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From: Christopher Grimes
To: Ellis Merschoff
Date: Wed, Sep 15, 2004 10:25 AM
Subject: Re: UFM Meeting

Ellis: Attached is the detailed plan for Friday's meeting. George Dick is preparing an agenda with designated times, and we'll forward that to you as soon as it's ready. We are leaving a time for an ASME representative on the agenda, but they have not identified a participant. Thus, we may drop that agenda item when we start the meeting, and allow more time for the staff to caucus and summarize. I plan to lead the meeting and, while I don't mind if you attend, we need to explain your interest in a way that will make sense when it appears in Inside NRC and not fan the fires of controversy on this topic.

>>> Jim Dyer 09/14/04 05:54PM >>>
Ellis,

I believe Chris Grimes is running the meeting. I'll let him provide the answers to your questions by copy of this response to him.

Jim.

>>> Ellis Merschoff 09/14/2004 10:06:12 AM >>>
Jim,

I'm considering attending some of the UFM meeting Friday.

1. Who is running it?
2. Can you forward an agenda?
3. Would my going cause you any concerns?

Ellis

CC: Brian Sheron; Evangelos Marinos; George Dick; Gregory Cwalina; Jared Wermiel;
Jim Dyer; Jose Calvo; Richard Barrett; Richard Borchardt; Tad Marsh

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Ultrasonic Flow Meter Public Meeting Agenda

Purpose of Meeting:

1. Solicit feedback from licensees using ultrasonic flow meters (UFMs) regarding (1) insights from operating experience and the extent of generic applicability of the lessons learned; (2) current practices for verifying the measurement uncertainty of installed UFMs; and (3) information considered necessary and sufficient to demonstrate that there is reasonable assurance that their plant is operating within its licensed power level.
2. Solicit feedback from ASME on the viability of using an ASME-qualified flow nozzle to confirm the accuracy of plant-specific UFM installations.

Meeting Success Criteria:

1. Meeting participants openly discuss UFM experience, the root cause of overpower events, and methods the licensees and UFM vendors consider as necessary and sufficient to confirm the accuracy of plant-specific UFM applications;
2. Discuss applicability of flowmeter calibration standards; and
3. Provide information that contributes to the NRC staff developing a well-informed basis to determine whether and how a generic communication on UFM experience should proceed.

Agenda:

- NRC introduction and statement of concern
- Licensees discuss operating experience
 - Exelon discuss Byron & Braidwood experience
 - OPPD discuss Ft Calhoun experience
 - ANPP discuss Palo Verde experience
 - Westinghouse AMAG users group representative explain users-group view
 - Caldon users representative explain users-group view
- Closed meeting time if licensees need to present proprietary information.
- Break
- ASME representative to discuss PTC-18 standard and calibration practices
- NRC summary
- Questions and comments from interested public participants
- Adjourn meeting