. Status:

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Closed, if followup actions are completed

11. Date Closed:

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12. Remarks:

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13. Allegation Number:

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[x] Telecon : Participants: Charles BARTH : File: RII-84-A-0143
[] Mtg : Jeff LANKFORD : Date: 10/12/84
[] Review : : Time: 8:20 am
Confidentiality Req: Yes [] No []

8:20 am - BARTH, ELD called and requested that we contact DOL to see what their findings were regarding Mr. VAN VO's complaint.

1:50 pm - I called BARTH back and provided him the information I had obtained from DOL.

JEFFREY B. LANKFORD
INVESTIGATIVE COORDINATOR

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[x] Telecon : Participants: Mr. STEWART, DOL: File: RII-84-A-*old 3*
[] Mtg : Jeff LANKFORD : Date: 10/12/84
[] Review : : Times:

Confidentiality Req: Yes [] No []

Mr. STEWART, DOL, Raleigh, NC, was called to determine what the DOL findings were regarding Mr. VAN VO's complaint. Mr. STEWART stated that DOL did not find in Mr. VAN VO's favor. He explained that DOL had not found where Mr. VAN VO had participated in any NRC proceedings, and the reason they found for ~~Mr.~~ Mr. VAN VO's dismissal was for poor performance which had been documented.

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