

July 31, 2006

MEMORANDUM TO: Chairman Klein
Commissioner McGaffigan
Commissioner Merrifield
Commissioner Jaczko
Commissioner Lyons

FROM: Luis A. Reyes /RA/
Executive Director for Operations

SUBJECT: INFORMING THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF THE
REVIEW OF THE R.M.D OPERATIONS, LLC, LICENSE
APPLICATION AS A MULTI-SITE SERVICE PROVIDER

The Commission issued a staff requirements memorandum (SRM), dated April 28, 2006, in response to SECY-06-0049, *Actions Related to Regulation of Maximum Contamination Levels for Uranium in Drinking Water*. In a memorandum to the Commission dated June 27, 2006, the staff provided a proposed schedule for both the rulemaking and issuance of the generic communication for a new general license for drinking water treatment facilities concentrating Uranium. This memorandum is being provided in response to the SRM's direction that the staff keep the Commission informed regarding the review of the R.M.D Operations, LLC license application.

As of July 14, 2006, in support of its review of the R.M.D Operations, LLC license application, the staff has prepared a draft Environmental Assessment (EA), and has provided copies of this draft EA to both Agreement and Non-Agreement States for comment. In this regard, on July 12, 2006, the staff held a conference call with representatives from the Organization of Agreement States (OAS) and the Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors (CRCPD). During the call, the staff notified both OAS and CRCPD that the staff was sending the draft EA to all the States for comment. In response to questions, the staff also discussed the general licensing process to be used for community water systems in non-Agreement States, as well as the specific licensing process being used for the R.M.D Operations, LLC license application.

During the States' comment period on the draft EA (scheduled to end August 31, 2006), the staff will complete its Technical Evaluation Report (TER), and will develop proposed license conditions for inclusion in an NRC specific license for R.M.D Operations, LLC.

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The Commissioners

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