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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman Hendrie
Commissioner Gilinsky
Commissioner Kennedy
Commissioner Bradford
Commissioner Ahearne
Lee V. Gossick, EDO

FROM: James A. Fitzgerald *FS*
Assistant General Counsel

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION HEARING THIS WEEK

At a meeting with the Presidential Commission staff Friday afternoon, the subject of the hearings this week came up. This is to inform you of what further information we were able to acquire.

- All testimony taken by the Commission in this and future hearings will be under oath.
- In the future they will try to give more advance notice to prospective witnesses. For the instant hearing they delayed until they obtained subpoena power.
- It was emphasized that, with 12 Commissioners, the staff could not say what would be covered in questioning. When I pointed out that on Thursday I had been advised that the Commission was not interested in testimony on the regulatory process, they said that this was only their opinion. While anything related to TMI appears to be "fair game," the staff expects the following subjects to be covered: the relationships between NRC and the licensee during the accident, how these groups interacted, who knew what about the condition of the core at what point, what was done, the hydrogen bubble scenario, etc.
- It was suggested that NRC witnesses might want to have one of their people monitor the hearing before their scheduled appearance to get some idea of what the Commissioners are interested in. The hearing kicks off at 1 p.m. on Wednesday:

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Panel 1: Dieckamp, Pres. GPU
Creitz, Pres. Met. Ed.
Herbein, Vice-Pres. Met. Ed.
Arnold, Vice-Pres. GPU

Panel 2: Lionarons, Auxiliary Nuclear Operator, TMI-2
Gutherie, Shift Foreman, Nuclear, TMI-2
Hemmila, Control Room Operator, Nuclear, TMI-2
Cooper, Control Room Operator, Nuclear, TMI-2

Panel 3: Zewe, Shift Supervisor, TMI-1 & -2
Scheimann, Shift Foreman, TMI-2
Frederick, Control Room Operator, TMI-2
Faust, Control Room Operator, TMI-2

Thursday morning:

Panel: Miller, Station Manager, TMI-1 & -2
Dubiel, Supervisor of Radiation Protection and
Chemistry
Kunder, Superintendent, Technical Support, TMI-2
Ross, Supervisor of Operations, TMI-1

Individuals: Logan, Superintendent, TMI-2
Floyd, Supervisor of Operations, TMI-2

-- They asked whether NRC witnesses would be filing prepared testimony. I indicated it was a local option. If prepared testimony is filed, the request was to provide 125 copies.

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