

January 10, 2008

MEMORANDUM TO: Luis A. Reyes
Executive Director for Operations

FROM: Annette L. Vietti-Cook, Secretary **/RA/**

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS – SECY-07-0208 – PROPOSAL FOR
UPDATING OFFICE OF NUCLEAR MATERIAL SAFETY AND
SAFEGUARDS-COGNIZANT REGULATORY GUIDES

The Commission has approved the staff's recommendation to defer review and update of the 89 Regulatory Guides (RGs) that support programs administered by the Office Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS) until the FY 2009 – FY 2010 budget cycle.

The staff should work with staff of the Chief Financial Officer to identify carry-over funds or make other reasonable efforts to support this activity. In particular, the staff should consider applying some minimal amount of resources in the near term to utilize contractors to support the withdrawal of unnecessary RGs. In the longer-term, NMSS should continue to seek the resources needed to incorporate Interim Staff Guidance into the Standard Review Plans and to update any necessary Regulatory Guides.

The staff should provide the Commission an annual summary of progress made under the Regulatory Guide Update Program.

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