



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman Ahearne
Commissioner Gilinsky
Commissioner Hendrie
Commissioner Bradford

FROM: William J. Dircks, Acting Executive Director
for Operations

SUBJECT: EDO REPORT, WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 12, 1980

1. Low-level Waste Considerations

State of Washington officials have informed OSP that an initiative will be on the ballot this fall relating to the banning of out-of-state wastes. If approved; this initiative would ban all high- and low-level radioactive wastes from out of state on July 1, 1981. Medical and academic wastes originating from out of state would be banned after 1984. If a state has entered into a compact by these dates, their wastes would be accepted in Washington.

Hearings concerning the renewal of NECO's Nevada license for low-level waste burial were held during the week of September 8, 1980. A decision on this license is not expected for at least two weeks. The potential exists for restrictions on use of this site also.

3. GAO Generic Clearance for Issuance of IE Bulletins

Previously issued GAO generic clearance for issuance of bulletins and generic letters expired on July 31, 1980. NRC staff had applied for renewal prior to the expiration date. GAO permitted continuation of issuance under timely renewal. On September 8, 1980, IE staff was informed of GAO's intent to withdraw the generic clearance. During a meeting on September 11, 1980, with IE staff, GAO agreed to allow continuation of issuance until November 30, 1980. During this extension, IE staff will meet with GAO to negotiate this issue.

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4. Interim Reliability Evaluation Program (IREP)

Phase II of IREP began September 15, 1980, with four plants being studied: Millstone 1 and Calvert Cliffs 1 by a team in Bethesda; Arkansas 1 by a team at Sandia; and Browns Ferry 1 by a team in Idaho. The current schedule calls for a final report to be issued in June 1981.

5. Senior Contract Review Board (SCRB)

The SCRB is operating. The final charter is due to the Commission the week of September 15.

6. Automated Pay System

Pay statements and checks to be issued Tuesday, September 16, 1980, have been run on the newly-implemented Automated Pay System on the mini-computer.

7. Discussion on License for Salem

Discussion on the license for Salem is tentatively scheduled for the week of September 22, 1980.

8. IE Directors Meeting

W. Dircks plans to attend the Regional Directors Meeting in Region III on October 3-4, 1980.

9. 1980 Agreement States Meeting

The 1980 All Agreement States Meeting will be held October 7-9, 1980 in the conference room of the Stadium Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia.

10. Meeting with TMI Congressional Delegation

Kevin Cornell, with representatives from OGC and NRR, has been invited to meet with Congressman Ertel et al on Wednesday, September 17, to discuss the draft report on Potential Impact of Licensee Default on the NRC and on Cleanup of TMI-2.

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