

July 18, 2013

Mr. Victor McCree
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Subject: Your letter of July 12 about my contentions of compounded federal agency lawbreaking - involving U.S. Office of Special Counsel (OSC) , U.S. Merit Systems Protection Board (MSPB), and Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) - putting Tennesseans and others at an unnecessarily increased risk of a nuclear disaster at a TVA nuclear power plant

Dear Mr. McCree,

Basically, as I understand your letter, you do not dispute my contentions about TVA, OSC and MSPB lawbreaking and their possible disastrous impact on public safety in Tennessee. To me, your letter evidences the justifiable fear of reprisal any federal agency employee - at NRC as well as TVA - should have when faced with evidence of federal agency lawbreaking.

So, let's say one TVA employee witnesses another TVA employee giving sexual favors or money to an NRC employee assigned to a TVA plant to curry the NRC's employee's favor or subject the NRC employee to extortion/blackmail about the performance of their duties in conducting oversight of TVA's nuclear facilities (this is what happened in Department of Interior several years ago - its employees took sex, money, and drugs from employees of its licensees, do we want to talk about FBI and Whitey Bulger?)

According to you, NRC could care less whether that witnessing TVA employee could make a protected disclosure to the Office of Special Counsel (OSC) about it per 5 U.S.C. section 1213(a). Would you have the same reaction if it were another NRC employee who was witness and wanted to make the disclosure to OSC per 5 U.S.C. section 1213(a) and OSC just said "Sorry, you work for NRC, and we just don't accept disclosures from NRC employees, if you don't like it, then complain about us to Regional Administrator McCree!"

According to you, NRC could care less whether the TVA Board and General Counsel are engaged in fundamental lawbreaking against every TVA employee in every TVA nuclear facilities licensed by NRC.

Nothing, absolutely nothing - except an apparent lack of moral courage - prevents the NRC from requesting the Office of Legal Counsel of the Department of Justice to lawfully resolve the matter.

So, no, I don't believe your other claims about "public safety." I only wish you were a licensed professional engineer (PE) so I could seek your licensing authority to review your inactions and reasons for them. NRC shuns requiring its engineers being PE's, apparently because it does not want them accountable to anyone but it for their vital responsibilities public safety - and then wonders why it has credibility issues with many stakeholders.

If you contend my claims about you/NRC and public health and safety at TVA nuclear power plants are untruthful or less than objective, I invite you to file a professional misconduct complaint against me with my PE licensing authority. Unlike you, I wish to be professionally accountable for my claims about unnecessarily increased dangers TVA's nuclear plants pose to public health and safety in Tennessee, instead of straining for reasons to shun such responsibility, as you seem to do.¹

Respectfully,

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¹ See <http://www.tn.gov/commerce/boards/ae/> for information about filing a professional misconduct complaint against me.