

# The Dose

The Merrick Group, Inc.

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## SUSQUEHANNA ADMIN SUPPORT

They say it takes a village & that couldn't be truer this season!! A big thank you to the admin support that got over 150 people on site across three contracts!! Stephanie heads up in-processing and new hire paperwork. Terri is our resident proctor, making sure everyone gets their quals. Frankie handles crew contact & prep work and Reese takes care of the travel to get everyone where they need to be. These four really worked as a team to make sure we hit the ground running at our biggest outage ever!! Thank you!!

## APRIL

SSS  
COMANCHE  
DC COOK  
MCGUIRE  
ANO  
BRUNNER ISLAND  
MONTOUR  
CALLAWAY  
OCONEE

## SUGAR POWER TRIVIA

How many  
MARSHMALLOW  
CHICKS  
would it take to  
match the power of  
ONE NUCLEAR  
REACTOR  
on Easter Day?

IF...



The average  
marshmallow chick  
is 29 calories  
(29 food calories = 29 kilocalories or  
.0337 kWk/chick)

AND...



One nuclear reactor  
produces  
1 million kWh  
of electrical energy  
per hour

THEN...



One reactor would  
produce 24 million kWh of  
clean electricity on Easter  
Day – the equivalent  
energy found in  
712,166,172  
marshmallow chicks!!



A big thank you to all the Merrick employees who will be spending Easter away from their families working an outage. We appreciate you!!

# CLEARANCE & TAGGING

The Clearance & Tagging Program provides safety and protection to people working on equipment that affects plant operations.

## Energy Isolation Device

A physical device that prevents the transmission or release of energy

People are protected by properly identifying and controlling ALL sources of hazardous energy supplying the equipment or system.

## Clearance

Document that specifies the EIDs that are used to provide protection

### What is Hazardous Energy?

Any energy, including mechanical, pneumatic, hydraulic, electrical, chemical, nuclear & thermal energies that could cause injury to an employee.

## CLEARANCE & TAGGING CREW BRIEF

The "Holder" conducts a brief to all Authorized Workers who will be covered under the clearance to ensure they understand how and why they are protected as well as the limitations of the protection provided by the clearance.

## CLEARANCE HOLDER

The administrative owner of the Clearance. Verifies adequacy, accuracy & effectiveness of the clearance.

## SIGNING ON TO THE CLEARANCE

Authorized Workers must attend the clearance brief prior to signing on the clearance. You must understand the adequacy of the clearance protection. It is the AW's responsibility to sign off the clearance at the completion of work or the end of shift, whichever comes first.

## AUTHORIZED WORKER

Any person that needs protection under a clearance.

ESOMS IS THE ELECTRONIC CLEARANCE

YOU CANNOT SIGN OTHERS ON/OFF CLEARANCES

No one is permitted to break the plane of any component until they have been briefed and signed on the clearance. That means if you are walking down a component, you cannot cross the barrier with your hand or body until/unless you are signed on the clearance.

# SUSQUEHANNA



Eric Laidacker cleans a chiller during online work



Condenser Crew: Brian Stackhouse, Nelson Livingston, Nate Rainier & Shermonde Fulwood



Night Off During Set Up: Mike Romanelli, Mike Abboud, Reese Everly & Dan Corcoran



HX Set Up Crew

## JUSTIN SAVAGE UPDATE



Justin is still in rehab but he is back in action and will be working SSES and Comanche this Spring!! Here is a note from Justin to all of you:  
"I would like to thank everyone and The Merrick Group for everything they have done to help me during my recovery. I'm so glad I made the decision 6 years ago to rejoin Merrick, a company that truly cares about their employees and coworkers who are more like family."

## SHOUT OUT



"First off, I would like to thank the Merrick Group for working safe, efficiently and error free for the duration of the outage. We appreciate the flexibility and responsiveness to the varying requests we have sent your way. And I look forward to working with you and your team in future evolutions."

Billy Kerr  
BNP Engineer

# GET TO KNOW...

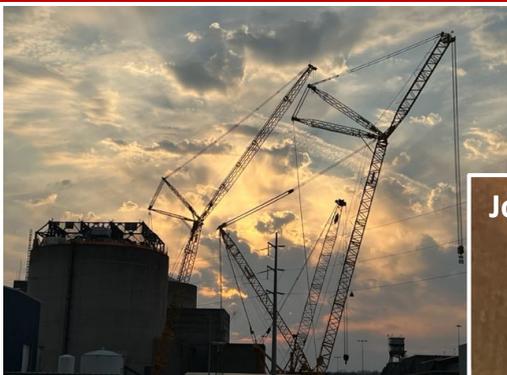
Location: Rhea County, TN  
Owner: TVA  
Reactor Type: PWR  
Cooling Source: Tennessee River  
Constructed: 1973 but not operational until 1996 (last reactor to be licensed in the US)  
Licensed through: 10/21/2055

## WATTS BAR NUCLEAR PLANT



Merrick currently holds contracts for HX maintenance and cooling tower.

## WATTS BAR



Joe Webb, Tyler McKeighan & Gary Lagana



Ryan Rondosh



Avery Green

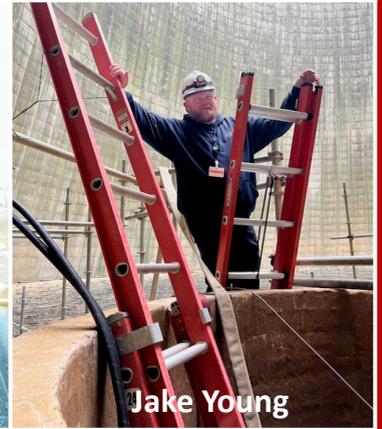


"As always guys, thank you for the safe quality work!"

David Price,  
Watts Bar Craft Support Supervisor



Dave Merrick



Jake Young