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MEMORANDUM TO: Commissioner McGaffigan
Commissioner Merrifield
Commissioner Jaczko
Commissioner Lyons

FROM: Nils J. Diaz *[Signature]*

SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT ("FOIA")
OFFICER PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER 13392, "IMPROVING
AGENCY DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION"

On December 14, 2005, the President signed Executive Order ("EO") 13392, entitled "Improving Agency Disclosure of Information" to ensure that appropriate agency disclosure of information is consistent with the goals of the FOIA. Among other things, EO 13392 requires that the head of the NRC designate a senior official to serve as the Chief FOIA Officer, to monitor the agency's efficient and appropriate compliance with the FOIA. I recommend that the Commission concur in the appointment of Jacqueline E. Silber, Deputy Executive Director for Information Services and Administration, as the agency's Chief FOIA Officer.

Under the terms of the EO, the NRC is required to designate a Chief FOIA Officer no later than January 13, 2006. I would, therefore, appreciate receiving your concurrence or comments by January 10, 2006.

SECY, please track.

cc: EDO
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