



UNITED STATES
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20545

October 6, 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, NMSS
FROM: John Ahearne *J. Ahearne*
SUBJECT: RELEASE OF PRE-PUBLICATION COPIES OF DRAFT NUREG-0725
ON NRC APPROVED ROUTES FOR SPENT FUEL SHIPMENTS, SECY-80-245C

I would like you to add two items to Enclosure A, the Public Information Circular:

First, describe what we must release and why (probably due to the provisions in P.L. 96-295).

Second, what are we releasing because we want to and why.

In Enclosure B, my letter to the Governor, I would appreciate a revision that would explain what is the purpose of the letter and whether we want a response. If possible, estimate when we will be requesting the Governor's comments on the notification requirements and please explain what is a "pre-release copy." I believe the Governor would infer we are sending him a copy of a report that is not yet released to the public. That, I gather, would not be correct.

cc: EDO

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October 10, 1980

C O R R E C T I O N N O T I C E

TO ALL HOLDERS OF

SECY-80-245C - RELEASE OF PRE-PUBLICATION COPIES OF DRAFT NUREG-0725 ON NRC-
APPROVED ROUTES FOR SPENT FUEL SHIPMENTS (INFORMATION REPORT)

PER THE REQUEST OF THE DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF NUCLEAR MATERIAL SAFETY AND SAFEGUARDS, THE ATTACHED ERRATA SHEET SHOULD BE AFFIXED TO THE SUBJECT PAPER.

ATTACHMENT:
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ERRATA SHEET FOR ENCLOSURE "A" OF SECY-80-245C

The following changes are to be incorporated into Enclosure "A" of SECY-80-245C effective October 2, 1980:

1. The Preface to Enclosure "A" is amended by replacing the first paragraph with the following paragraph (while the second paragraph remains the same):

This circular has been prepared in response to numerous requests for information regarding routes used for the shipment of irradiated reactor (spent) fuel and to meet the requirements of Public Law 96-295. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff must approve such routes prior to their first use, in accordance with the regulatory provisions of 10 CFR Part 73.37. The NRC believes that the design and construction of the casks used to ship the spent fuel provide adequate protection of the public health and safety against accidents. Therefore, transporting appropriately packaged spent fuel over existing rail systems and via any highway system designed to bear the weight is safe without specific NRC approval of the route. However, to provide additional protection against actual or attempted acts of sabotage, NRC requires advance route approval. Thus the additional safeguards regulations contained in 10 CFR Part 73.37 were aimed exclusively at protection against radioactive dispersal caused by malevolent acts by persons.

2. The title page of Enclosure "A" is to be stamped "DRAFT".

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