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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman Hendrie  
Commissioner Kennedy  
Commissioner Bradford  
Commissioner Ahearne

FROM: Commissioner Gilinsky *V.G.*

SUBJECT: COMMISSION STATEMENT ON THE  
REACTOR SAFETY STUDY

The press and Congressional interest in the Commission's policy statement on the Reactor Safety Study lends urgency to something which we should have done long since: that is, the preparation of a brief public statement by the Commission of the basis for NRC's issuing licenses to build and operate reactors.

I would expect it to lean heavily on the safety record to date, our assessment of the effectiveness of our design and construction review process, and the commitment to close monitoring and feedback of operating experience.

TO: CHAIRMAN

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