



# The Dose

The Merrick Group, Inc.

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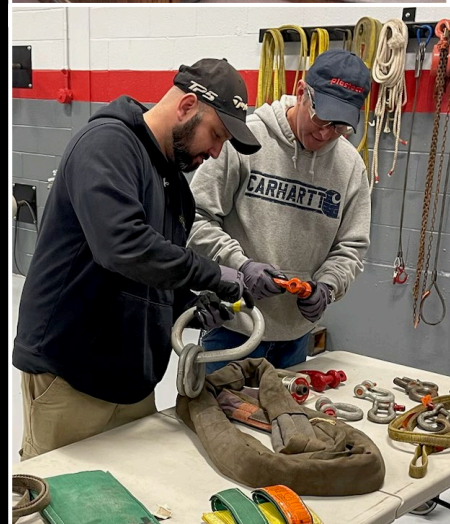
**SPRING 2023**



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COLUMBIA  
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BRUNNER ISLAND  
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PEAK  
WATTS BAR  
SEQUOYAH  
VOGTLE**

## REMINDER

All company communications are sent via email, including schedule changes, reporting instructions, etc. Please be sure to check your email often and ensure we have your most up to date email address on file!!



## TRAINING

Our focus at the first of the year, is making sure all key players on our rosters are trained and ready to go to work this season. Merrick believes in teaching in a hands-on capacity and nurturing our employees and their potential for growth and leadership. Maintenance training sessions have been completed in our Hazleton office and Eddy Current training will be held in our Denver office this week to support development in both divisions of the company. Thank you to everyone who participated in our 2023 training as both attendees and instructors. Working together and training our next generation of technicians will allow us to continue to gain contracts and complete our projects in a safe and timely manner.

# ARE YOU READY TO GO TO WORK THIS SEASON??

## YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION

Your address, phone number & email address need to be kept up to date with the home office. If you have renewed your DL, you need to provide us with a copy of your new DL. We use this info to submit you as authorized workers to the plants, so it is imperative our records match your current DL. Not having this info up to date could slow down your badging/in-processing.

## YOUR VEHICLE, BACKPACK & LUNCHBOX

Before you pack up for the new season, please be sure to check your vehicle, backpack and lunch box for items that are not permitted on site. Weapons, ammo, alcohol & contraband will all land you in hot water if they are found in your possession. Be sure to preform a self check before the season commences and each day on the job, to be sure you haven't put something that isn't permitted in your bag or vehicle.

## PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

If you are an ongoing outage worker with Merrick, then you should retain your hardhat from job to job and season to season. If you need a new hardhat for the upcoming season, please contact Mike Abboud. You also need steel toe or composite boots that are in good condition. Merrick provides gloves and safety glasses on site.

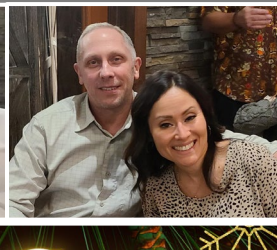
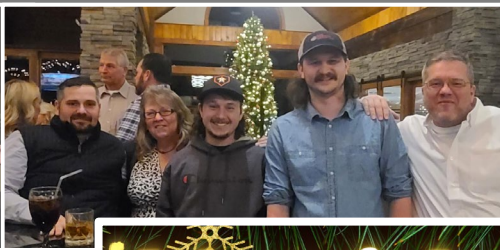
## DRUG & ALCOHOL TESTING

During in-processing, you will be tested for drugs & alcohol. You are subsequently expected to adhere to the FFD program and be prepared for random testing at any point on any given day. If you carry prescription medications with you to site, you must keep them in the prescription bottle. You may not combine multiple medications into one bottle for convenience.

**Make sure you take all the steps necessary to prepare for the Spring Season. If you have any questions about anything mentioned above, please reach out to any of our Project Managers. We want you to have the best season possible & that starts with being ready to go to work!!**

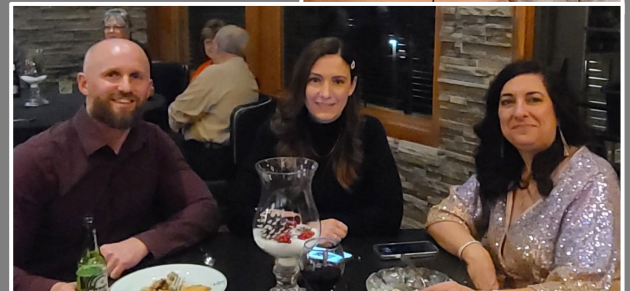






# Merrick Group

## Holiday Party



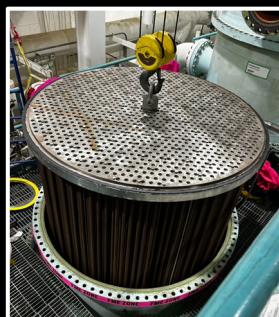
Thank you to everyone who joined us for a wonderful time at the Holiday Party!!

## CONFERENCE



Chris Speas and Steve Joiner attended & exhibited the Feedwater & Secondary Systems Reliability Users Group meeting in San Antonio in January!!

## MCGUIRE POLISHERS





# Congratulations

Recently, Jake Endres participated in the American Society for Nondestructive Testing (ASNT) recertification process to retain his nationally recognized ASNT Eddy Current Testing Level III certification.

Jake's successful recertification allows the Merrick Group to meet our commitment to NRC 10CFR Appendix B, Criterion IX, Control of Special Processes to ensure all Eddy Current services provided by the Merrick Group are controlled and accomplished by qualified personnel using qualified procedures in accordance with applicable codes, standards, specifications, criteria, and other special requirements.

Additionally, Jake's recertification allows him to solely act and retain full responsibility for the quality function associated with the Eddy Current Testing under the Merrick Group's Quality Assurance Program. Please join me in offering Jake a huge congratulations and thank you for his efforts!!

- Jeff Hart, Director of Quality-Nuclear



Jeff Hart &  
Jake Endres



## NEW

## PROJECTS

We are thrilled to announce that we have been awarded two new contracts for the Spring season.

In March, we will be sending a maintenance crew of 17 to Vogtle Nuclear Plant in Waynesboro, GA. Vogtle currently has two operating units and have units 3 & 4 under construction. These will be the first new units to be moved into operation in the U.S. in over 30 years!!

In May, we will be sending a maintenance crew of 13 and an eddy current crew of 31 to Columbia Generating Station in Richland, WA. Columbia currently has a single operating unit.

These new contracts are wonderful opportunities for us to continue to grow our customer base and to support individual growth of our technicians. We are excited to send some of our best and brightest to support these outages!!



The U.S. Dept. Of Energy released a major study in September 2022, that found that 80% of U.S. coal power plants evaluated could be converted to nuclear power plants. According to the report, reusing coal infrastructure for advanced reactor power plants could save around 15-35% in construction costs.

Do you think we will see this transition???

## DID YOU KNOW?

