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From: RidsOIS Resource
Sent: Wednesday, May 20, 2009 4:22 PM
To: Mary Moss; Donna Sealing
Subject: FW: ACTION: 5/18/09 - Yellow Announcement to All NRC Employees fm R. W. Borchardt
Attachments: ADAMS Document.ADC

Hello,

I am just getting through all of my Emails from being out. Do either of you know if this was picked up? I see it hasn't been picked up yet.

Thanks,
Jeannie

From: Denise Wallace
Sent: Tuesday, May 19, 2009 4:59 PM
To: RidsOIS Resource; Jeannie Griffin
Subject: ACTION: 5/18/09 - Yellow Announcement to All NRC Employees fm R. W. Borchardt

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Here is the signed and completed Official Record document in ADAMS. The Yellow Announcement was signed on 05/11/09 by Darren B. Ash. **OIS should have the Yellow Announcement posted to the internal NRC Web page as soon as possible (send email to Announcement Program@nrc.gov). The package can be picked up in the EDO mailroom.**

Thanks,
Denise Wallace

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UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Yellow Announcement: YA-09-0054

Date: May 19, 2009

TO: All NRC Employees

SUBJECT: NEW FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT PROCEDURES

On March 19, 2009, Attorney General Eric Holder issued new Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Guidelines to the heads of executive agencies. These guidelines reaffirm the government's "commitment to accountability and transparency" as directed by President Obama in his Memorandum on the FOIA issued on January 21, 2009. Together, these two memoranda call for increased Governmental openness.

The President called on agencies to "adopt a presumption in favor of disclosure," which applies to all decisions involving documents sought under the FOIA. The Attorney General's FOIA guidelines strongly encourage agencies to make discretionary releases in response to requests for records. The guidelines direct agencies not to withhold records simply because a FOIA exemption might allow withholding.

Achieving the President's goal of a "new era of open Government" will require the commitment of all agency personnel. As the Attorney General stated in his FOIA Guidelines, "FOIA is everyone's responsibility and not merely a task assigned to an agency's FOIA staff." The Attorney General stresses that we must all do our part to ensure open government. In order to comply with the President and Attorney General, I am issuing new FOIA procedures for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

If you have any questions about this guidance, please contact Donna L. Sealing, FOIA/Privacy Officer, at 301-415-5804.

/RA Darren B. Ash for/

R. W. Borchardt
Executive Director for Operations

Management Directive Reference: MD 3.1, "Freedom of Information Act"

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