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SUBJECT: SECURITY/ENFORCEMENT REVIEW GROUP

Given the heightened sensitivity of security and safeguards issues, and after discussions with various managers in NSIR, NMSS, and NRR, I believe that it is appropriate to review the agency's enforcement standards in these areas. Jim Luehman, Deputy Director, OE recently met with NSIR management and they are supportive on this idea. The purpose of this memorandum is to propose the establishment of a multi-office group to review existing security requirements and enforcement guidance in both the reactor and materials areas to determine if Enforcement Policy revisions are necessary, or if additional guidance is warranted.

I envision a broad review conducted in a short time-frame to include a review of existing security requirements, including such issues as access authorization and fitness-for-duty (FFD), and existing guidance, including significance categorizations (including applicable SDPs), thresholds for taking action, and resulting enforcement actions. The group will be charged with making recommendations to address security enforcement in the near term and can make recommendations for areas and issues which will require more in-depth evaluation.

I estimate that this group will work on a part-time basis over a 30-60 day period. Recognizing that participation from each region may be a problem, my goal is to get at least one regional representative along with a member from each affected headquarter's office.

Please send any questions as well as the name of your proposed office representative to Renée Pedersen (e-mail RMP; 415-2742) by C.O.B. September 30, 2002.

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