

## UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555-0001

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Annette L. Vietti-Cook Secretary U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Washington, DC 20555-0001

Dear Ms. Vietti-Cook,

This is to inform you that I am resigning from the Chairmanship of the Licensing Support Network Advisory Review Panel (LSNARP) effective immediately. It has been an honor to have assisted the Commission in this manner during the past year.

In my view, the LSNARP has continued to provide valuable insights and useful suggestions to the LSN Administrator which have enabled him to make substantive progress on the LSN system. As a result of their most recent activity, the NRC is now in the process of developing a statement of work for LSN design and development, to be released in the next few weeks. It is anticipated that the design phase will be completed by mid-August, 2000.

The Panel members themselves, together with the members of the Panel's Technical Working Group, have made significant contributions to the LSN project. Their continued participation in this effort will be very important as the LSN becomes a reality during the coming year.

It has been a pleasure working with the NRC staff whose strong and timely efforts have assured much needed momentum for the LSN, particularly Judges Paul Bollwerk and Tom Moore, LSN Administrator Dan Graser, and OGC Special Counsel Chip Cameron. I wish them continued success.

Sincerely.

cc: Chairman Meserve

**Commissioner Dicus** 

Commissioner Diaz

Commissioner McGaffigan

Commissioner Merrifield