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For: The Commissioners

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Subject: LSS ADMINISTRATOR - QUARTERLY REPORT

Purpose: To inform the Commission of the status of the design and development of the Licensing Support System (LSS) and the activities of the Office of the LSS Administrator (LSSA) for the calendar quarter ending June 30, 1991.

Background: On August 25, 1989, the Commission approved Manual Chapter NRC-0109 for the LSSA which required that status reports be sent to the Commission on a quarterly basis.

Discussion: LSS Program and Budget Responsibility

Recent exchanges among the NRC, the Department of Energy (DOE), and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) confirm that DOE will not be taking further action on the development of the LSS at this time. In order to help the Commission decide what action the NRC should take with respect to the future of the LSS program, I sent to the Commissioners on June 19, 1991, a memorandum providing several alternatives and a recommendation that the NRC assume LSS development and related budget responsibility, with appropriate reimbursement from DOE in accordance with OMB Circular A-130.

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Appointment of New Member to LSSARP

Mr. David Copenhafer of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has accepted my invitation to join the LSSARP as a non-voting Federal agency member. Mr. Copenhafer has significant experience in developing SEC's pilot electronic data gathering, analysis, and retrieval (EDGAR) system.

Technical Data Contract with the Center for Nuclear Waste Regulatory Analyses (CNWRA)

As discussed in previous quarterly reports, we have contracted with the CNWRA to explore a number of issues related to electronic storage and retrieval of graphic-oriented material known as "technical data." During this reporting period, we provided comments to the CNWRA on its report entitled "Definition of Technical Data and Analysis of Infrastructure Within Participant Organizations for Providing LSS Access." There have been several meetings with the CNWRA team to discuss issues raised in its report and alternative approaches to the handling and indexing of technical data.

Contract on Compliance Requirements and Evaluation Program

Also, as discussed in previous reports, we have contracted with Labat-Anderson, Inc./Price Waterhouse to help develop standards and guidance for the identification, preparation, and submission of documents to the LSS and to provide recommendations for the compliance evaluation program I will be responsible for administering. During this reporting period, the contractor began work on the development of a strategy and approach for fulfilling our obligations to evaluate each LSS participant's compliance with LSS document submission requirements. The contractor is also

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working with us to develop Quality Management Plans for all of the processes associated with our compliance requirements and evaluation program.



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