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SECRETARY

MEMORANDUM TO: Margaret M. Doane
Executive Director for Operations

FROM: Russell E. Chazell, Acting Secretary 

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS – SECY-18-0042 – DRAFT FINAL
NUREG/BR-0058, REVISION 5, "REGULATORY ANALYSIS
GUIDELINES OF THE U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY
COMMISSION"

In light of the Commission's recently concluded action on SECY-18-0049, "Management Directive and Handbook 8.4, 'Management of Backfitting, Issue Finality, and Information Collection,'" and the resultant revisions to Management Directive (MD) 8.4, the Commission is returning SECY-18-0042 to the staff without prejudice. The staff should conform NUREG/BR-0058 to MD 8.4 as approved in SRM-SECY-18-0049 and return it, as further revised, to the Commission for its review and approval no later than six months from the date of this staff requirements memorandum. Additionally, the staff should resume its work on revisions to agency internal procedures and guidance governing backfit provisions, including the planned revisions to NUREG-1409, "Backfitting Guidelines." The staff should conform NUREG-1409 to MD 8.4 as approved in SRM-SECY-18-0049 and, due to the significant overlap in subject matter between MD 8.4 and NUREG-1409, provide NUREG-1409 to the Commission for information ten days prior to issuing a draft version for comment and again ten days prior to issuing a final version.

The staff's estimate for the time necessary to finalize NUREG-1409 includes two 3-month periods for internal NRC concurrence. The Commission notes that this document update may present an opportunity to pilot new concurrence processes currently under development.

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