



UNITED STATES  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
REGION II  
101 MARIETTA STREET, N.W.  
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30323

OCT 24 1984

MEMORANDUM FOR: James Y. Vorse, Director, Office of Investigations,  
Atlanta Field Office

FROM: James P. O'Reilly, Regional Administrator

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR INVESTIGATIVE ASSISTANCE - HARRIS NUCLEAR PLANT

On September 19, 1984, we received notification from the Department of Labor that they were in receipt of a complaint from Mr. Chan Van Vo alleging violations of the employee protection provisions of the Energy Reorganization Act by Carolina Power and Light Company. A review of the complaint revealed that VO was an engineer working at the Harris Nuclear Plant and that he had been terminated from employment at the plant on February 29, 1984. In addition, VO's complaint related that he had been assigned to inspect hangers for deficiencies and that he identified a large number of deficiencies which resulted in his supervisor telling him he was a liar and that he did not know how to perform his assigned duties.

After reviewing this complaint, a Region II letter was forwarded to VO requesting that he contact us so that we could discuss his concerns related to construction deficiencies at the Harris site. VO subsequently telephonically contacted B. Uryc and stated that he was represented by an attorney associated with the Government Accountability Project (GAP) and VO requested that any contact with him be arranged through the GAP attorney. In addition, VO stated that he was preparing an affidavit which would describe his concerns in detail and that he would forward a copy of the affidavit to Region II. Inasmuch as VO had gone public with his concerns he is not to be considered a confidential NRC source.

On October 10, 1984, we received a copy of VO's affidavit. It was forwarded to the Division of Reactor Safety for review to determine the technical concerns. You were also provided a courtesy copy of the affidavit by memorandum dated October 10, 1984. Our review of the affidavit resulted in two general technical areas being identified as matters requiring followup by the Region. There also appears, based on a review of his affidavit, that VO believes he was harassed and intimidated by CP&L because he raised safety concerns and allegations that critical construction documentation was falsified.

I have directed my staff to make immediate arrangements to interview VO and that the interview should be coordinated with you. Because of the allegations of wrongdoing, that is, harassment and falsification of records, I am requesting that you take the lead in conducting a joint interview with members of my technical staff in order to fully develop and examine VO's concerns. My staff has advised me that such an interview could logically be expected to take an extensive amount of time and therefore the interview should be transcribed by a court reporter. I have also directed that VO's concerns be identified and

8508230094 850814  
PDR FOIA  
GUILD85-173 PDR

A40

A40

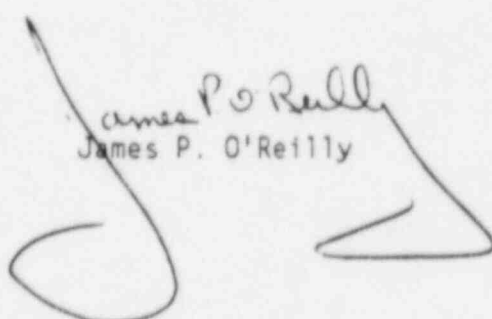
OCT 24 1984

reviewed as quickly as possible because of the ASLB hearings which are currently underway. VO's concerns appear to be within the scope of the contentions before the ASLB board and hearing issues are normally handled on an expedite basis. I have directed Mr. Uryc to contact VO's attorney and arrange for an interview with VO for the week of October 28, 1984.

You are requested to conduct this interview and provide a court reporter to transcribe the interview. I will provide technical assistance for the interview so that the technical issues can also be documented. You are requested to coordinate this request with Mr. Uryc so that appropriate coordination can be effected with VO and his attorney.

Should this interview result in information indicating possible wrongdoing, you are requested to initiate an investigation to document and establish the facts as warranted. We will provide any technical assistance that you may require at your request.

If you have any questions concerning this request, please contact Bruno Uryc at extension 4193.



