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DOR Memorandum No. 2
FEEDBACK OF INFORMATION AND DATA FROM OPERATING REACTORS TO
LICENSING REVIEWS

This Memorandum establishes the method to be used to provide feedback to the licensing review process of significant or potentially significant safety and environmental information obtained from operating facilities. The object is to ensure that relevant findings from operating reactors are concisely summarized and forwarded to the NRR Division having lead responsibility for the subject in licensing reviews.

It is the responsibility of the Division of Operating Reactors to continuously assess the pertinency of information obtained from operating reactors. Significant findings are to be forwarded to the appropriate Division in a timely and informative manner.

Formal transmittals to other NRR Division as established by this Memorandum should not hinder in any manner the routine exchange of information as it becomes available. The exchange of meeting notices and reports, group and individual discussions, and the exchange of available literature between NRR Divisions continues to be encouraged.

Prior to forwarding formally significant findings to the appropriate Division the subject matter should be well defined; and the effect on operating facilities either observed or inferred should be well established.

The presumed cause or causes should be at least tentatively defined. Steps underway or planned under the cognizance of this Division to investigate and resolve the particular finding for operating facilities should be stated. These factors may include inspections, calculations, tests, design changes or revisions of operational methods. This includes work by affected industry groups or under NRC Technical Assistance programs.

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If known, specific criteria in the incensing review process that may be impacted should be identified. This may include sections of the Standard Review Plan, Regulatory Guides, Industry Codes, and Standards.

If deemed appropriate recommendations may be stated. This may include citing of forthcoming meetings on the subject; suggestions of calculations or analytical assessments that could be made; possible solutions to the problem; or recommendations of research efforts that may be desirable.

The Attachment is the first Operating Experience Memorandum which exhibits the desired format and scope for providing the feedback

During each first-monthly staff meeting of the Director and the

Assistant Directors of the DOR a primary agenda item will be to discuss information from operating reactors deemed to have feedback significance.

Those topics having relevancy shall be written summarily as discussed above for the signature of the Director, DOR. The principal reviewer of Operational Technology with assistance as required of the cognizant Project Manager shall prepare the Operating Experience Memoranda.

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