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ANN PFAFF - NJDEP SPOKESPERSON
GIAN CAMPESI - OEM SPOKESPERSON

ALSO PRESENT:

CAPTAIN PATRICK GORMAN - BUREAU CHIEF FOR
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JAY VOUGLITOIS
RUBEN PAPRANIKU
DANIEL SALAMA
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1 MR. HUMPHREYS: Good evening. My
2 name is Jerry Humphreys. I am the Supervisor
3 of the Nuclear Engineering Section within the
4 New Jersey Department of Environmental
5 Protection. I will be the Hearing Officer this
6 evening.

7 The purpose of this hearing is to
8 receive comments and questions regarding the
9 adequacy and effectiveness of the New
10 Jersey Radiological Emergency Response Plan
11 for Nuclear Power Plants. In order that this
12 hearing may be properly documented, these
13 proceedings are being recorded by a certified
14 shorthand reporter.

15 Everyone attending the meeting is
16 asked to sign the attendance sheet before
17 leaving. The attendance sheets for these
18 hearings are used to update the Bureau of
19 Nuclear Engineering's public hearing mailing
20 list.

21 Public notice of this hearing was
22 published in the New Jersey Register on June
23 17th and July 1st, 2019. In addition, public
24 notice was published in the South Jersey Times
25 from July 1st through July 9th, 2019. Copies

1 of the public notice for the hearings were
2 mailed to all the people who attended last
3 year's hearings.

4 This hearing will proceed as
5 follows: I'll provide a brief background on
6 why we are conducting this hearing. Then I
7 will introduce the panel members and ask them
8 to briefly describe the role of their
9 organization in nuclear emergency preparedness
10 and response. Finally, I'll open the hearing
11 for comments and questions from the public.

12 The New Jersey Radiation Accident
13 Response Act requires the Department of
14 Environmental Protection, in cooperation with
15 the New Jersey Division of State Police, to
16 conduct public hearings, to take comment on,
17 and to address questions relevant to the
18 adequacy and effectiveness of the New Jersey
19 Radiological Emergency Response Plan for
20 Nuclear Power Plants.

21 These public hearings are held
22 annually in each of the three counties affected
23 by the plan: Ocean County for Oyster Creek
24 Nuclear Generating Station, and Salem and
25 Cumberland Counties for the Salem Unit 1, Salem

1 Unit 2, and Hope Creek Nuclear Generating
2 Stations.

3 We're here tonight to listen to your
4 questions and comments on New Jersey's nuclear
5 emergency response plan. Comments on more
6 general nuclear power issues or issues that
7 relate to licensing and regulatory matters at
8 nuclear power plants are not within the purview
9 of this meeting and, hence, are not
10 appropriate, and will not be addressed.

11 Now I'd like to introduce the
12 members of the panel. Mr. Gian Campesi is
13 representing the New Jersey Division of State
14 Police. Mr. Campesi is the Assistant Unit Head
15 of the Radiological Emergency Response Planning
16 and Technical Unit in the Office of Emergency
17 Management. Ms. Pfaff is representing the New
18 Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.
19 Ms. Pfaff is the Supervisor of the Nuclear
20 Emergency Preparedness Section in the Bureau of
21 Nuclear Engineering within the New Jersey
22 Department of Environmental Protection.

23 Now I'll ask Mr. Campesi to briefly
24 describe the role of the State Police in
25 the plan.

1 MR. CAMPESI: Thank you, Jerry.

2 Good evening. My name is Gian Campesi, and I
3 am representing the State of Office Emergency
4 Management within the New Jersey Division of
5 State Police.

6 Our Office has the responsibility
7 for administering and implementing the
8 Radiological Emergency Response Plan for
9 incidents at nuclear power plants in New
10 Jersey. In addition to the preparation of the
11 radiological emergency plans, the New Jersey
12 State Police is the lead agency in the
13 following functional areas: Notification and
14 Communication, Command and Coordination,
15 Protective Actions, which include Evacuation,
16 Shelter-In-Place, Monitor and Prepare, Access
17 Control, and Food, Water and Milk Control.

18 Also, parallel actions also include
19 Traffic Control, Decontamination, Exposure
20 Control, Mass Care, Law Enforcement, Fire
21 Control, Public Health, and Re-entry, Return,
22 and Recovery.

