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MEMORANDUM FOR: D. Ross, Director
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FROM: R. J. Mattson, Director
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SUBJECT: RELATIVE RELIABILITY EVALUATION OF B&W PLANT AUXILIARY
FEEDWATER SYSTEMS, 50-320

The Lessons Learned Task Force was briefed by Mat Taylor of PAS on the work done for the W and CE licensed reactors to assess the relative reliability of the installed auxiliary feedwater systems. Despite the limitations of such evaluations, they do provide a significant insight in pointing out potential problem areas.

The Task Force was left with the begging question, "Why hasn't this been done for the auxiliary feedwater systems for the B&W plants?" It is our understanding that there is no current activity underway to perform these evaluations. We strongly recommend that similar reliability evaluations be performed for the B&W plants to set forth a common base for all operating PWR plants prior to issuance of the Generic W and CE reports.

Please inform me of your intention to adopt this recommendation or any alternative plan you may have.

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