James P. O'Reilly



UNITED STATES  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
REGION II  
101 MARIETTA STREET, N.W.  
ATLANTA, GEORGIA 30323

U.S. 170

OCT 24 1984

OCT 25 PM 3:15

MEMORANDUM FOR: James Y. Vorse, Director, Office of Investigations,  
Atlanta Field Office

FROM: James P. O'Reilly, Regional Administrator

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR INVESTIGATIVE ASSISTANCE - HARRIS NUCLEAR PLANT

On September 19, 1984, we received notification from the Department of Labor that they were in receipt of a complaint from Mr. Chan Van Vo alleging violations of the employee protection provisions of the Energy Reorganization Act by Carolina Power and Light Company. A review of the complaint revealed that VO was an engineer working at the Harris Nuclear Plant and that he had been terminated from employment at the plant on February 29, 1984. In addition, VO's complaint related that he had been assigned to inspect hangers for deficiencies and that he identified a large number of deficiencies which resulted in his supervisor telling him he was a liar and that he did not know how to perform his assigned duties.

After reviewing this complaint, a Region II letter was forwarded to VO requesting that he contact us so that we could discuss his concerns related to construction deficiencies at the Harris site. VO subsequently telephonically contacted B. Uryc and stated that he was represented by an attorney associated with the Government Accountability Project (GAP) and VO requested that any contact with him be arranged through the GAP attorney. In addition, VO stated that he was preparing an affidavit which would describe his concerns in detail and that he would forward a copy of the affidavit to Region II. Inasmuch as VO had gone public with his concerns he is not to be considered a confidential NRC source.

On October 10, 1984, we received a copy of VO's affidavit. It was forwarded to the Division of Reactor Safety for review to determine the technical concerns. You were also provided a courtesy copy of the affidavit by memorandum dated October 10, 1984. Our review of the affidavit resulted in two general technical areas being identified as matters requiring followup by the Region. There also appears, based on a review of his affidavit, that VO believes he was harassed and intimidated by CP&L because he raised safety concerns and allegations that critical construction documentation was falsified.

I have directed my staff to make immediate arrangements to interview VO and that the interview should be coordinated with you. Because of the allegations of wrongdoing, that is, harassment and falsification of records, I am requesting that you take the lead in conducting a joint interview with members of my technical staff in order to fully develop and examine VO's concerns. My staff has advised me that such an interview could logically be expected to take an extensive amount of time and therefore the interview should be transcribed by a court reporter. I have also directed that VO's concerns be identified and

B11/1

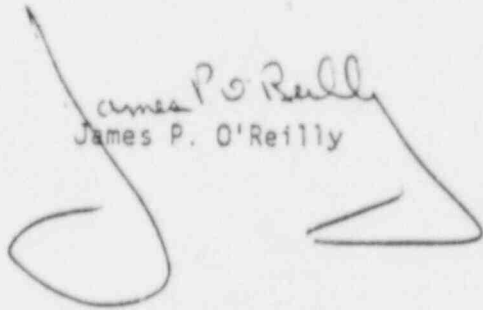
OCT 24 1984

reviewed as quickly as possible because of the ACLB hearings which are currently underway. VO's concerns appear to be within the scope of the contentions before the ASLB board and hearing issues are normally handled on an expedite basis. I have directed Mr. Uryc to contact VO's attorney and arrange for an interview with VO for the week of October 28, 1984.

You are requested to conduct this interview and provide a court reporter to transcribe the interview. I will provide technical assistance for the interview so that the technical issues can also be documented. You are requested to coordinate this request with Mr. Uryc so that appropriate coordination can be effected with VO and his attorney.

Should this interview result in information indicating possible wrongdoing, you are requested to initiate an investigation to document and establish the facts as warranted. We will provide any technical assistance that you may require at your request.

If you have any questions concerning this request, please contact Bruno Uryc at extension 4193.



James P. O'Reilly

## MEMORANDUM TO CASE FILE

TYPE ACTION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RECORD OF CONVERSATION <input type="checkbox"/> CASE REVIEW / SUMMARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER	PARTICIPANTS	B. URYC	FILE NO.	RII-84-A-0143
		J. LANKFORD	DATE	10-27-84
		R. GUILD	TIME	1405
	CONFIDENTIALITY REQUESTED		YES	NO

## SUMMARY

GUILD called and explained that he was not able to return my call from 10-26-84 because it was after 5:00 pm when he finished his call. I thanked him for calling today and explained to him that we wanted to set up the VO interview. GUILD said that he was in a bit of a predicament because he had been informed that possibly he would be going to a DOL hearing with VO on 11-06-84. He said that he would like to do the interview this coming weekend. I explained to GUILD that VORSE (OI) had wanted me to inform him that there were some conditions that VORSE was setting with regards to the upcoming interview. I told GUILD that VORSE wanted to have only him and VO at the interview and that he wanted to conduct the interview at a neutral location such as a motel. GUILD stated that he would have to take some time to consider those conditions. I suggested that he discuss those conditions directly with VORSE and he said that he could do that. GUILD said that he would call back on Monday and we could discuss the matter further.

