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May 6, 1993

MEMORANDUM FOR: James M. Taylor
Executive Director for Operations

FROM: Samuel J. Chilk, Secretary /s/

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - BRIEFING ON ASSESSMENT
OF NRC INSPECTION PROGRAM, 3:30 P.M., FRIDAY,
APRIL 23, 1993, COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE
ROOM, ONE WHITE FLINT NORTH, ROCKVILLE,
MARYLAND (OPEN TO PUBLIC ATTENDANCE)

The Commission was briefed by the NRC staff on their assessment of the NRC reactor inspection program. The Commission requested that the staff consider the following questions in evaluating the actions to be taken to enhance the reactor inspection program.

- o How can the agency determine if inspections are shifting to focus more on safety rather than compliance?
- o Based on the proposed reduction of about 5 percent in the inspection hours planned for FY94 as compared to FY93, how is impact going to be measured, taking into account the program efficiencies which will also be incorporated?
- o How would the impact be measured if the resource levels were varied up to plus or minus 10 percent?

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(SECY Suspense: 9/3/93)

The Commission suggested that the utility corporate president or board of directors be informed when a plant(s) has been identified at a Senior Management Meeting as trending toward placement on the problem plant list.

cc: The Chairman
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