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August 13, 1999

Secretary
United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, DC 20555-0001

SUBJECT:

SUBMITTAL OF PETITION FOR RULEMAKING - EMPLOYEE

PROTECTION TRAINING

Dear Ms. Vietti-Cook:

Pursuant to §2.802 of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations, I hereby submit the enclosed petition for rulemaking. This petition for rulemaking seeks to require NRC's licensees to provide specific training to management (first-line supervisors, managers, directors, and officers) regarding the federal regulations for employee protection. UCS feels that this rulemaking is required based on the NRC staff's position that they are unable to take enforcement actions against individuals who violate the employee protection regulations (i.e., 10 CFR 50.7) unless they can explicitly prove that these individuals knew that their actions violated these important regulations. UCS strongly feels that nuclear industry management should no longer be allowed to use "ignorance of the law" as an excuse for violating employee protection regulations. These illegal activities will only stop when the NRC holds wrong-doers personally accountable.

Sincerely,

David A. Lochbaum

Nuclear Safety Engineer

Union of Concerned Scientists

Enclosure:

Petition for Rulemaking: Employee Protection Training

According to guidance posted on the NRC's website (http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/RULES/petirule.html), the petitioner must, as a minimum:

Set forth a general solution to the problem or present the substance or text of any proposed regulation or amendment or specify the regulation that is to be revoked or amended;

State clearly and concisely your grounds for and interest in the action request; and

Include a statement in support of the petition that sets forth the specific issues involved; your views or arguments with respect to those issues; relevant technical, scientific, or other data involved that is reasonably available to you; and any other pertinent information necessary to support the action sought.

UCS will address these three criteria in the following sections.

Set forth a general solution to the problem or present the substance or text of any proposed regulation or amendment or specify the regulation that is to be revoked or amended

The regulations concerning deliberate misconduct in 10 CFR Parts 30, 32, 40, 50, 52, 60, 61, 70, 71, 72, 110. and 150 should be revised to require licensees to provide training to management (first-line supervisors, managers, directors, and officers) about their obligations with respect to employee protection regulations in 10 CFR.

State clearly and concisely your grounds for and interest in the action request

On May 14, 1996, the NRC issued a policy statement applicable to employee protection regulations:

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is issuing this policy statement to set forth its expectation that licensees and other employers subject to NRC authority will establish and maintain safety-conscious environments in which employees feel free to raise safety concerns, both to their management and to the NRC, without fear of retaliation. The responsibility for maintaining such an environment rests with each NRC licensee, as well as with contractors, subcontractors and employees in the nuclear industry. This policy statement is applicable to NRC regulated activities of all NRC licensees and their contractors and subcontractors.

UCS has had a nuclear safety program for over two decades. We have in the past, and continue, to work with nuclear workers – including employees of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission – who raise safety concerns. The issues raised by nuclear workers have led to significant improvements in safety levels. For example, anonymous concerns received by UCS and forwarded to the State of Maine in December 1996 led to the identification of faults in the safety analyses for the Maine Yankee plant. Another whistle-blower's concerns received by UCS and presented to the NRC in January 1998 led to the discovery of serious defects in the ice condenser containment at the Donald C. Cook nuclear plant.

Title 10 to the Code of Federal Regulations contains regulations to protect such conscientious workers from discrimination. The record indicates that these regulations are frequently violated. Yet the individuals determined by the NRC staff as being responsible for these illegal activities are seldom held accountable.

In the mid 1980s, the NRC promulgated its Fitness-For-Duty rule (10 CFR Part 26). The regulations in 10 CFR Part 26 require nuclear workers to be free from impairment by drugs and alcohol. When it is determined that a worker has not complied with these regulations, enforcement actions can and will be taken against the individual. At least 17 of the 111 individual enforcement actions listed on Attachment 1 involved violation of the fitness-for-duty rule. The NRC did not take enforcement action against the licensees for these cases. It limited its sanctions to those individuals responsible for the violations.

The NRC treats violations of employee protection regulations differently. When it establishes that a violation of an employee protection regulation has occurred, such as in the May 20, 1999, enforcement action imposed against FirstEnergy (see Attachment 2), the NRC seldom takes enforcement action against the individuals responsible for the violations. Instead, the NRC limits its enforcement actions to the licensees.

