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THANKS TO ALL

TWG Members, Managers, Workshop Participants and Support Staff,

I wanted to thank you all for your time, dedication, and support throughout the ongoing TWG effort and during the Workshop last week. Thanks to you, we were able to complete the draft study on a complex technical issue and provide input to a SECY paper in a very short period of time. After numerous internal meetings, management and Commission TA briefings, interactions with the industry, and productive brainstorming sessions for the Workshop, with your support, we managed to meet our deadlines, as well as, provide an effective exchange of information to all of our stakeholders both internally and externally.

We have completed two of the major Phases in this project, which include Phase 1 - performing the technical review, issuing our draft technical study, and providing input to the SECY paper, and Phase 2 - the Technical Workshop with our stakeholders. We are also well into Phase 3 - ITQR process, where we are requesting independent, technical, quality review from national laboratories and other technical organizations, of the draft technical study and the information that we collected from the workshop. Phase 3 may also include more meetings with industry and other stakeholders as a result of the Workshop. Then, everything will come together in Phase 4 once these actions are complete.

As many of you may know, I am starting a new position today as the Senior Enforcement Coordinator for NRR. Diane Jackson (x8548) will be taking the lead for the TWG as of today, July 19, 1999. Diane has been a key technical team member and she has been assisting me throughout this project. She also works for George Hubbard (Section Chief) and John Hannon (SPLB Branch Chief) in DSSA. Tanya Eaton (x3610) will be leading the ITQR part of Phase 3, so she will be overseeing the technical monitors for the contract work. Tanya works for Steve West (Section Chief), and she is also in SPLB.

I would like to thank my management for allowing me this opportunity to lead such a diverse and knowledgeable group of individuals, and I would like to thank the TWG team members for supporting me in this position.

On behalf of the TWG, I would also like to thank the PMs in Decommissioning Projects (D. Dudley, B. Huffman, P. Ray, D. Wheeler, M. Webb, and others), who have supported us in every step of this project from coordinating the meetings, to turning the slides, to interfacing with M. Meisner and the public, to hauling all the supplies to the Workshop for us.

I would also like to thank S. Abrahams, D. Baxley, and T. Harris for supporting the Workshop on such short notice. This project has really been a team effort across the divisions. And, of course, we thank Chip Cameron for using his expert facilitating skills at our Workshop last week. If it wasn't for Chip, we would probably still be at the workshop today.

Thank you all,

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