



The Dose

The Merrick Group, Inc.

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TRAINING

Our focus 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 while nurturing our employees and their potential for growth and leadership. Maintenance training sessions were completed in our Hazleton office in January and Eddy Current training will be held in our Denver office the week of January 29th. The training is to support employee development and advancement across the company. Thank you to everyone who participated in our 2024 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.

WHERE ARE WE WORKING THIS MONTH?

ANO
Browns Ferry
Brunswick
Bruce Power
Calvert Cliffs
Steward Industrial
Brunner Island
Oconee
(Online ECT)
USCGS Calhoun
Wolf Creek
(Online ECT)

REMINDER

Please make sure we have the most up to date email on file. All company communications are sent via email - this includes reporting instructions, schedule changes, etc. Please check your email often and reply to the Project Manager to confirm receipt of the email.

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.

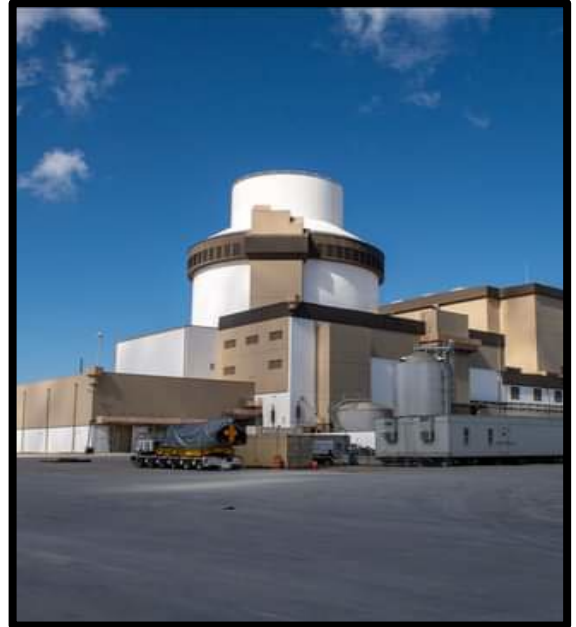
Make sure you take all the steps necessary to prepare for the Spring Season. If you have any questions about anything mentioned above, please reach out to any of our Project Managers. We want you to have the best season possible & that starts with being ready to go to work!





NUCLEAR NEWS

Unit 4 at Plant Vogtle is expected to enter commercial operation in the first quarter of 2024. This will be the second year in a row that they have welcomed a new AP1000 reactor to their operating fleet. Georgia Power loaded up the core with fuel last year and is now undergoing testing to bring the reactor online. Once in operation, Plant Vogtle will be the single largest source of clean power in the United States!



Holtec International is developing this advanced small modular reactor that can be deployed virtually anywhere in the world! The company announced plans to build its first two SMR-300 reactors at the Palisades Nuclear Power Plant site. They are currently working to bring the retired single-unit commercial reactor back online in 2025 at this site.

SMR-300 is an advanced light-water pressurized water reactor that is designed to produce 300 megawatts of electric power. It can be adapted to use air-cooled condensers on its secondary side to be deployed in the most arid regions of the world. It is receiving support through the U.S. Department of Energy's Advanced

Reactor Demonstration Program to advance the design of the plant. Holtec is aiming for deployment of the SMR plant in the mid-2030s to nearly double the nuclear capacity at the Palisades Power Plant site. Deploying the SMRs at their Oyster Creek site in New Jersey to generate clean hydrogen in the region is also under consideration.