

March 29, 1991

MEMORANDUM FOR: James M. Taylor  
Executive Director for Operations

FROM: Samuel J. Chilk, Secretary /S/

SUBJECT: SECY-89-319 - IMPLEMENTATION OF THE U.S.  
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY'S HIGH-LEVEL  
WASTE DISPOSAL STANDARDS

The Commission (with all Commissioners agreeing) has decided to close out this paper without further action. The staff should continue to pursue the actions described in SECY-91-040, Interactions with EPA Related to EPA's Remanded High-Level Waste Standards.

Additionally, the staff should provide the Commission a paper<sup>1</sup> discussing how the staff proposes to deal with the uncertainties associated with determining compliance with the EPA standard in a timeframe that will permit the Commission to evaluate this issue before commenting on the draft EPA standard.

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(SECY Suspense: As appropriate)

cc: Chairman Carr  
Commissioner Rogers  
Commissioner Curtiss  
Commissioner Remick  
OGC  
GPA

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SECY NOTE: THIS SRM AND SECY-89-319 WILL BE MADE PUBLICLY  
AVAILABLE 10 WORKING DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THIS  
SRM

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<sup>1</sup> existing requirement from SRM dated 12/14/89, Briefing on Implementation of the EPA's HLW Disposal Standards