April 13, 2000

MEMORANDUM TO: William D. Travers

Executive Director for Operations

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

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - SECY-00-0011 - EVALUATION OF

THE REQUIREMENT FOR LICENSEES TO UPDATE THEIR

INSERVICE INSPECTION AND INSERVICE TESTING

PROGRAMS EVERY 120 MONTHS

The Commission has disapproved the staff's recommendation and has instead approved Option 2 of SECY-00-0011, which would maintain the current requirement that licensees update their inservice inspection and inservice testing programs every 10 years to the latest edition of the ASME Code that is incorporated by reference in NRC regulations. The staff should improve the timeliness of its review and endorsement process for future ASME Code editions and addenda.

cc: Chairman Meserve

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