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MEMORANDUM TO: Victor M. McCree
Executive Director for Operations

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

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS MEMORANDUM
SECY-15-0137 – PROPOSED PLANS FOR RESOLVING OPEN FUKUSHIMA TIER 2 & 3 RECOMMENDATIONS

The Commission has approved staff's proposed closure plans to resolve the remaining open Tier 2 and 3 recommendations developed in response to the March 11, 2011, accident at the Fukushima Dai-ichi nuclear power plant. The Commission has approved the staff's recommendation to close the items identified in Group 1 (i.e., recommendations that should be closed now).

For the recommendations placed in Group 2 (i.e., recommendations that the staff's initial assessment has concluded should be closed, but for which stakeholder interaction is warranted prior to finalizing its assessment) and in Group 3 (i.e., recommendations for which the staff has not yet completed its assessment, stakeholder interactions, and/or documentation), the staff should document the final results of each group's evaluation following its interaction with external stakeholders and the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS).

With regard to the actions the staff has identified as Group 2 and Group 3, in the six-month status updates on post-Fukushima actions, the staff should continue to provide an update on these actions until they are closed.

In addition for the Group 3 action regarding "Evaluation of Other Natural Hazards," as an interim deliverable, the staff should inform the Commission no later than May, 2016 of the results of Task 2, "Determine and apply screening criteria to appropriately exclude certain natural hazards from further generic evaluations, or exclude some licensees from considering certain hazards."

The staff should leverage available information from the State-of- the-Art Reactor Consequence Analyses (SOARCA) evaluation of an ice condenser plant in completing its assessment of Tier 3 Item 5.2, "Consideration of Reliable Vents for Other than Mark I and II Containments."

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