PAGE 1 OF 1

PREPARED BY	BRUNO URYC	DATE	10-27-84
ACTION REQUIRED			
REVIEWED BY			DATE
A38		OFFICIAL USE ONLY	DO NOT DISCLOSE
		A38	

OFFICIAL USE ONLY

MEMORANDUM TO CASE FILE

TYPE ACTION ( ) RECORD OF ORIGIN ( ) CASE REVIEW / REVIEW ( ) OTHER	PARTICIPANTS    	FILE NO. 84-0143
		DATE OCT 25 1984
		TIME
CONFIDENTIALITY REQUESTED YES NO		

SUMMARY

In news release, a CP&L official said CP&L was looking into VO's concerns. We need to be sure that NRC reviews ~~the~~ CP&L's investigation of VO's charges.

PAGE OF

PREPARED BY

BRUNO JRYC

DATE

OCT 25 1984

ACTION REQUIRED

letter to SRI thru OLSHINSKI requesting he monitor CP&L review of this matter. —  
 W BLAKE can do during his followup of tech issues —

REVIEWED BY

DATE

A39

OFFICIAL USE ONLY

DO NOT DISCLOSE

A39



**OFFICIAL USE ONLY**

**MEMORANDUM TO CASE FILE**

<b>TYPE ACTION</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (X) RECORD OF CONVICTION <input type="checkbox"/> ( ) CASE REVIEW / STATUS <input type="checkbox"/> ( ) OTHER	<b>PARTICIPANTS</b> B. URYC		<b>FILE NO.</b> RII-84-A-0143
	J. LANKFORD		<b>DATE</b> 10-26-84
	J. VORSE		<b>TIME</b> +/- 1300
	<b>CONFIDENTIALITY REQUESTED</b> YES NO		

**SUMMARY**

VORSE came to the office to advise that he had discussed the request for investigation with his Director (Mr. HAYES) and he was advised that the decision to conduct the interview was being left to him (VORSE). He stated that he would do the interview; however, there were some conditions that he was setting for the interview. VORSE requested that when I talk to GUILD that I advise GUILD that VORSE was requesting that only he (GUILD) and VO be at the interview, and that the interview be conducted at a neutral location. VORSE also stated that he would be trying to do the interview on Wednesday, 10-31-84. He also said that he would need at least two days to arrange for a court reported to be present at the interview. I advised VORSE that I would pass his conditions on to GUILD when I talked with him.

NOTE: I contacted GUILD at approximately 1500, 10-26-84, and he stated that he was getting ready to have a conference call concerning the hearing. He said that he expected the call would take approximately an hour and that he would call me back. GUILD did not return my call on 10-26-84.

PAGE 1 OF 1

<b>PREPARED BY</b> BRUNG URYC	<b>DATE</b>
<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>    	
<b>REVIEWED BY</b>	<b>DATE</b>

A37

**OFFICIAL USE ONLY**

**DO NOT DISCLOSE**

A37

## MEMORANDUM TO CASE FILE

<b>TYPE ACTION:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> RECORD OF CONVERSATION <input type="checkbox"/> CASE REVIEW / STATUS <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER	<b>PARTICIPANTS</b> Charles Barth, ELD	<b>FILE NO.</b> RII-84-A-0143
	Jeff Lankford	<b>DATE</b> 11/05/84
	CONFIDENTIALITY REQUESTED YES NO	<b>TIME</b> 9:15 am

**SUMMARY**

Barth called and requested a copy of the Chan Van Vo affidavit.  
 A copy of the affidavit was expressed mailed to Barth this date.

PAGE OF

<b>PREPARED BY</b> J Lankford	<b>DATE</b> 11/05/84
<b>ACTION REQUIRED</b>    	
<b>REVIEWED BY</b>	<b>DATE</b>

A36

**OFFICIAL USE ONLY**

**DO NOT DISCLOSE**

A36