May 15, 2000

MEMORANDUM TO: William D. Travers

Executive Director for Operations

FROM: Annette L. Vietti-Cook, Secretary /RA/

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - SECY-00-0083 - PROPOSED RULE:

REVISION OF 10 CFR PART 55, "OPERATORS' LICENSES,"

REGARDING THE USE OF SIMULATION FACILITIES IN

OPERATOR LICENSING

The Commission has approved publication in the <u>Federal Register</u> of the notice of proposed rulemaking regarding the use of simulation facilities in operator licensing. The staff should revise the Congressional letters so that they clearly lay out: 1) how the proposed rule would affect licensees, 2) the impetus for the change, and 3) why, from a safety perspective, the NRC is comfortable with the proposed changes.

(EDO) (SECY Suspense: 6/16/00)

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