

December 9, 1996

MEMORANDUM TO THE FILE

FROM: John C. Hoyle, Secretary /s/

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - BRIEFING BY DOE ON
INTERNATIONAL NUCLEAR SAFETY PROGRAM, 1:30
P.M., THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1996,
COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE ROOM, ONE WHITE
FLINT NORTH, ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND (OPEN TO
PUBLIC ATTENDANCE)

The Commission was briefed by the DOE on their international nuclear safety program. The Commission advised DOE to 1) ensure risk reduction metrics are applied to their exit strategy, 2) ensure that nuclear liability and legislation issues are addressed, 3) ensure regulatory agencies retain independence and necessary capabilities, 4) ensure efforts fully utilize international cooperation mechanisms, 5) use caution in providing turnkey mechanisms for training and maintenance enhancements, and 6) be certain that the life extension issue is fully considered.

The Commission also expressed a desire for closer cooperation between the two agencies in working on these issues and suggested that an MOU may be appropriate.

There were no requirements identified for staff action.

cc: Chairman Jackson
Commissioner Rogers
Commissioner Dicus
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