UCS strongly believes that nuclear safety demands that nuclear workers not be impaired by drug and alcohol. When any worker violates the fitness-for-duty rule, that individual should be held accountable. UCS also strongly believes it is equally important that nuclear workers feel free to raise safety issues without fear of discrimination. When an worker violates the employee protection regulations, that individual should be held accountable.

The NRC is holding individuals who violate the fitness-for-duty rule accountable. The agency is not sholding individuals who violate the employee protection regulations accountable. UCS is attempting to remedy this inequity by this proposed rulemaking. By requiring licensees to train management on their obligations under the employee protection regulations, the NRC staff would no longer be able to claim that individuals were unaware that their actions were illegal.

Include a statement in support of the petition that sets forth the specific issues involved; your views or arguments with respect to those issues; relevant technical, scientific, or other data involved that is reasonably available to you; and any other pertinent information necessary to support the action sought

10 CFR Parts 30, 32, 40, 50, 52, 60, 61, 70, 71, 72, 110, and 150 each contain a regulation against deliberate misconduct by employees and/or contractors of NRC licensees. The following section from 10 CFR Part 50 reflects the scope and content of these deliberate misconduct regulations:

§50.5 Deliberate misconduct.

- (a) Any licensee, applicant for a license, employee of a licensee or applicant; or any contractor (including a supplier or consultant), subcontractor, employee of a contractor or subcontractor of any licensee or applicant for a license, who knowingly provides to any licensee, applicant, contractor, or subcontractor, any components, equipment, materials, or other goods or services that relate to a licensee's or applicant's activities in this part, may not:
 - (1) Engage in deliberate misconduct that causes or would have caused, if not detected, a licensee or applicant to be in violation of any rule, regulation, or order; or any term, condition, or limitation of any license issued by the Commission; or
 - (2) Deliberately submit to the NRC, a licensee, an applicant, or a licensee's or applicant's contractor or subcontractor, information that the person submitting the

information knows to be incomplete or inaccurate in some respect material to the NRC.

- (b) A person who violates paragraph (a)(1) or (a)(2) of this section may be subject to enforcement action in accordance with the procedures in 10 CFR part 2, subpart B.
- (c) For the purposes of paragraph (a)(1) of this section, deliberate misconduct by a person means an intentional act or omission that the person knows:
 - (1) Would cause a licensee or applicant to be in violation of any rule, regulation, or order; or any term, condition, or limitation, of any license issued by the Commission; or
 - (2) Constitutes a violation of a requirement, procedure, instruction, contract, purchase order, or policy of a licensee, applicant, contractor, or subcontractor.

The NRC took enforcement action against individuals 111 times between March 1996 and August 5, 1999 (source: http://www.nrc.gov/OE/rpr/ia.htm). Attachment 1 summarizes these individual enforcement actions. Only four (4) cases involved enforcement action taken by the NRC because the individual discriminated against nuclear workers raising safety concerns.

Federal regulations protect nuclear workers from being discriminated against for raising safety concerns. For example, §50.7, Employee protection, of 10 CFR Part 50 applies to workers at nuclear power plants:

(a) Discrimination by a Commission licensee, an applicant for a Commission license, or a contractor or subcontractor of a Commission licensee or applicant against an employee for engaging in certain protected activities is prohibited. Discrimination includes discharge and other actions that relate to compensation, terms, conditions, or privileges of employment. The protected activities are established in section 211 of the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974, as amended, and in general are related to the administration or enforcement of a requirement imposed under the Atomic Energy Act or the Energy Reorganization Act.

Equivalent regulations within 10 CFR apply to workers at non-power nuclear facilities.

The four (4) cases listed on Attachment 1 where NRC took enforcement action against individuals for their discriminatory actions against nuclear workers clearly demonstrates that the agency can take such actions. However, the evidence is just as clear that the agency seldom imposes enforcement actions against individuals even when it concludes that individuals were responsible for illegal discriminatory actions. Attachment 2 lists the eighteen (18) enforcement actions imposed against nuclear power plant owners between March 1996 and August 5, 1999, for discrimination against nuclear workers (source: http://www.nrc.gov/OE/rpr/rx.htm). Attachment 3 lists the five (5) enforcement actions imposed against non-nuclear power plant licensees between March 1996 and August 5, 1999, for discrimination against workers (source: http://www.nrc.gov/OE/rpr/mat.htm).

