

October 20, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR: James M. Taylor  
Executive Director for Operations

FROM: Samuel J. Chilk, Secretary /s/

SUBJECT: SECY-92-271 - APPROPRIATE RANDOM DRUG TESTING  
RATE FOR THE NUCLEAR POWER INDUSTRY

The Commission (with all Commissioners agreeing) has approved the staff recommendation to pursue Option 5. The staff should prepare a change to 10 CFR Part 26 for Commission review and approval to permit licensees to randomly test their employees at a rate equal to 50 percent, and maintain the 100 percent random testing rate for contractors and vendors.

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(SECY Suspense: 12/4/92)

Although not objecting to Option 5, as described above, Commissioner de Planque would have preferred to await the results of the staff's ongoing reexamination of the justification for imposing random drug testing on all licensee employees with unescorted access to the protected area so as to include in this rulemaking any amendments to Part 26 the staff might recommend as a result of that reexamination. She would also have preferred that the staff consider whether there are certain positions critical to the safe operation of a nuclear power plant which should be excluded from any reduction of the random testing rate as has been suggested.

cc: The Chairman  
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