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Stu,

As I mentioned in our recent phone call, the specific date on which the Commission will authorize the release of the TWG report is still being brokered by SECY between the various offices...Ultimately, SECY will inform us of a date the Commission is comfortable with releasing the paper...as a Memo, it will be the staff (NRR in fact) that actually executes the mechanics of the release (in terms of changing ADAMS profile to 'Publicly Available', distributing hardcopies internally and externally)...so in terms of actually controlling the release, it will be within staff control....

With regard to the Comm Plan, we need to continue to work apace to pull together to be able to distribute to internal stakeholders including Commission offices. Some feed back from Commission offices is a request that q/a's touch on the following:

1) a plain language explanation of Table 3.7-1, 2) why immediate NRC regulatory action is not necessary to address previously granted exemptions that were based on the premise that zirc fires could not occur (EP, security, and insurance - pages 4-13 through 4-16), and 3) implications of the technical study on dry cask storage/ISFSIs (page 4-15).

UPDATE: Since we talked, OCA has received a call from Sen Snowe (Maine) staff saying that they understand a local Maine paper is preparing an article on the report and may emphasize its perceived impacts on spent fuel storage (dry?) at Maine Yankee....it is believed that they may do this on the basis of the Lochbaum e-mail and without seeing the report itself...Sen Snowe staff wanted to have TWG if it was publicly available...OCA will communicate that report is not yet public but that it may be so in the near future...I will communicate the Snowe interest to SECY to assist their efforts in brokering the release of the paper..

Thanks,

Joe

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