In 12 of the 18 enforcement actions against nuclear power plant owners, the NRC also imposed a civil penalty. The penalties ranged between \$55,000 and \$200,000 with the average being \$104,417. In four of

¹ The NRC has also issued Letters of Reprimand to individuals during this time period. However, the NRC staff must not consider such sanctions to be enforcement actions since they are not mentioned in the annual report issued by the Office of Enforcement. UCS agrees that Letters of Reprimand do not constitute enforcement action.

the five enforcement actions against non-nuclear plant licensees, the NRC also imposed a civil penalty. The penalties ranged between \$4,400 and \$10,000 with the average being \$7,800.

Thus, from March 1996 to August 5, 1999, the NRC took 23 enforcement actions against licensees for discriminating against nuclear workers. In 16 of these 23 cases, the NRC staff also imposed a civil penalty. Before taking these enforcement actions and imposing these fines, the NRC staff's investigations determined who did what to whom. The NRC concluded that the "what" violated the employee protection regulations of 10 CFR.

However, despite identifying "who" was responsible for violating federal regulations in these 23 cases, the NRC staff only took enforcement action against individuals on four occasions. That they took actions against four individuals demonstrates that the NRC has the statutory authority to do so. In fact, the NRC revised 10 CFR Parts 30, 32, 40, 50, 52, 60, 61, 70, 71, 72, 110, and 150 in January 1998 to expand its statutory authority:

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is amending its regulations to extend the Deliberate Misconduct Rule to six categories of persons: applicants for NRC licenses; applicants for, or holders of, certificates of compliance; applicants for, or holders of, early site permits, standard design certifications, or combined licenses for nuclear power plants; applicants for, or holders of, certificates of registration; applicants for, or holders of, quality assurance program approvals; and the employees, contractors, subcontractors and consultants of the above five categories of persons. This amendment would subject these categories of persons to enforcement action for deliberate misconduct. Deliberate misconduct may involve providing information that is known to be incomplete or inaccurate in some respect material to the NRC, or it may involve conduct that causes or would have caused, if not detected, a licensee, certificate holder, or applicant to be in violation of any of the Commission's requirements.

On May 25, 1999, UCS filed a petition with the NRC pursuant to §2.206 of 10 CFR:

The Union of Concerned Scientists (UCS) submits this petition pursuant to the 'other actions' provision of 10 CFR 2.206. Specifically, we request that the individual who was the Radiation Protection Manager at the Perry Nuclear Power Plant be banned by the NRC from participation in licensed activities at and for any nuclear power plant for a period of at least five (5) years.

According to NRC News Announcement RIII-99-31 dated May 24, 1999, the NRC proposed a \$110,000 fine against First Energy Nuclear Operating Company for violation of the employee protection requirements of 10 CFR Part 50.7. The announcement stated that an NRC investigation found that the Radiation Protection Manager at the Perry Nuclear Power Plant discriminated against a supervisor in 1997 for testifying in a United States Department of Labor hearing involving possible discrimination against another plant worker. The NRC has banned individuals in the recent past for five (5) years for retaliation.³

Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Press Release No. II-97-08, "NRC Staff Proposes \$100,000 Fine Against Tennessee Valley Authority – NRC Staff Also Prohibits TVA Executive from Involvement in NRC-Licensed Activities," January 14, 1997.

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It must also be noted that fining a nuclear plant owner \$110,000 for an employee protection violation has little impact. The GAO, in report GAO/RCED-97-145 dated May 1997, reported that a nuclear plant shut down costs its owner \$249,000 to \$310,000 each day. A manager who discriminates against a worker and prevents a four-day shut down thus saves the company nearly \$1 million at the mere risk of \$110,000 – a prudent business decision.

By letter dated June 23, 1999, the NRC denied the UCS petition:

As part of our internal deliberations during the enforcement process, consideration was given to taking enforcement action against the Manager. The NRC determined, however, that the Manager was not familiar with the requirements of 10 CFR 50.7. In your submittal, you argued that even if this is accurate, that ignorance of the law is no excuse. The NRC agrees that knowledge and understanding of the law are not necessary elements in determining whether a violation of 10 CFR 50.7 occurred. These elements are relevant, however, in determining whether enforcement action can be taken against the individual based on a violation of 10 CFR 50.5, the rule on deliberate misconduct. Therefore, no formal action was taken against the Manager. The NRC issued the Manager a letter stating that the Manager's actions contributed to the enforcement action against FirstEnergy. Additionally, the letter informed the Manager that involvement in a future discrimination violation could result in enforcement action against the Manager.

