



The Dose

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The Merrick Group, Inc.



Project Manager Brad James Nominated Contractors Robert Ackerman, Ryan Fritz and Barry Wise for Recognition Plus Award

Brad James, Project
Manager, recognized
contractors Robert

Ackerman, Ryan Fritz, and Barry Wise for their strong **questioning attitude** and commitment to safety while supporting the fire protection valve replacement project. During excavation, the crew identified unexpected concrete with red dye approximately six feet below grade and immediately placed the work in a safe condition. They promptly notified oversight, ensuring the condition was properly evaluated before proceeding. Their actions demonstrate **respect for unknown conditions and proper use of stop work authority**.



(L-R) Ryan Fritz, Robert Ackerman and Barry Wise were recognized for their questioning attitude and use of stop work authority

Members of The Merrick Group were recognized during the recent Susquehanna outage. Safety is at the core of Merrick's values—and this crew exemplifies it. We're proud of their dedication and performance.



WHERE ARE WE WORKING THIS MONTH?



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? DID YOU KNOW?



The Nine Mile Point Clean Energy Center is located on the shores of Lake Ontario in Scriba, New York. This plant is home to two boiling water reactors, generates 12% of the state's power, and shares land with the Fitzpatrick nuclear plant to power roughly 2 million homes. Nine Mile Point is the nation's longest operating nuclear plant. Operations began in 1969. Nine Mile Point is the only U.S. nuclear plant equipped to produce hydrogen which is used to cool the facility.

Source: U.S. Department of Nuclear Energy

STAYING FOCUSED

Life is full of distractions & it can be difficult to stay focused. All too often, we are physically present somewhere, but our focus and attention are on other things. It is important for all of us to realize when our focus, attention or mind is not fully present in the moment when we are completing a work task. This temporary lack of engagement can lead to safety issues and injuries to ourselves and those around us. Use the following tips to help you be more in the moment the next time you find your mind or attention wandering:

Take note of how well you are focusing at a given moment. From there, make the conscious choice to improve your attention to important matters.



Eliminate distractions from the physical work area. Things such as noise, clutter and equipment can have a large impact on your ability to pay attention to what you are doing.

When you are part of a discussion or receiving directions, make sure you are actively listening. You are responsible for the information being communicated.

With all the events going on around us, it's normal to get distracted from time to time. We all want to go home safe to our families at the end of the day, so do your part to stay focused!!

Make sure you are getting enough quality sleep. This can make all the difference in whether you are able to fully focus on the task at hand.



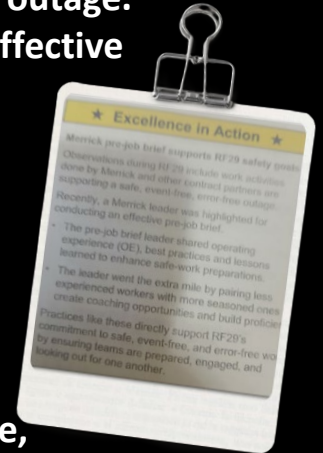
Shoutouts

Merrick pre-job brief supports RF29 safety goals at VC Summer

“Observations during RF29 include work activities done by Merrick and other contract partners are supporting a safe, event-free, error-free outage. Recently, a Merrick leader was highlighted for conducting an effective pre-job brief.

- The pre-job brief leader shared operating experience (OE), best practices and lessons learned to enhance safe-work preparations.
- The leader went the extra mile by pairing less experienced workers with more seasoned ones to create coaching opportunities and build proficiency.

Practices like these directly support RF29’s commitment to safe, event-free, and error-free work by ensuring teams are prepared, engaged, and looking out for one another.”



The Merrick M2R30 Team,
Outstanding work by the Merrick team throughout M2R30. Your focus on performing the work safely, with quality, and in alignment with station standards was evident from start to finish, and it did not go unnoticed. I especially want to recognize the team for stepping up and accepting the challenge of the emergent B VL re-work and the emergent Incore Cooling scope. Taking on unplanned work while maintaining the same level of discipline, ownership, and professionalism speaks volumes about the strength of your team.

Truly appreciate the partnership and the commitment demonstrated during this outage. This team is awesome, and McGuire values the support you provided to help make M2R30 successful.

Safe travels to everyone.

- Sean Kelly

Sr. Tech. Sup/Job Sponsor

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