May 12, 2010

MEMORANDUM TO: R. W. Borchardt

Executive Director for Operations

FROM: Annette Vietti-Cook, Secretary /RA/

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS – BRIEFING ON THE FUEL CYCLE

OVERSIGHT PROCESS REVISIONS, 9:30 A.M., THURSDAY, APRIL 29, 2010, COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE ROOM, ONE WHITE FLINT NORTH, ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND (OPEN

TO PUBLIC ATTENDANCE)

The Commission was briefed by a stakeholder panel and the NRC staff on the Fuel Cycle Oversight Process revisions.

The staff should provide the Commission a concise paper comparing Integrated Safety Analyses (ISAs) for fuel cycle facilities and Probabilistic Risk Assessments (PRAs) for reactors, including a critical evaluation of how ISAs differ from PRAs. The comparison should, at a minimum, address the end states (e.g., public health effects, release of hazardous material), accident sequences leading to the end states (including hardware failures, human error, physical and chemical phenomena, fire, and plume dispersion), quantification of the accident sequences (including hardware failures, human error contributions, and uncertainties in physical and chemical phenomena), and importance measures. This paper should be submitted by October 29, 2010 to the ACRS for its review. The staff should report back to the Commission if production of this report places a significant resource impact on the staff and request an appropriate extension of time.

Additional Commission guidance on the Fuel Cycle Oversight Process will be provided in a Staff Requirements Memorandum in response to SECY-10-0031.

cc: Chairman Jaczko

Commissioner Svinicki Commissioner Apostolakis Commissioner Magwood Commissioner Ostendorff

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