In this case, the NRC imposed a \$110,000 civil penalty – the maximum permitted by law – against the owner of the Perry Nuclear Power Plant because its Radiation Protection Manager violated the employee protection requirements of 10 CFR 50.7. However, the NRC claimed it could take no action against the manager who violated 10 CFR 50.7 because that individual may not have known that his actions were illegal. In other words, ignorance of the law is indeed an excuse – at least when it comes to violating regulations promulgated to protect nuclear workers from discrimination.

The NRC's decision regarding UCS's petition makes little sense. When they revised 10 CFR Parts 30, 32, 40, 50, 52, 60, 61, 70, 71, 72, 110, and 150 in January 1998, the NRC stated:

The objective of the rule is to explicitly put those persons encompassed by this modification of the Deliberate Misconduct Rule on notice that enforcement action may be taken against them for deliberate misconduct or deliberate submission of incomplete or inaccurate information, in relation to NRC licensed activities. Under Section 234 of the Atomic Energy Act, the Commission may impose civil penalties on any person who violates any rule, regulation, or order issued under any one of the enumerated provisions of the Act, or who commits a violation for which a license may be revoked. The enforcement actions that may be taken, including orders limiting activities of wrongdoers in the future and civil penalties, will serve as a deterrent to others throughout the industry. [emphasis added]

For some unfathomable reason, the NRC staff believes that people will be aware that the deliberate misconduct regulation was expanded to apply to them, but that these same people will be oblivious to all of the other regulations that define proper conduct.

Rather than debating whether the NRC staff can really excuse illegal activities of nuclear industry management based on their ignorance of federal regulations (which, of course, begs the question why NRC is not concerned about people running nuclear facilities who profess ignorance of federal safety regulations), UCS is opting for this proposed rule change to take away the ignorance excuse altogether.

Name

Action No.

Date Issued

Reason for Sanction

A. Abdulshafi

IA 98-058

March 31, 1999

Transferred moisture density gauges containing byproduct material to a person not authorized to possess such material.

Shashi K. Agarwal

IA 97-006

September 12, 1996

Operating without RSO or authorized user as required by license.

Robert C. Allen

IA 96-065

October 18, 1996

Deliberate violation of approved, detailed written procedures for the venting of the Unit 1 pressurizer relief tank.

Steven R. Allent

IA 96-050

September 5, 1996

Deliberate exposure of a coworker to a hot particle.

Steven M. Allison

IA 99-010

March 25, 1999

Violation of NRC requirements governing fitness-for-duty as a licensed operator.

Randall Allmon

IA 98-061

January 27, 1999

Submitted inaccurate information.

John T. Altman

IA 97-085

October 29, 1997

Tested positive for illegal drug in random FFD test.

Finis Scott Bandy

IA 97-087

November 19, 1997

False statement to licensee with respect to prior criminal record; altered documents.

Jeffrey Barnhart

IA 97-049

June 23, 1997

Falsification of access authorization information.

Daniel R. Baudino

IA 97-032

May 27, 1997

Deliberately falsified personal history information.

Robert Beltran

IA 96-074

November 21, 1996

Submitted false employment information claiming employment with an employer for five years, when in fact, he had never been employed by said employer.

Aharon Ben-Haim, Ph.D.

IA 97-065

July 31, 1997

Inaccurate statement on license application.

Aharon Ben-Haim, Ph.D.

IA 97-068

August 27, 1997

Inaccurate statement on license application.

Sue A. Blacklock

IA 97-059

August 5, 1997

Coerced chemistry technician to falsify reactor enclosure cooling water sample documentation

John Boschuk Jr.

IA 98-019

April 10, 1998

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Deliberate material false statements, destruction of records.

Lourdes T. Boschuk

IA 98-020

April 10, 1998

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Deliberate material false statements, destruction of records.

David Branham

IA 99-016

April 30, 1999

Falsifying the record of the release rate calculation verifications.

William E. Breen

IA 96-049

August 27, 1996

Failed a chemical test for drugs.

