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February 18, 1994

MEMORANDUM FOR: James M. Taylor, Executive Director for Operations
FROM: Samuel J. Chilk, Secretary
SUBJECT: SECY-93-326 - RECONSIDERATION OF NUCLEAR POWER PLANT SECURITY REQUIREMENTS ASSOCIATED WITH AN INTERNAL THREAT

This is to advise you that the Commission (with all Commissioners agreeing) has approved your recommendations subject to the following:

- 1) In regard to relaxation of vital area access controls, the Commission favors the staff's Option 3 with one modification. It is not necessary to treat vital area doors that the licensees may determine necessary to delay an external threat differently than other vital area doors. Nor should the licensee's determination of which vital area doors are necessary to delay an external threat be subject to NRC's review and approval as a condition for allowing vital area doors to normally be unlocked. Since licensees will be expected to have the capability to remotely lock vital area doors when needed, and generate an alarm if a vital area door is opened without a keycard, there will be sufficient protection against an external threat even if the doors are normally unlocked.
2) One sentence in Enclosure 6 to SECY-93-326 states that sabotage risk is reduced when the plant is shutdown. This statement should be deleted since it is not needed and may lead to misinterpretation of accident risks at shutdown.

SECY NOTE: THIS SRM, SECY-93-326, AND THE VOTE SHEETS OF ALL COMMISSIONERS WILL BE MADE PUBLICLY AVAILABLE IN 10 WORKING DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THIS SRM.

The staff should proceed with rulemaking to implement the recommendations in the paper and forward the amendments to the Commission when ready.

~~(EDO)~~ (NRR)

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Commissioner de Planque did not agree with the proposals to respond only to a certain percentage of alarms, or to respond to a vital area alarm only if there is an unresolved protected area alarm (or intrusion).

cc: The Chairman  
Commissioner Rogers  
Commissioner Remick  
Commissioner de Planque  
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Office Directors, Regions, ACRS, ACNW, ASLBP (via E-Mail)

Commissioners' comments or consent should be provided directly to the Office of the Secretary by COB Thursday, December 16, 1993.

Commission Staff Office comments, if any, should be submitted to the Commissioners NLT Thursday, December 9, 1993, with an information copy to the Office of the Secretary. If the paper is of such a nature that it requires additional review and comment, the Commissioners and the Secretariat should be apprised of when comments may be expected.

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