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| MEMORANDUM TO: | William M. Dean, Assistant for Operations<br>Office of the Executive Director for Operations   |
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| FROM:          | Mark A. Cunningham, Director / <b>RA</b> /<br>Division of Fuel, Engineering & Radiological Research<br>Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research |
| SUBJECT:       | PRESENTATION MATERIALS: "NDE ASSESSMENT OF PWSCC<br>IN CONTROL ROD DRIVE MECHANISM HOUSINGS,"<br>BY STEPHEN CUMBLIDGE ET AL                  |

This memorandum conveys the enclosed copy of the materials for a presentation on nondestructive examination of primary water stress-corrosion cracking (PWSCC) in control rod drive mechanism housings removed from the vessel head discarded from North Anna Power Station, Unit 2.<sup>1</sup> Stephen Cumblidge and coauthors from Pacific Northwest National Laboratory have prepared this presentation for the 6<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on "Contribution of Materials Investigations To Improve the Safety and Performance of Light-Water Reactors" (Fontevraud 6), sponsored by the French Nuclear Energy Society (SFEN), which will take place on September 18–22, 2006. Details regarding the conference are as follows:

- Meeting: Fontevraud 6 International Symposium: "Contribution of Materials Investigations To Improve the Safety and Performance of Light-Water Reactors"
- Place: Fontevraud, France
- Dates: September 18–22, 2006
- Authors: Stephen Cumblidge, George Schuster, Susan Crawford, Robert Harris, and Steven R. Doctor
- Title: "NDE Assessment of PWSCC in Control Rod Drive Mechanism Housings"

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