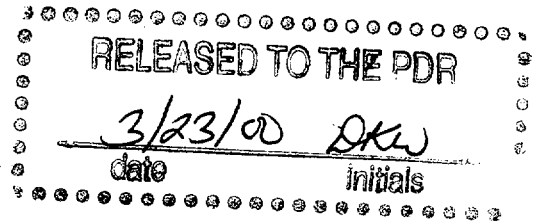




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SECRETARY

MEMORANDUM TO: William D. Travers
Executive Director for Operations

FROM: Annette L. Vietti-Cook, Secretary *Annette Vietti-Cook*

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - SECY-00-0010 - CALVERT CLIFFS
NUCLEAR POWER PLANT, UNITS 1 AND 2 - RENEWAL OF
FULL-POWER OPERATING LICENSE

The Commission has approved the staff's recommendation to authorize the Director of the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR) to renew the operating licenses for the Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant, Units 1 and 2, upon making the appropriate findings on safety and environmental issues, as described in SECY-00-0010.

The staff should remain vigilant in their efforts to involve stakeholders in the license renewal process and to pursue further process efficiencies. The staff should promptly notify the Commission should it find that resources are insufficient to effectively carry out its license renewal responsibilities.

The Commission has disapproved as premature the staff's recommendation to authorize the Director of NRR to issue renewed licenses in uncontested proceedings without the need to seek the Commission's specific approval. The Commission will reconsider delegating this authority to the Director of NRR after several more plants have gone through the license renewal process and the Commission has resolved the generic license renewal issues to be addressed in the final generic aging lessons learned (GALL) report.

The staff should continue the dialogue with Baltimore Gas & Electric Company on the merits of potentially cost-beneficial design improvements and report to the Commission on the results of that dialogue.

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