Leland H. Brooks

IA 98-024

July 24, 1998

Deliberately falsified information which you provided on an application to obtain unescorted access to Pacific Gas & Electric's Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant.

Samuel L. Brooks

IA 96-030

June 12, 1996

Deliberately recorded dosages in the dose administration records that were not accurate.

Sheila N. Burns

IA 98-067

April 29, 1999

Conducting radiography without a radiation survey instrument.

Joseph R. Bynum

IA 96-101

January 13, 1997

Deliberately violated Section 211 of the Energy Reorganization Act and 10 CFR 50.5 (Deliberate Misconduct). the deliberate misconduct caused the licensee to be in violation of 10 CFR 50.7 (Employee Protection)

Kirk H. Carroll

IA 96-051

September 6, 1996

Deliberately violated procedures by entering a yellowcake packaging enclosure without wearing a full face respirator.

John Chmielorz

IA 99-011

June 17, 1999

Deliberate failure to allow use of nuclear gauge without proper certification and dosimetry.

William H. Clark

IA 98-045

December 21, 1998

Deliberate misconduct in violation of 10 CFR 50.5 of the Commission's regulations when false information was provided to two NRC licensees.

Gary L. Cowan

IA 98-008

March 11, 1998

Stole source containing licensed material

Charles W. Davis

IA 99-009

March 29, 1999

Deliberate violation of the NRC-required fitness for duty (FFD) program.

James S. Dawson

IA 99-002

April 29, 1999

Conducting radiography without a radiation survey instrument.

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Reason for Sanction

Eric DeBarba

IA 99-012

April 6, 1999

Discrimination against two supervisors.

Steven DeNise

IA 97-077

October 10, 1997

Fitness for Duty.

Mark D. Diehl

IA 96-031

June 14, 1996

Tested positive for marijuana and was terminated.

Kent Dvorak

IA 97-079

November 17, 1997

Deliberate failure to ensure workers completed operator safety training prior to possessing and operating gauges.

Bryan Eccelston

IA 96-032

June 17, 1996

Tested positive for cocaine use and was terminated.

Magdy Elamir, M.D.

IA 97-064

July 31, 1997

Inaccurate statement on license application.

Magdy Elamir, M.D.

IA 97-070

September 15, 1997

Inaccurate statement on license application.

M. El Naggar

IA 98-059

March 31, 1999

Transferred moisture density gauges containing byproduct material to a person not authorized to possess such material.

Kenneth F. Enoch

IA 99-036

July 23, 1999

Deliberate falsification of surveillance procedure.

Neil Everson

IA 99-031

July 20, 1999

Deliberate violation of the procedures implementing the NRC-approved security plan for the Zion Station.

Edwin S. Feemster

IA 99-007

June 7, 1999

Failure to maintain an accurate training attendance record.

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Richard Fentiman

IA 96-061

September 27, 1996

Failure to follow access authorization procedures.

Joseph M. Foley

IA 98-055

May 12, 1999

Inaccurate information provided.

Jose R. Garza

IA 97-038

July 30, 1997

Operations supervisor failed to disclose two arrests and convictions for DUI.

Richard M. Gracin

IA 96-052

December 19, 1996

August 13, 1999

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Deliberately provided information to an NRC inspector and to licensee representatives that was inaccurate.

Juan Guzman

IA 96-020

April 19, 1996

Provided false information about identity and criminal background.

Charles H. Hardison, Jr.

IA 98-012

March 13, 1998

Senior Radiation Protection Technician falsified error activity data sheet

David Harris

IA 96-062

October 22, 1996

Submitted urine sample that had been altered or tampered with.

Timothy Hartnett

IA 98-056

November 19, 1998

Left the controls of the reactor unattended.

Jeffrey W. Holybee

IA 97-072

September 12, 1997

Violations of license conditions.

Nathan Hougas

IA 97-080

February 4, 1998

Deliberate false statement in a security report regarding an unlocked vital area.

Donald T. Hughes, Jr.

IA 99-028

June 10, 1999

Failure to comply with Fitness-for-Duty requirements.

Harvey J. Hyde, Jr.

IA 98-036

July 10, 1998

Fitness-for-Duty Violation.

Gary Isakoff

IA 98-006

February 24, 1999

Fabricated records.

