

NOTATION VOTE

RESPONSE SHEET

TO: Annette Vietti-Cook, Secretary

FROM: Chairman Gregory B. Jaczko

SUBJECT: SECY-11-0073 – STAFF PROPOSAL TO
REINTEGRATE SECURITY INTO THE ACTION
MATRIX OF THE REACTOR OVERSIGHT PROCESS
ASSESSMENT PROGRAM

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COMMENTS: Below Attached X None



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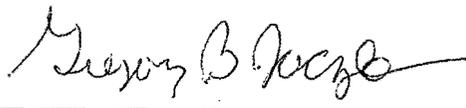
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**CHAIRMAN GREGORY B. JACZKO'S COMMENTS ON SECY-11-0073 STAFF PROPOSAL
TO REINTEGRATE SECURITY INTO THE ACTION MATRIX OF THE REACTOR
OVERSIGHT PROCESS ASSESSMENT PROGRAM**

I am pleased to approve the staff recommendation in SECY-11-0073 to reintegrate security into the action matrix of the Reactor Oversight Process (ROP) assessment program for commercial nuclear power licensees. I have supported this position since 2005 when, unfortunately, the Commission decided to remove the security cornerstone from the ROP and handle findings separately. The reasoning at that time was that security issues were too sensitive to be handled in the broader context of the overall ROP. My view at that time, and since, was that there were sufficient controls available to control the sensitive aspects of security information while gaining the benefit from viewing security findings in the broader context of a licensee's overall performance of safety and security.

As I wrote in 2005, this issue is ultimately about how the NRC treats these issues. Public disclosure is another matter. In other words, the security and emergency planning cornerstones could be reintegrated but the action matrix could state that the plant may have additional findings that potentially change the true NRC action matrix.

I believe that the staff has provided a clear and cohesive explanation of the benefits for now reintegrating security into the ROP. In the past six years, we have developed an even better understanding of how to handle the sensitive security information while keeping stakeholders informed of a licensee's performance. We have also recognized the need for assuring an understanding of a licensee's safety/security interface. The two areas are not separate but rather need to be complementary and provide support to the successful execution of a licensee's overall ability to maintain safety. This is a clear benefit of the reintegration. I also believe that the reintegration of security into the ROP will provide a greater degree of efficiency to the overall ROP process.

 6/20/11

Gregory B. Jaczko

Date