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Wackenhut Expedites Corrective Actions as Investigation Continues

Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., September 26, 2007 – As a result of its ongoing investigation regarding inattentive security personnel at the Peach Bottom nuclear power plant, the Wackenhut Corporation has initiated immediate corrective actions.

“The goal of this investigation is to identify the root causes that allowed the incident to occur,” said Eric Wilson, President of Wackenhut Nuclear Services. “At this time, we believe the occurrence of the inattentiveness speaks to the greater need for continuous training designed to create and maintain a strong leadership team and a safety conscious work environment.”

Wackenhut is expediting the roll-out of a division-wide enhancement program developed several months ago by Wackenhut leadership. This program was established after a thorough assessment of the nuclear security industry and its culture. Specific enhancement initiatives being expedited include but are not limited to: 1) introduction of a new leadership certification program for all supervisors, 2) in-depth workplace culture assessments, and 3) leadership capacity assessments.

“Had it been in place, our enhancement program would have directly addressed the root causes of the inattentiveness. While we recognized the need to act almost a year ago and took action, in hindsight, we would have implemented the solutions earlier,” Wilson said.

As the investigation continues, initial indications are that fatigue is not the root cause of the inattentiveness. According to Wilson, the work hours for security personnel at Peach Bottom have averaged approximately 43 hours a week. Moreover, we have numerous procedures and guidelines in place to prevent inattentiveness which include the ability of security personnel to declare the fact that they are fatigued without facing adverse actions.

“As we proceed, we will follow the facts where they lead us, and continue to work with our clients in expediting the roll-out of corrective actions and enhancement initiatives. We will also maintain our standards by holding accountable any security personnel found responsible at the conclusion of the investigation,” Wilson said. “That said, we are confident that the people and practices we have in place assure the safety and security at all nuclear power plants that we safeguard.”

About the Wackenhut Corporation
The Wackenhut Corporation is the leading provider of security and security-related services in the U.S. With operations across the country, Wackenhut has the expertise and the resources to meet its customers’ requirements for quality security, training, consulting and investigative services. Wackenhut is the employer of choice to more than 38,000 men and women, many of whom have proudly served in the military or have had law enforcement careers. Additional information about Wackenhut is available on its Web site at www.wackenhut.com.

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