David Johns

IA 97-026

May 15, 1997

Deliberate use of licensed material following suspension of license.

Mark Jenson

IA 96-042

July 16, 1996

Deliberately violated 10 CFR 30.10 by failing to utilize trained and qualified individuals for the conduct of radiographic operations.

Thomas C. Johnson

IA 98-002

April 28, 1998

Willful manipulation of Fitness-For-Duty computer program.

Roger E. Jones

IA 96-073

November 19, 1996

Licensed operator failed a chemical test for drugs.

Stephen M. Jozwiak

IA 97-086

November 7, 1997

Licensed operator failed a chemical test for drugs.

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Subhash Khullar

IA 97-031

March 21, 1997

Abandoning licensed material and providing false information to the NRC.

Peter Kint

IA 99-001

March 1, 1999

Deliberately failed to wear his alarming ratemeter.

David Kirkland

IA 97-010

April 1, 1997

Deliberate violation of 10 CFR 35.25(a)(2) by administering 6.6 millicuries of iodine-131 to a patient without first obtaining the signature of an authorized user on a written directive.

Michael S. Kirzmanich

IA 97-014

February 18, 1997

The action was based on a violation of 10 CFR 30.9 and 10 CFR 34.27. Specifically, the licensee's utilization logs maintained at the licensee's Wexford, Pennsylvania, office were inaccurate because they were neither "current" nor created on the date of use of the source, but in fact, were created at a later time in order to address questions asked by the NRC during a previous NRC inspection. This information was material because it had the capability to influence NRC action and, in fact, was presented to the NRC as indication that PI had completed the logs on the date of use.

Krishna Kumar

IA 97-011

February 18, 1997

Deliberate falsification of NRC-required records

Lee LaRocque

IA 98-065

February 24, 1999

Misadministration.

John Maas

IA 96-100

December 12, 1996

Abandoned sources used in gauge plant.

Emil McCormic

IA 99-008

March 25, 1999

Violation of NRC requirements covering fitness-for-duty as a licensed operator.

Donald J. McDonald, Jr.

IA 96-018

March 27, 1996

Provided incomplete and inaccurate information on applications made for access authorization at Illinois Power Company.

Julian McGriff

IA 97-067

February 23, 1998

Falsification of EP records.

Darryl D. McNeil

IA 97-001

March 24, 1997

Security violations.

Lee Meyers

IA 97-017

March 7, 1997

Violation of a license requirement by allowing patient treatments to continue without monthly calibration checks of the high dose rate afterloader, even though he knew that the checks were

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David Milas

IA 98-047

September 18, 1998

Deliberate misconduct at nuclear power facilities and the compromise of the integrity of NRC examinations.

Michael Muszynski

IA 96-067

December 20, 1996

Falsification of dose calibrator constancy record.

James Mulkey

IA 97-012

February 18, 1997

The action was based on an inspection and investigation which concluded that Mr. Mulkey engaged in deliberate misconduct by: (1) submitting to NRC licensees inaccurate information concerning eddy current qualification certification examination results and personnel certification summaries; (2) providing to the NRC a letter which contained inaccurate information relating to whether corrective actions had been taken in response to a previous Notice of Violation; and (3) providing false information to the NRC during a telephone discussion with a representative of the NRC.

Charles J. Naivar

IA 98-035

July 17, 1998

Deliberately failed to follow plant procedures while conducting an inspection of the diesel generator building and falsified the corresponding procedural documentation.

Albert M. Nardslico

IA 98-001

April 28, 1998

Willful manipulation of Fitness-For-Duty computer program.

James C. Nelson

TA 07-004

January 27, 1997

Wrongdoing - use of gauge when under order not to do so.

Robert J. Nelson

IA 97-033

August 18, 1997

Falsification of quality assurance document.

Steven F. Nevin

IA 97-060

August 5, 1997

Involved with falsification of reactor enclosure cooling water sample documentation.

Michael Perry

IA 98-048

September 18, 1998

Deliberate misconduct at a nuclear power facility and the compromise of the integrity of NRC examinations.

Jesus Osorio

IA 96-043

July 16, 1996

Failure to provide training for radiographers and provided false information to the NRC concerning radiographers certification.

Cecil Ray Owen

IA 96-103

January 2, 1997

False statements regarding prior drug use.

