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Subject: FYI: Periodic

On Wednesday, January 14th, I had a periodic meeting with Commissioner Merrifield.

We discussed my recent interaction with NEI Management on Clearance. I advised him that NEI believes that the Steel industry would not support the Staff's proposal for unrestricted release at 1 mrem and that they favor a case by case review approach. He acknowledged that the Commission has not yet engaged on the Staff's proposal.

We discussed the Commission's interest in having the ACMUI conduct an independent assessment of a dose reconstructing of an overexposure event performed by SNM/Carole Marcus. We also discussed his general interests in medical (the revised Part 35) issues and the challenges we will face with the medical community and the States in implementing the rule. He indicated that he had recently reviewed an older NAS Report on Radiation in Medicine and was specifically interested in how we treat enforcement in that area. **He asked that we and OE schedule an informal meeting with him to review the process and thresholds for enforcement action. Please coordiante with OE and the EDO TAs to set up the requested meeting.**

He asked about the status of our responses to the concerned citizens living around the Radiac Research Corporation facility in New York. I noted that this is a New York State licensee and provided him a brief overview of the status of our review. **I offered that we would follow up with his staff and provide some of the background documentation. Please support Mike/Doug and gathering the 2.206 petition and letter from the Congresswoman and other documentation that we have on Radiac and we will pass it on to his Office thru the EDO TAs.**

CC: Federline, Margaret

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