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NOTE TO:

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SUBJECT:

Meeting Summary - Weekly FSU Status Meeting, June 15, 2000

## Purpose:

The purpose of this note is to document the results of the weekly FSU Status Meeting, held on Thursday, June 15, 2000. A list of attendees is included as an Attachment.

Discussion:

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from the EPA since meeting with OIP representatives on April 7, 2000. Jack Ramsey said that during a meeting he attended at DOS last week, there was some discussion of increased participation on the part of DOE in this project. It was agreed that EPA would be contacted for further information.

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Gordon Fowler mentioned that during a meeting he attended with Commissioner Diaz and Leonid Bolshov of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Commissioner Diaz asked the NRC staff for a briefing on the status of nuclear safety assistance activities with Russia. Janice asked Gordon to prepare a two page summary first that addresses the information that Commissioner Diaz has asked for. Janice will then consider how best to respond to Commissioner Diaz's request, keeping in mind that a briefing on this subject will most likely be of interest to the other-Commissioners as well. Janice further stated that all of the desk officers should consider preparing short summaries of the status of activities in those countries for which they are responsible, annually.

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Jack Ramsey gave a short summary of the TOPS report, and mentioned several alternatives for follow up action. He agreed to contact Barry Mendlesohn in the Office of Nuclear Materials Safety and Safeguards (NMSS), the U.S. representative to the international working group that developed the report, to find out what, if any, response is requested.

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Jack also asked if the group was aware of any further developments in the Core Conversion and MPC&A Programs. Though additional funds have been made available for the MPC&A program, little progress has been made on a new work plan. Jack added that after returning from Armenia, he plans to arrange a staff briefing on the status of work at the BN350 facility in Kazakhstan.

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Janice Dunn Lee mentioned a recent meeting she held with Jim Turner of DOE who recently replaced Terry Lash, and said that she plans to invite Mr. Turner to the NRC to discuss NRC's nuclear safety assistance to the FSU.

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