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UNITED STATES  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

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December 22, 1999

MEMORANDUM TO: Chairman Meserve  
Commissioner Dicus  
Commissioner Diaz  
Commissioner McGaffigan  
Commissioner Merrifield

*Approved with comments*

FROM: Jesse L. Funches *Jesse Funches*  
Chief Financial Officer

*Edie Doffey*

SUBJECT: DRAFT NUCLEAR REACTOR SAFETY CHAPTER OF THE STRATEGIC PLAN

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On July 7, 1999, I provided the Commission with the draft Nuclear Reactor Safety chapter of the Strategic Plan and asked approval to release the document to stakeholders for public comment and in preparation for the August stakeholder's workshop (COMSECY-99-024). The August 2, 1999, Staff Requirements Memorandum (SRM) on COMSECY-99-024 approved seeking stakeholder comments and directed the staff to address a number of issues concerning that draft chapter.

On October 21, 1999, I provided the Commission with a summary of the stakeholder comments on the draft Nuclear Reactor Safety chapter and the staff responses to those comments as well as to the items in the August 2, 1999, SRM. At that time, I had indicated that we planned to provide the revised draft Nuclear Reactor Safety chapter along with the complete draft strategic plan to the Commission in February 2000. However, we are able to provide the revised draft Nuclear Reactor Safety chapter of the Strategic Plan (Attachment 1) earlier than anticipated. This draft reflects revisions made to respond to stakeholder comments and items in the August 2, 1999, SRM. In developing this revised draft, the staff also considered progress on the Nuclear Waste Safety and Nuclear Materials Safety chapters in further refining strategies and measures for all four performance goals.

The Executive Council has reviewed the draft Nuclear Reactor Safety chapter and has approved its transmittal to the Commission. As with the Nuclear Waste Safety and Nuclear Materials Safety chapters, the Commission need not formally endorse the Nuclear Reactor Safety chapter until it is provided as part of the formal update of the entire strategic plan.

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COMSECY-99-036

November 23, 1999

NOTE: Unless directed otherwise staff plans to provide to Agreement States on Tuesday, November 30, 1999

MEMORANDUM TO: Chairman Meserve  
Commissioner Dicus  
Commissioner Diaz  
Commissioner McGaffigan  
Commissioner Merrifield

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SUBJECT: DRAFT NUCLEAR WASTE SAFETY CHAPTER OF THE STRATEGIC PLAN

On October 21, 1999, I provided the Commission with our revised schedule for the development of the FY 2000-2005 Strategic Plan. Attachment 1 is the draft Nuclear Waste Safety chapter of the Strategic Plan. This chapter reflects the results of facilitated sessions, with senior executives responsible for the conduct of the Nuclear Waste Safety programs, to identify performance goals, strategies, measures and metrics. In developing this draft chapter, the staff also considered stakeholder comments on the draft Nuclear Reactor Safety chapter that were also appropriate to the Nuclear Waste Safety program. The group which developed the Nuclear Waste Safety chapter, led by Carl Paperiello, will be scheduling a briefing for commissioner assistants to provide an overview of the staff's efforts and answer questions.

The Executive Council has reviewed the draft Nuclear Waste Safety chapter and has approved its transmittal to the Commission. The Commission need not formally endorse the Nuclear Waste Safety chapter until it is provided as part of the formal update of the entire strategic plan (see schedule, Attachment 2). However, since the staff will continue to devote attention to improving the Nuclear Waste Safety chapter and harmonizing it with all of the mission chapters, we would appreciate early Commission feedback on significant issues of concern regarding performance goals, strategies, measures and metrics.

Since the Agreement States have regulatory responsibility for aspects of waste management, we plan to begin involving them in the development of this chapter. Unless directed otherwise, the Office of State Programs will provide Attachment 1 to the Agreement States on Tuesday, November 30, 1999, noting that it is undergoing Commission review. We will tell them that if they wish to comment, we must have their comments by December 31, 1999. We will also tell them that the NRC will publish a complete draft Strategic Plan for public comment in the spring, and that we intend to invite them to a meeting after that to discuss comments they may have on that document. We also plan to handle the draft Nuclear Materials Safety chapter in the same way.

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