

September 22, 2015

MEMORANDUM TO: Mark A. Satorius
Executive Director for Operations

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

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS – SECY-15-0002 – PROPOSED
UPDATES OF LICENSING POLICIES, RULES, AND GUIDANCE
FOR FUTURE NEW REACTOR APPLICATIONS

The Commission has approved the staff's recommendation to confirm that the Commission's guidance given in the "Policy Statement on Severe Reactor Accidents Regarding Future Designs and Existing Plants" and other Commission direction identified by staff apply to new 10 CFR Part 50 power reactor applications in a manner consistent with 10 CFR Part 52 design and license applications.

The Commission has approved revision of the regulations in 10 CFR Part 50 for new power reactor applications to more closely align with requirements in 10 CFR Part 52, incorporating the requirements identified by the staff in this paper. The Commission has also approved revision of 10 CFR Part 52 and supporting regulations, including 10 CFR Part 50, to reflect lessons learned from recent new reactor licensing activities. The priority and schedule for these updates should be evaluated in the context of Project Aim 2020 to ensure effective use of Agency resources.

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