

June 30, 2005

MEMORANDUM TO: Luis A. Reyes
Executive Director for Operations

Karen D. Cyr
General Counsel

FROM: Annette L. Vietti-Cook, Secretary **/RA/**

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - COMGBJ-05-0001 - IMPROVING
TRANSPARENCY IN THE 10 CFR SEC. 20.2002 PROCESS

The staff, working with OGC, should develop options to enhance public understanding and awareness of 10 CFR 20.2002 approvals and provide recommendations to the Commission within 180 days of the issuance of the SRM for this action. The staff's recommendations should identify potential adverse impacts on the NRC's well-established regulatory framework. One approach the staff should consider would be to maintain an NRC webpage with an easily accessible, current listing of 20.2002 requests with information or links related to NEPA reviews. The staff should encourage stakeholder input by individuals who may be directly affected by an NRC decision to approve a request pursuant to 10 CFR 20.2002, to further ensure informed staff decisions on such approvals.

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(SECY Suspense: 12/28/05)

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