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UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555

September 29, 1989

MEMORANDUM FOR: James M Taylor

Acting Executive Director for Operations

FROM: Samuel J. Chilk, Secretary

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - BRIEFING ON STATUS OF

MAINTENANCE INITIATIVES AND SCHEDULE, 9:00 A.M., FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1989, COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE ROOM, ONE WHITE FLINT NORTH, ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND (OPEN TO PUBLIC

ATTENDANCE)

The Commission was briefed by the staff on the status of maintenance initiatives for nuclear power plants and the schedule for completion of activities.

The Commission request that the staff not forward its recommendation on the revised policy statement on maintenance at nuclear power plants until it has addressed the comments by ACRS on the same subject. ACRS comments are schedule to be

submitted to the Commission by October 11, 1989. The paper should also incorporate enforcement criteria on maintenance activities, as requested in SRM on SECY-89-143.

(EDO) (SECY Suspense: 10/20/89)

The commission also request the staff to recommend to the Commission proposed criteria to be used in determining when industry progress in the area of maintenance would be sufficient to obviate a need for ruleamaking.

(EDO) (SECY Suspense: 4/17/90

Chairman Carr requested the staff to be more definitive in identifying the balance of plant sistems to be include in the maintenance programs. He indicated that description in the regulatory guide such as "strutures, systems, and components whose failure would significantly impact plant safety or security," are to general and subject to differing interpretations. He encouraged the staff to continue to assure that the regulatory guide on maintenance at nuclear power plants is of high quality.

cc: Chairman Carr
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