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Subject: LSN Access Controls Prior to Initial Certification

Relative to your May 4, 2004 access control request, as that memorandum suggests, Licensing Support Network (LSN) access to Department of Energy (DOE) documents would be provided in accord with the LSN Guideline No. 23, Access Control Guideline. In this regard:

- 1. Relative to the release, identification, or other disclosure of DOE documents made available for indexing prior to DOE making an initial certification pursuant to 10 C.F.R. §§ 2.1003(a), 2.1009(b), in accord with Guideline 23.4.1, LSN staff will take appropriate measures to ensure that material made available for indexing/loading into the LSN is restricted only to those LSN project staff members directly involved with LSN maintenance.
- Relative to the ability of DOE to recall documents prior to its initial certification, in accord with Guideline 23.5, prior to its initial certification DOE may delete previously indexed information that it later determines is not relevant or may change the manner in which the information is disclosed if it decides the information is privileged or otherwise sensitive.
- 3. In accord with 10 C.F.R. § 2.1006(a), traditional discovery privileges recognized in NRC adjudicatory proceedings and the exceptions from disclosure in 10 C.F.R. § 2.390 are applicable to documents provided to the LSN for indexing.

Thank you for providing information regarding the size of the initial collection DOE intends to make available at the time of its initial certification. Please do not hesitate to contact me at (301)415-7401 if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

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