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## Minutes of the Board of Boiler Rules Meeting

Thursday, December 9, 2021  
10:00 a.m.  
(Virtual meeting)

### **Board Members:**

Dr. Ashwani Gupta, Chair  
Carey Dove  
Kevin Mulvey  
Jeffrey Pope  
Brian Wodka

### **DLI Staff**

Matt Helminiak, Commissioner  
Steven S. Lakin, Deputy Commissioner  
Mischelle, VanReusel, Regulatory & Grants Coordinator  
David Dearborn, Program Manager  
Steve Noonan, Chief Boiler Inspector  
Jenny Baker, Asst Attorney General  
Sarah Harlan, Asst Attorney General  
Tiffany Jones, Board Coordinator

### **Absent:**

John Dunnock  
Eric Harvey

### **Public Attendees:**

Timothy Allor, Operations Work Execution Coordinator  
Ken Greene, Sr., Regulatory Engineer  
Larry D. Smith, Regulatory Assurance Manager  
Paul Lenair, Hartford Steam Boiler Co., ANI Supervisor for Calvert Cliffs  
Sheldon Waiters, Engineer Programs Manager  
Quinn Vandermeersch, Mechanical Maintenance Supervisor  
Ron Warden, CHUBB

### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Dr. Ashwani Gupta at 10:05 a.m. The meeting was held virtually via Google Meet.

### **Roll Call**

Roll call was taken by Chairman Gupta for board members, Division of Labor and Industry staff, invited guests, and members from the public.

### **Approval of the Minutes**

Chairman Gupta invited everyone to review the minutes from the previous board meeting held on August 31, 2021.

**A motion was made by Brian Wodka to approve the minutes without correction and was seconded by Carey Dove. The motion was carried unanimously.**

### **Comments from the Commissioner**

Commissioner Helminiak thanked the board for their time and did not have any additional comments to share.

### **Calvert Cliffs Variance Request and Presentation**

Members from Exelon and their insurance provider, Hartford Steam Boiler Co., conducted an 18-minute presentation surrounding a variance request for the nuclear power plant at Calvert Cliffs. The Exelon presentation included details about Calvert Cliffs power plant's background, reason for the variance request, safety considerations, aspects of the container structure and proactive and preventative steps to avoid another variance request. Presentation is attached as Addendum 1. The Board then discussed the variance request.

**Ms. Dove made a motion to grant the Exelon's variance request, which was seconded by Mr. Wodka. The vote was unanimously approved.**

### **Subcommittee Report**

Board member Wodka reported for the subcommittee on the regulatory issue related to the term "existing" that the committee has been examining. The subcommittee is considering adding a date specific time frame to the subheading where the term "existing" boilers is referenced. This addition would not change any of the technical aspects of the COMAR regulation but merely provide a point of reference. The subcommittee is working on proposed regulatory text which it will present to the Board at the next meeting.

### **Program Update**

Chief Noonan reported on the current inventory of boilers and pressure vessels in the State as well as staffing levels. No citations or penalties were issued from March 2020 to August 2021 due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. The issuance of citations and penalties resumed August 1, 2021. A full report is attached, see Addendum 2.

### **Other Business**

There was no new business to discuss.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 11:14 a.m.