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August 10, 1979

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Executive Director for Operations

FROM:

John Ahearne

SUBJECT:

EXPEDITED RULEMAKING ON EMERGENCY PLANNING

To assist the staff in drafting a proposed rule, attached are my suggestions as to the form the rule should take. The proposals are keyed to the questions in the Federal Register notice. If additional details are required, please contact George Sauter.

Attachment

cc: Chairman Hendrie

Commissioner Gilinsky Commissioner Kennedy Commissioner Bradford

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- The current documents lack sufficient detail for local governments and are weak in the linkage required between licensee, local and state government, and the Federal Government.
- Yes. Six months after adoption of final rule it should be the concurrence criterion for all operating plants.
- 4. Yes. Immediately, with respect to existing guidance. After final rule is adopted, current guidance will remain acceptable for six months, when approval will be with respect to final rule.
- 5. Yes, and to assist in developing planning and operational staff. Although Federal funds should be provided initially to get an adequate effort underway, particularly at the local level, funding should be in the rate base as soon as possible.
- 6. Yes, at least quarterly for licensee staff and a test of off-site: communications systems and, at a minimum, once a year for licenseie, local, State, and Federal agencies. The annual effort should be run by the appropriate State emergency office.
- Annually, by the State emergency office using the licensee's billing system. The extent of the information should be decided on by the State and local emergency planning officials.
- 9. The criteria for notification of the NRC should be such that we get alerted for events (such as ECCS initiation) for which State and local governments are not notified. (We will use these as possible symptomatic signals.) Public notification should be by a local official, but whether State, county, or metropolitan depends on site.