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MEMORANDUM TO:

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UNITED STATES

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

December 23, 1998

FROM:

SUBJECT:

STAFF REQUIREMENTS - SECY-98-245 - RULEMAKING PLAN - PROTECTION AGAINST DISCRETE RADIOACTIVE PARTICLE (DRP) EXPOSURES (10 CFR PART 20)

The Commission has approved the staff's proposal to develop a rulemaking to amend Part 20 to address discrete radioactive particles, including a 45-day comment period for the Agreement States. The Commission has agreed with the approach to include a constraint value of 300 rads, but disapproved the proposed dose limit of 1000 rads to the skin. The dose limit should be set at 500 rads to be consistent with the draft recommendations of the National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements (NCRP). The staff should inform the Commission of the NCRP final recommendations.

The proposed and final rule should be provided to the Commission for review and approval. 199000178 (EDD suspense: 3/23/99)

The proposed amendments to section 20.1201, "Occupational Dose Limits" should be assigned ga compatibility category.

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