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MEMORANDUM TO: To Those on the Enclosed List

FROM: Scott A. Morris, Deputy Director ***/RA/***
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SUBJECT: DRAFT REGULATORY GUIDE FOR COMMENT

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The comment period for the draft guidance begins seven (7) calendar days following the date of this letter and closes 45 days thereafter. Comments received after that date will be considered if it is practical to do so, but the NRC is able to ensure consideration only for comments received on or before this date. Although a time limit is given, comments and suggestions in connection with items for inclusion in guides currently being developed or improvements in all published guides are encouraged at any time.

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