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MEMORANDUM TO: Michael T. Lesar, Chief Rules Review and Directives Branch Division of Administrative Services Office of Administration

FROM: Jon Chen, Project Manager /RA/ Licensing and Inspection Branch Division of High-Level Waste Repository Safety Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguard

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