June 23, 1999

MEMORANDUM TO: William D. Travers

Executive Director for Operations

FROM: Annette Vietti-Cook, Secretary /s/

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - BRIEFING ON PART 50 DECOMMISSIONING ISSUES, 1:30 P.M.,

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 1999, COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE ROOM, ONE WHITE

FLINT NORTH, ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND (OPEN TO PUBLIC ATTENDANCE)

The Commission was briefed by the NRC staff and Nuclear Energy Institute on Part 50 Decommissioning Issues.

The staff should consider an integrated, risk-informed decommissioning rule versus individual rulemakings (e.g., those discussed in SECY-98-253, SECY-98-258, SECY-99-008) to address financial protection requirements, emergency preparedness, safeguards, backfit, fitness-for-duty, staffing, etc. for plants that are being decommissioned. The staff should report on the viability of the integrated approach and, if viable, outline its plans for pursuing such a rule.

(EDO) (SECY Suspense: 6/30/99)

A coordinated report should be provided on an annual basis and will replace the separate reports on decommissioning activities that have previously been provided to the Commission by the separate offices.

(EDO) (SECY Suspense: 1/21/2000)

cc: Chairman Jackson

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Commissioner Diaz

Commissioner McGaffigan

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