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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO THE STATUS OF RECOMMENDATIONS:
AUDIT OF NRC'S REGULATORY ANALYSIS PROCESS
(OIG-15-A-15)

This letter provides the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff's status update for Recommendation 3 from the Office of the Inspector General's (OIG's) audit OIG-15-A-15, "Audit of the NRC's Regulatory Analysis Process," dated June 24, 2015.

Recommendation 3:

Update and implement the cost benefit guidance documents as planned in SECY-14-0002. Incorporate this guidance into office procedures by reference.

Response:

On April 17, 2017, the staff published in the *Federal Register* (82 FR 18163) a request for public comment on the draft NUREG/BR-0058, Revision 5, "Regulatory Analysis Guidelines of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission" (Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS) Accession No. ML17100A480). The 60-day public comment period closed on June 16, 2017. The staff considered and addressed, as appropriate, the comments submitted on the draft NUREG. The staff submitted the final NUREG to the Commission via a notation vote paper dated March 28, 2018 (SECY-18-0042; ADAMS Accession No. ML17221A000). The staff updated interim Revision 2 of NMSS Policy and Procedure 6-10, "NMSS Procedures for Preparation and Review of Rulemaking Packages" (ADAMS Accession No. ML17257A004), to reference the draft Revision 5 of NUREG/BR-0058 that was released in April 2017. If the Commission approves the staff's recommendations in SECY-18-0042, the staff will issue the final NUREG and revise its procedures to reference the updated guidance.

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Target Completion Dates:

April 2017 (completed – issued draft NUREG/BR-0058, Revision 5)

October 2017 (completed – updated NMSS Policy and Procedure 6-10)

April 2018 (completed – delivered notation vote paper transmitting NUREG/BR-0058, Revision 5)

cc: Chairman Svinicki
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Commissioner Burns
SECY

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