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OFFICE OF THE
SECRETARY

MEMORANDUM FOR: Victor Stello, Jr.
Executive Director for Operations

FROM: Samuel J. Chilk, Secretary

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - BRIEFING ON DIFFERENT
CASK DESIGNS FOR SHIPPING AND STORING
NUCLEAR MATERIALS, 2:00 P.M., WEDNESDAY,
OCTOBER 19, 1988, COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE
ROOM, ONE WHITE FLINT NORTH, ROCKVILLE,
MARYLAND (OPEN TO PUBLIC ATTENDANCE)

The Commission* was briefed by the staff on different cask designs for shipping and storing nuclear materials, i.e., spent fuel.

The Commission encouraged the staff to continue working with the Department of Energy, utility licensees and shipping cask fabricators to achieve cask design compatibility to the greatest extent possible. With NRC taking a leadership role, active participation by the utilities and the industry should be sought to achieve this goal.

Commissioner Rogers requested the staff, in their consideration of the designs of casks, to separate those designs for transport and repository storage from those designs for onsite storage, and to assign a higher priority to the achievement of compatibility among transport and repository storage casks while simultaneously expediting the review of proposed onsite storage cask designs.

The Commission requested the staff provide a paper addressing the resources needed to handle license applications for cask designs.

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cc: Chairman Zech
Commissioner Roberts
Commissioner Carr
Commissioner Rogers
Commissioner Curtiss
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* Commissioner Carr was not present.

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