

February 26, 2003

MEMORANDUM TO: William D. Travers
Executive Director for Operations

FROM: Martin J. Virgilio, Director
Office of Nuclear Material Safety
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SUBJECT: FINAL RULE TO AMEND 10 CFR PARTS 70, 71, AND 73 ON
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