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MEMORANDUM TO: James E. Dyer, Director  
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

FROM: Carl J. Paperiello, Director */RA/ Carl J. Paperiello*  
Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research

SUBJECT: IMPENDING PUBLICATION OF NUREG/CP-XXXX:  
"CONFERENCE ON VESSEL PENETRATION INSPECTION,  
CRACK GROWTH AND REPAIR"

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