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OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

The Chairman Commissioner Rogers Commissioner, Curtiss

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FROM:

SUBJECT:

DRAFT #3 OF EPA HLW STANDARDS: PROPOSED ACNW AND STAFF RESPONSES (SECY-91-218)

We have received two proposed responses to EPA on Draft #3 of the EPA HLW standards; one from ACNW dated 27 June 1991 and one from the staff in SECY-91-218 dated 22 July. If both responses were submitted to EPA, they would represent a mixed signal as to the NRC's views on certain parts of Draft #3.

In general, it would be better if ACNW reviewed staff effort or action in the HLW area, had dialogue with the staff, and then provided the Commission with the Committee's comments as to where they agreed or disagreed with the staff effort or action. Currently, we have a separate response from ACNW as if from a second staff.

I am not aware of the schedule for timely responses to EPA on Draft #3. However, if we have time, I suggest that we ask ACNW to meet with the staff to discuss SECY-91-218 and that then each inform us of revisions, if any, to their proposed responses.

I would appreciate your comments.

SECY, please track.

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