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THRU:	Melanie A. Galloway, Chief / RA / Technical Support Group Division of Fuel Cycle Safety and Safeguards
FROM:	Robert C. Pierson, Director / RA / Division of Fuel Cycle Safety and Safeguards
SUBJECT:	TEMPORARY WAIVER OF TRAINING REQUIREMENT

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