

# UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

SECRETARY

October 28, 2004

#### **COMMISSION VOTING RECORD**

DECISION ITEM:

SECY-04-0187

TITLE:

PROPOSED REVISION TO THE

**ENFORCEMENT POLICY TO ADDRESS** 

RESPONSIBILITIES FOR GRANTING A POWER

REACTOR NOTICE OF ENFORCEMENT

DISCRETION

The Commission (with all Commissioners agreeing) approved the subject paper as recorded in the Staff Requirements Memorandum (SRM) of October 28, 2004.

This Record contains a summary of voting on this matter together with the individual vote sheets, views and comments of the Commission.

Annette L. Vietti-Cook Secretary of the Commission

Attachments:

1. Voting Summary

2. Commissioner Vote Sheets

cc:

Chairman Diaz

Commissioner McGaffigan Commissioner Merrifield

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#### VOTING SUMMARY - SECY-04-0187

#### **RECORDED VOTES**

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CHRM. DIAZ	X		10/26/04
COMR. McGAFFIGAN	X	X	10/22/04
COMR. MERRIFIELD	X		10/21/04

#### **COMMENT RESOLUTION**

In their vote sheets, all Commissioners approved the staff's recommendation and some provided additional comments. Subsequently, the comments of the Commission were incorporated into the guidance to staff as reflected in the SRM issued on October 28, 2004.

### **NOTATION VOTE**

### **RESPONSE SHEET**

TO:	Annette Vietti-Cook, Secretary
FROM:	CHAIRMAN DIAZ
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NOED requests have been evaluated and decisions made jointly by the regional and NRR staffs. Thus, the distinction is unnecessary.

The Enforcement Policy revision specifies that the associated regional and headquarters staff will together determine the appropriateness of granting a requested NOED. If the NOED is determined to be appropriate, regional staff will complete the documentation process associated with granting the NOED.

PROVIDES THAT, FOR ALL POWER REACTOR NOED DETERMINATIONS, THE REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR, OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE, MAY ISSUELE A NOED The revision establishes a single focal point and therefore eliminates the need to AFTER CONSULTATION WITH CATEGORIES NOEDS as to regional- or headquarters-lead. This clarification will provide a more HEADQUARTER predictable, clear, and consistent process for licensees when requesting NRC to consider granting a NOED.

This policy revision, as well as other NOED process improvements, was discussed with representatives of the Nuclear Energy Institute (NEI) and other stakeholders at a public meeting with the NRC staff on July 14, 2004. The NRC plans on completely revising and reissuing its Part 9900 guidance later in the year. In addition to the Enforcement Policy revision, other process improvements include emphasizing that the license amendment process should be used in preference to NOEDs whenever possible and developing improved guidance to address the NOED request requirement to demonstrate no net increase in radiological risk. In addition, other concurrent improvements to the NOED process will result in most NOEDs having follow-up license amendments regardless of the NOED duration.

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