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Gary Pageau

IA 99-003

August 3, 1999

Deliberate misconduct involving discrimination against an electrician for raising safety concern.

John R. Raskovsky

IA 97-037

June 18, 1997

Deliberately falsification of personnel background security forms.

Michael Redlin

IA 97-088

December 8, 1997

Falsifying access authorization regarding drug use.

Darrel T. Rich

IA 97-074

January 5, 1998

Falsified radiation survey.

Todd Ripplinger

IA 98-057

February 24, 1999

Deliberate misconduct.

Brian K. Rogers

IA 98-062

January 27, 1999

Submitted inaccurate information.

Kelly N. Ross

IA 97-075

September 12, 1997

Falsification of access authorization record.

Randall Rumley

IA 97-071

September 12, 1997

Deliberately transferred an unauthorized quantity of UO2 powder and attempted to conceal the action.

Kipp Rustenholtz

IA 96-040

July 17, 1996

Deliberately received material at unauthorized location.

James P. Ryan

TA 07_007

January 31, 1997

Licensed operator failed a chemical test for drugs.

Stephen W. Ryan

IA 98-015

July 10, 1998

Falsification of Surveillance Test.

Roy Sadovksy (DVM)

IA 97-024

May 1, 1997

Deliberate use of licensed material at an unauthorized location.

Bradley K. Sherwin

IA 99-030

July 8, 1999

Deliberate failure to secure and control licensed material and deliberate failure to provide the NRC with complete and accurate information regarding the licensed material (moisture density gauge).

Marvin Shook

IA 97-073

September 12, 1997

Falsification of access authorization records.

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Allen J. Simoneaux

IA 97-076

September 16, 1997

Falsification of access authorization records.

Donald Smith

IA 97-056

July 23, 1997

Deliberately provided false information regarding tamper alarms.

Richard A. Speciale

IA 99-091

July 21, 1999

Deliberate misconduct to secure and control licensed material without proper certification and training and deliberate failure to provide NRC with accurate information regarding the licensed material (portable gauges).

Derek Stevens

IA 97-008

April 15, 1997

Deliberate violations of NRC requirements.

George W. Stewart

IA 97-015

February 18, 1997

The action was based on a violation of 10 CFR 30.9 and 10 CFR 34.27. Specifically, the licensee's utilization logs maintained at the licensee's Wexford, Pennsylvania, office were inaccurate because they were neither "current" nor created on the date of use of the source, but in fact, were created at a later time in order to address questions asked by the NRC during a previous NRC inspection. This information was material because it had the capability to influence NRC action and, in fact, was presented to the NRC as indication that PI had completed the logs on the date of use.

Ronald Stewart

IA 97-018

April 4, 1997

Deliberate failure to provide complete and accurate information during the pre-employment process.

Jaromir Stipek

IA 98-007

July 6, 1998

Deliberate misconduct.

Lanny R. Tillman

IA 97-089

December 1, 1997

Work performed on wrong component.

Jack D. Taylor

Michael Thomas

IA 98-010

July 2, 1998

Violation of NRC requirements.

IA 98-064

May 12, 1999

Deliberately attempted to conceal the release of the contaminated video equipment.

Dale Todd

IA 98-066

March 31, 1999

Conducted NRC-licensed activities without a specific or general licensed issued by the NRC.

Frank A. Warriner

LA 96-015

March 7, 1996

Discrimination against a contract employee based on the employee's engaging in protected activities.

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Leslie Weibley

IA 98-003

March 4, 1998

Willful transportation violation. False information to OI investigators.

A. Davey Wells

IA 98-004

January 5, 1998

Deliberately provided an NRC inspector with information that was incomplete and inaccurate.

Kenneth Wierman

IA 99-021

May 10, 1999

Deliberate falsification of training records.

Lonnie Randall Wilson

IA 97-050

June 26, 1997

Deliberately falsified background information.

Leo C. Zell

IA 98-016

July 10, 1998

Falsification of Surveillance Test.

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Licensee Name

Plant Name Action No.

Size of Fine

Date Issued

Reason for Sanction

North Atlantic Energy Service Corporation

Seabrook Station, New Hampshire

EA 98-165

\$55,000

August 3, 1999

Violation involving discrimination against an electrician for raising safety issues

FirstEnergy Nuclear Operating Company

Perry Nuclear Power Plant, Ohio

EA 99-012

\$110,000

May 20, 1999

Discriminated against a Radiation Protection Supervisor (RPS) as a result of the RPS engaging in protected activities.

