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MEMORANDUM TO: William D. Travers  
Executive Director for Operations

FROM: Annette L. Vietti-Cook, Secretary **/RA/**

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - BRIEFING ON RISK-INFORMING  
SPECIAL TREATMENT REQUIREMENTS, 1:00 P.M., FRIDAY,  
JULY 20, 2001, COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE ROOM, ONE  
WHITE FLINT NORTH, ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND (OPEN TO  
PUBLIC ATTENDANCE)

The Commission was briefed by the NRC staff and representatives of South Texas Project and the Nuclear Energy Institute on risk-informing the special treatment requirements of 10 CFR Part 50. At the meeting, the Commission asked NEI to provide an update of the status of industry peer reviews of probabilistic risk assessments (PRAs) for commercial nuclear power plants.

The NRC staff should engage stakeholders early in the process of rulemaking for 10 CFR 50.44, 50.46, and 50.69, and 10 CFR Part 52. The staff may share draft rule language with all stakeholders in advance of the proposed rules. Any documents that the staff makes available should be made available to all stakeholders concurrently (e.g., through the NRC Web Page).

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