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Attached for your information is a summary prepared by Charlotte Abrams of a December 20th meeting with CEQ regarding security concerns over sensitive information and NEPA. If you have any questions on this matter, please contact Charlotte. I've labeled the attachment as "Sensitive Information - Not to be Publicly Released" due to the subject matter.

CC: Charlotte Abrams

Meeting Notes: December 20 Meeting with CEQ Regarding Security Concerns over Sensitive Information and NEPA

Contact: Charlotte E. Abrams

On December 20, 2001, I attended a meeting at the offices of the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) on the topic of Security Concerns and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Other NRC attendees were:

Mindy Landau	OEDO
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The meeting was attended by representatives of other Federal Agencies, including: Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Department of Energy, Department of Justice, U.S. Navy, U.S. Army, Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Defense, Department of the Interior, and the CEQ.

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During the meeting, representatives of each Agency discussed activities currently underway to secure sensitive information. The following is a brief summary of some of those discussions as they relate to the NEPA process:

Department of Energy

DOE appears to have moved further in its guidance preparation and implementation than most other agencies, probably due to the need to meet the deadline for release of the Yucca Mountain final environmental impact statement (FEIS). DOE publishes a quarterly report of lessons learned for NEPA on its NEPA web site. Issue 29, dated December 5, 2001, outlines some of DOE's actions to protect sensitive information as a result of 9/11.

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DOE reviewers also found instances of unnecessary information in the EIS during the redaction review. Because the CEQ has frequently stressed that EISs have become too long, CEQ representatives viewed this as a positive outcome of the review process.

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Environmental Protection Agency

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U.S. Army and Navy

The Army is looking at how information is released to its contractors. Navy representatives stated that most of its information was already classified.