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UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20555

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MEMORANDUM FOR: William J. Dircks Executive Director for Operations FROM: Commissioner Roberts TMR SUBJECT: SALEM UNITS 1 AND 2 - SPILL OF SPENT FUEL POOL WATER

Please provide the following information regarding the February 1 spill of contaminated water at Salem Units 1 and 2:

- 1. Was the temporary connection between the Unit 1 and Unit 2 spent fuel pool cooling systems approved by the licensee's onsite and offsite review committees? 5-0, 1-9
2. Did the NRC Resident Inspector have the opportunity to review the procedure prior to its use? NO
3. In the staff's review of spent fuel pool modifications, has an event such as that occurring at Salem 1 and 2 been considered?
4. What steps will be taken to ensure that a similar event does not occur at other operating facilities?

cc: Chairman Palladino Commissioner Gilinsky Commissioner Bradford Commissioner Ahearne SECY

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