May 8, 2002

MEMORANDUM TO: William D. Travers

**Executive Director for Operations** 

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

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - SECY-02-0060 - PROPOSED

POLICY ON ENHANCING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN NRC

**MEETING** 

The Commission has approved the proposed revisions to the public meeting policy subject to the comments provided below. The staff should publish the revised policy and begin implementing the guidance. After one year of implementation, the staff should seek public comments on the policy.

- 1. On page 5, 1<sup>st</sup> full paragraph, revise line 2 to read ' ... and the NRC staff will be available to answer questions from the public will have the opportunity to communicate with the NRC after the ....'
- 2. On page 5, paragraph 4, revise line 3 to read '... of the public also have the option of writing or e-mailing are always free to write or e-mail the staff ....'
- 3. On page 6, 1<sup>st</sup> full paragraph, revise line 1 to read '... public is will be invited to ....'
- 4. On page 7, paragraph 2, revise line 1 to read ' ... as the staff is reasonably confident certain ....'
- 5. On page 7, paragraph 3, revise line 3 to read ' ... the agency's document management system, ADAMS , and made available ....'
- 6. On page 7, paragraph 5, revise lines 2 and 3 to read ' ... visitors over the age of 18 and older must present a ....'
- 7. On page 7, last paragraph, revise the last 2 lines to read ' ... restrooms are also considered public spaces in ....'
- 8. On page 8, revise paragraph 3 to read 'Portable electronic devices including cellular telephones, pagers, palm-sized computing devices, two-way radios, and portable computers are allowed in NRC buildings and public meetings. These include cellular telephones, pagers, palm-sized computing devices, two-way radios, and portable computers. However, devices that could interrupt or distract from public meetings (cellular phones, pagers and two-way radios) are not to be used during public meetings.'

- 9. On page 8, paragraph 4, revise line 1 to read 'In addition, v∀isitors may use bring recording devices into public meetings ....' Revise line 2 to read 'Cameras and video recording devices (e.g., camcorders) are ....'
- 10. On page 9, paragraph 1, revise the last line to read ' ... documents because of the devices' intrusive and disruptive nature.'
- 11. On page 9, paragraph 4, revise the last line to read ' ... will be provided to and discussed with participants as part of their standard training including the 3 categories public meetings and staff expectations associated with each category material.'

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