

June 12, 1997

MEMORANDUM TO: L. Joseph Callan  
Executive Director for Operations

FROM: John C. Hoyle, Secretary /s/

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - SECY-97-101 - PROPOSED  
RULE, 10 CFR SECTION 50.76, "REPORTING  
RELIABILITY AND AVAILABILITY INFORMATION FOR  
RISK-SIGNIFICANT SYSTEMS AND EQUIPMENT"

The Commission has approved the staff's recommendation to accept the voluntary approach proposed by NEI for obtaining reliability and availability data for key safety systems.

The staff should continue to work with industry representatives to improve the content of the voluntary data. These improvements should seek to expand the voluntary program to minimize 1) uncertainty in data and 2) the use of compensatory measures to derive needed parameter estimates. The staff should periodically update the Commission on its efforts to work with industry to address shortfalls and limitations in the data, and advise the Commission on whether the voluntary approach remains a viable method of meeting regulatory needs. This periodic update may be incorporated, as appropriate, in the quarterly updates to the PRA implementation plan.

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(SECY Suspense: 9/26/97)

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SECY NOTE: THIS SRM, SECY-97-101, AND THE COMMISSION VOTING RECORD CONTAINING THE VOTE SHEETS OF ALL COMMISSIONERS WILL BE MADE PUBLICLY AVAILABLE 5 WORKING DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THIS SRM.

cc: Chairman Jackson  
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