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Subject: SECY RESOURCE NEEDS - LSS RELATED

SECY requirements for LSS related activities during the fiscal year 1990 - 1994 time-frame are as follows:

<u>FY 1990</u>	<u>FY 1991</u>	<u>FY 1992</u>	<u>FY 1993</u>	<u>FY 1994</u>
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A justification statement is attached.

Attachment:
As stated

SECY STAFFING

LSS Operations: 1990 - 1994

The LSS will bring about a significant increase in SECY workload during the planning period in two specific areas. First, based on studies performed for DOE for sizing the LSS and on NRC staff predictions, the Public Document Room (PDR) will experience a substantial growth in the number of HLW documents being placed in the public file and will become a central facility for public access to the LSS. Second, the Docketing and Service Branch (DSB) will be required to support activities associated with the establishment and operation of the Pre-License Application License Board or PALB.

Public Document Room

Beginning in FY 1989, with Commission approval of the LSS rule (10 CFR 2, Subpart J), the NRC staff will begin preparing new and previously existing HLW-related documents for entry into the LSS. The actual entry of the documents into the LSS will begin in FY 1992; however, during FY 1990 and FY 1991 the staff will be releasing larger numbers of HLW documents to the public file in the PDR.

In FY 1991, SECY will set aside and maintain a separate area of the PDR exclusively devoted to servicing the public's use of documents concerning NRC's high-level waste activities. During FY 1992, the public file will be further expanded and the loading and testing of the LSS will begin, including placement of ADP terminals in the PDR for access by members of the public to the system. Based upon current DOE/IRM/NMSS data, the PDR will require one additional FTE in each year beginning in FY 1991 to support these LSS/HLW activities.

Docketing

Beginning in FY 1992, the PALB will be established in accordance with Section 2.1010 of the LSS rule to deal with the following types of disputes: entry of documents into the LSS; the LSS Administrator's decision on DOE's compliance with its obligations under the rule; discovery disputes; access to the LSS; and disputes relating to design and development of the system. SECY will be required to establish, service and maintain a hard copy pre-licensing docket beginning with the establishment of the PALB and continuing until the license application is docketed in 1995. A resource increase in the latter part of the 5 year period (1 FTE in 1993) will be required to support activities directly associated with the PALB. Additional resources may be required in FY 1994, but there is insufficient information to justify a further increase at this time.

The Docketing function is presently staffed at 2 FTE, having been cut in FY 1989 to absorb the 1 FTE reduction imposed on SECY for that year. This staffing level is too low to support the current activity and will not be able to take on the new workload of the pre-licensing HLW docket in the 1992-1993 time frame. SECY has maintained the viability of the Branch only through the use of overtime, through the detail of one individual from elsewhere in SECY, and through the assistance of two other individuals on short term assignment from other offices. Additional full time permanent resources will clearly be required to support activities associated with the LSS beginning in FY 1993.

Other

During the 5 year planning period, no increases are shown for other SECY activities in support of Commission and Licensing Board/Appeal Board operations. However, additional resources may be needed near the end of the time frame to support greater workloads associated with standard design certifications, license renewals and decommissioning cases.