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MEMORANDUM TO: R. E. Browning, Director
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 FROM: H. J. Miller, Chief
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 SUBJECT: EA DISTRIBUTION AND EA REFERENCES

The following information provides the status of problems we are having in procuring from DOE the necessary resources for the EA reviews.

At present all NRC contractors have at least one copy of the respective EA in which their review responsibilities are required. One copy, however, in the majority of cases is not adequate because of the number of necessary individuals each contractor may have performing the review. Per conversation with DOE on January 10, 1985, they will be mailing on that date "partial" sets to the contractors indicated on NRC's distribution list, which we provided to DOE November 30, 1984. On November 30, 1984 DOE committed to get EAs to the NRC staff by December 21 and in the mail to our consultants by December 20. These partial sets include only 6 of the 9 EAs issued because the DOE distributor has not, as of January 10, 1985, received all of the EAs from the printers.

In regard to the references cited in the EAs the following is a list of the numbers of references which either have been or have not been provided.

BWIP (Chapters 2-6)

References provided 461
 Total references not provided 19 (DOE indicated they will try to send within two weeks)
 Key references not provided 11

Salt (Chapters 2-6 and Generic Chapter 1 and Appendix A)

References provided 1035
 Total references not provided 225 (DOE has "on order". They cannot give us a date when they will be available)
 Key references not provided 18

NTS (Chapters 2-6)

References provided 443
 Total references not provided 22
 Key references not provided 7 (DOE claims to have mailed 1/7/85)

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While any missing reference is a concern, lack of key references will severely affect our ability to complete a thorough review within the 90 day comment period. Without seeing the key references that have not been received, it is difficult to determine whether or not they contain significant amounts of data or important DOE analyses not already reviewed by the NRC staff in preparing for the EA reviews.

We have been in continuous contact with DOE HQ and the project offices on this matter and cannot get a firm commitment on when the missing references and the additional EAs will be available.

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