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MEMORANDUM TO:

Chairman Jackson Commissioner Dicus Commissioner Diaz Commissioner McGaffigan Commissioner Merrifield

John C. Hoyle

FROM:

SUBJECT: LICENSING SUPPORT NETWORK ADVISORY REVIEW PANEL

Upon my retirement from the NRC, there will be a requirement to appoint a new NRC representative and chairman of the renamed Licensing Support Network Advisory Review Panel (LSNARP). In accordance with the Commission's action on SECY 98-237, the reconstitution of the charter for the LSNARP has now been completed, allowing the Panel to provide advice to the NRC on fundamental access issues, to the Secretary on electronic docket operation and maintenance for the HLW proceeding, and to the LSN Administrator on solutions to improve the functioning of the Licensing Support Network (LSN).

Although the Secretary could probably continue to serve as the NRC representative on the Panel and be its chairman, the primary work of the panel would be to establish the standards and procedures for electronic access to documents in the functioning of the LSN. I believe, therefore, that it would be more efficient under the revised rule that consideration be given to assigning the chairmanship to the Licensing Support Network Administrator when that person has been identified.

cc: EDO, CIO, CFO, OGC, ASLBP