December 16, 1997

MEMORANDUM TO: L. Joseph Callan

Executive Director for Operations

FROM: John C. Hoyle /s/

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - SECY-97-240 - PROPOSED

RULEMAKING ACTIVITY PLAN

This is to advise you that the Commission has not objected to the proposed Rulemaking Activity Plan (RAP), subject to the general comments provided below and the specific comments related to individual rulemakings in the attachment.

Regarding the exemption information presented in the SECY paper, the staff should provide additional information to subcategorize the exemption requests which have been granted to indicate how many have a related rulemaking being planned and how many do not. Once a trend in exemption requests is detected that could be better handled by rulemaking, the staff should promptly inform Also, based on the April 15, 1997 SRM on the Commission. COMSECY-96-061 (Risk-Informed, Performance-Based Regulation (DSI-12)), a review of the Regulatory Review Group results was to be incorporated into the semiannual update of the RAP. The staff should ensure that the next update includes this information. The staff should use the RAP, where appropriate, as a vehicle for providing NRC licensees and other stakeholders with clear and accurate information about - and a meaningful role in - the NRC's regulatory program.

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