23 For the record tonight, I would like
24 to introduce Captain Patrick Gorman, who is the
25 New Jersey State Police Emergency Preparedness

1 Bureau Chief.

2 CAPTAIN GORMAN: Good evening.

3 MR. HUMPHREYS: Thank you.

4 CAPTAIN GORMAN: Thank you, Gian.

5 MR. CAMPESI: Thank you.

6 MR. HUMPHREYS: Now I will ask Ms.
7 Pfaff to briefly describe the role of the
8 Department in the plan.

9 MS. PFAFF: Good evening. My name
10 is Ann Pfaff. I am the Supervisor of Nuclear
11 Emergency Preparedness Section in the Bureau of
12 Nuclear Engineering. I will briefly discuss
13 the role of the Department of Environmental
14 Protection in New Jersey's Radiological
15 Emergency Response Plan.

16 The New Jersey Radiological
17 Emergency Response Plan identifies all
18 responsible state agencies and outlines their
19 specific roles in the event of a nuclear
20 emergency. The Plan includes Standard
21 Operating Procedures, which contain detailed
22 instructions and guidelines used by each agency
23 when performing their specific duties. The
24 Standard Operating Procedures are reviewed and
25 tested annually through drills and exercises.

1 The procedures are then revised as necessary in
2 order to enhance emergency response.

3 Under the New Jersey Radiation
4 Accident Response Act, the Department of
5 Environmental Protection has the lead role in
6 Accident Assessment and control of food, water,
7 and milk following an incident. Accident
8 Assessment involves two separate analyses: An
9 engineering analysis of the event at the plant
10 as it unfolds; and an analysis of the amount of
11 radiation to which the public may be exposed in
12 the event of a release.

13 Depending upon the severity of the
14 event, the Department provides Protective
15 Action Recommendations to the Governor, who
16 will make a final decision on actions to be
17 implemented to protect public health and
18 safety.

19 Protective Action Recommendations
20 for the public may include the administration
21 of potassium iodide, evacuation, sheltering,
22 and access control within the affected, or
23 potentially affected, area.

24 The Act also specifies that the
25 Department develop and implement a

1 comprehensive monitoring strategy that includes
2 the daily monitoring of the levels of
3 radioactivity in the environment.

4 The Department provides public
5 health, safety, and technical guidance with
6 respect to the preparation and implementation
7 of the Plan. And the Department's final
8 responsibility under the Act is to conduct, in
9 cooperation with State Police, public hearings
10 annually in each designated county to determine
11 the adequacy and effectiveness of the Plan.

12 Members of our staff here from the
13 Department of Environmental Protection include:
14 Mr. Jay Vouglitois from the Environmental
15 Section; Sahar Azmat from Emergency
16 Preparedness; Ruben Paprainiku, also from
17 Emergency Preparedness; and Dan Salama from
18 Emergency Preparedness. Thank you.

19 MR. HUMPHREYS: Thank you, Ann. We
20 will now proceed with the public's questions
21 and comments. Those individuals who wish to
22 speak should complete a registration card and
23 hand it to one of the staff. I will call the
24 speakers' names in the same order I receive the
25 registration cards. Please be certain to

1 clearly print your name and address in the
2 registration card, so that way we may contact
3 you if we need to respond to your comments and
4 questions more fully in writing.

5 When we call your name, come
6 forward, face the panel, and make yourself
7 comfortable. Before you begin your comments,
8 please state and spell your name for the
9 reporter. Speakers will be limited to five
10 minutes each. If time still remains after
11 everyone has had a chance to speak, I will
12 invite additional comments from those
13 individuals who have already spoken.

14 In fairness to the speaker, and in
15 order that we all can make the best use of this
16 time, I ask cooperation of the audience to
17 refrain from calling out. Comments from the
18 audience will only delay the proceedings and
19 will disrupt our ability to hear and accurately
20 record the speaker's statements.

21 Again, I would like to emphasize
22 that we are here tonight to listen to your
23 questions and comments on New Jersey's nuclear
24 response plan. Comments on more general
25 nuclear power issues or issues that relate to

1 licensing and regulatory matters at nuclear
2 power plants are not within the purview of this
3 meeting and, hence, are not appropriate and
4 will not be addressed.

5 Thank you. And we would now proceed
6 with our first commentator, or, commenter, I'm
7 sorry. Are there are any?

8 I don't have any cards, and I think,
9 since I see no one from the public that wants
10 to speak, we should temporarily adjourn, and
11 I'll check the time, until 6:30, if are we to
12 give anyone who might be on the road a chance
13 to get here. So, we'll temporarily adjourn and
14 go off the record until then. Thank you.

15 (Hearing recessed from 6:07 to 6:30
16 p.m.)

17 MR. HUMPHREYS: Okay, we're going to
18 reconvene. And unless someone in the audience
19 has questions, I don't see anyone from the
20 public that has arrived, we'll adjourn the
21 meeting. Are there any questions from anyone?

22 (Pause.)

23 Then we're going to adjourn the
24 hearing. Thank you for coming.

25 (Hearing concluded at 6:30 p.m.)

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