Northeast Nuclear Energy Company

Millstone Station, Connecticut

EA 98-325

None

April 6, 1999

Discrimination against two supervisors.

Northeast Nuclear Energy Company

Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Connecticut

EA 97-461

\$88,000

March 9, 1999

Violation involving the discrimination against two contractor employees.

Arizona Public Service Company

Palo Verde Nuclear Generating Station, Arizona

EA 93-159

\$100,000

March 7, 1996

Action based on discrimination against a contract instrumentation and control technician.

Bartlett Nuclear, Incorporated

Plymouth, Massachusetts

EA 96-060

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None

June 4, 1996

Discrimination against individual.

Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company

Perry Nuclear Power Plant, Ohio

EA 96-253

\$160,000

October 9, 1996

Discrimination against 5 insulators who sued licensee after they were contaminated while working in plant.

Florida Power and Light Company

Turkey Point, Florida

EA 96-051

\$100,000

July 16, 1996

Discrimination against an individual when he was fired for engaging in protected activities.

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Reason for Sanction

Georgia Power Company

Vogtle Electric Generating Plant, Georgia

EA 95-171 and EA 95-277 None

May 29, 1996

Discrimination against former senior manager.

Houston Light and Power Company

South Texas Project, Texas

EA 96-133 and 96-136

\$200,000

September 19, 1996

Discrimination.

McEnany Roofing, Inc.

Tampa, Florida

EA 96-336

None

December 12, 1996 .

This action was based on violation of 10 CFR 50.7 which prohibits, in part, discrimination by a contractor of a Commission licensee against an employee for engaging in certain protected activities. Specifically, the discrimination included the discharge of a security escort as a result of the escorts reporting a violation of security escort requirements imposed pursuant to the Atomic Energy Act.

Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation

Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station, New York

EA 96-116

\$80,000

July 24, 1996

Discrimination against employee.

Northeast Nuclear Energy Company

Millstone Nuclear Power Station, Connecticut

EA 96-059

\$100,000

June 4, 1996

Discrimination against individual.

Public Service Electric and Gas Company

Salem Nuclear Generating Station, New Jersey

EA 96-177

\$80,000

December 9.1996

The licensee, through its former manager of NSR, discriminated in December 1992 against a Safety Review Engineer (SRE) and in November 1993 and May 1994 against a former Onsite Safety Review Engineer (OSRE).

Raytheon Engineers & Constructors, Inc.

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

EA 96-137

None

September 19, 1996

Discrimination.



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Reason for Sanction

STP Nuclear Operating Company STP Nuclear Generating Station, Texas

EA 97-341

None

June 9, 1998

Discrimination against supervisor and engineer for reporting safety concerns.

Tennessee Valley Authority
Browns Ferry Nuclear Plant, Alabama
EA 95-252
\$80,000⁴

Discrimination

February 20, 1996

Tennessee Valley Authority Sequoyah Nuclear Plant, Tennessee

EA 95-199

\$100,000

January 13, 1997

Chemistry manager was threatened with termination for raising safety concerns.

⁴ Subsequently withdrawn

Attachment 3 NRC Discrimination Sanctions Against Materials Licensees 1996 to August 1999

Licensee Name

Plant Name

Action No.

Size of Fine

Date Issued

Reason for Sanction

Coriell Institute for Medical Research

Camden, NJ

EA 99-060

\$4,400

June 2, 1999

Discrimination against an employee for raising safety concern.

Honolulu Medical Group

Honolulu, Hawaii

EA 95-006

None

January 23, 1997

Discrimination

Koppel Steel Corporation

Beavers Fall, Pennsylvania EA 96-498

\$8,800

March 19, 1997

The action was based on discrimination against a former Radiation Safety
Officer after he provided information to an NRC inspector during an April
1996 inspection.

Mattingly Testing Services, Inc.

Billings, Montana

EA 97-180

\$10,000⁵

October 31, 1997

Discrimination '

V. A., Department of

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

EA 96-182

\$8,000°

September 18, 1996

Discrimination against RSO for contacting NRC

Subsequently withdrawn

Subsequently withdrawn