May 11, 2009

MEMORANDUM TO: R. W. Borchardt

Executive Director for Operations

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

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS – SECY-09-0005 – OPTIONS FOR

ACCELERATING THE COMPLETION OF THE VARIOUS FIRE

PROTECTION TASKS AND APPLICABLE BUDGET

IMPLICATIONS

The Commission has approved the staff's recommendation (Option 2) to expedite the review of National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 805 license amendment requests by securing two full-time equivalents (FTE) and 1.3 million dollars of additional resources in FY 2011.

A majority of the Commission did not agree to reduce the enforcement discretion period for licensees who are continuing to wait to adopt NFPA 805, and the timeframe to submit licensing actions from 36 to 24 months. Therefore, the proposed actions are not approved.

When the staff has completed the ongoing pilots and the pilot plants have successfully completed the transition to NFPA 805, the staff should document the results in a paper to the Commission. Such a paper should include any lessons-learned to be incorporated into the larger tranche of license amendment request reviews.

cc: Chairman Klein

Commissioner Jaczko Commissioner Lyons Commissioner Svinicki

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