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MEMORANDUM FOR: Leonard Bickwit, Jr., General Counsel William J. Dircks, Executive Director for Operations Paul B. Cotter, Chairman, ASLBP Alan S. Rosenthal, Chairman, ASLAP

FROM:

Samuel J. Chilk, Secretary

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - DISCUSSION OF REVISED LICENSING PROCEDURES, 2:10 P.M., TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 1981, COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE ROOM, D.C. OFFICE (OPEN TO PUBLIC ATTENDANCE)

I. SECY-81-310A - Revised Final Rule Amending Part 2

The Commission, by a vote of 4-0, approved for publication in the Federal Register a final rule amending 10 CFR Part 2.* (OGC) (Subsequently, the Federal Register Notice was signed by the Secretary.)

II. SECY-81-311A - Revised Proposed Rule Amending Part 2

The Commission, by a vote of 4-0, approved for publication in the Federal Register a notice of proposed rulemaking amending 10 CFR Part 2.* The Commission requested that the Federal Register Notice (attachment to the SECY paper) be revised:

- to delete the word technical from page 13, Option B, Number (3), line 2; and
- to correct page 15, Number (5) to read Section 2.740(f) instead of Section 2.740b. (OGC)

(Subsequently, the Federal Register Notice was signed by the Secretary.)

*The Commission requested that the Federal Register Notices be given a wide distribution. Subsequently, SECY mailed copies to all Parties to NRC proceedings and EDO was requested by phone to mail copies to any other interested persons or groups.

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III. SECY-304A - Sua Sponte Rule

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The Commission requested OGC to prepare a staff requirements memo that would direct the licensing and appeal boards, when considering an issue <u>sua sponte</u>, to provide in a separate Order notification of the issue that the board intends to address and its rationale for doing so. (SECY/OGC)

IV. Proposed Hearing Schedule

The Commission discussed an ASLBP model hearing schedule without reaching a final decision.

V. Role of NRC Staff in Agency Proceedings

The Commission authorized the Office of the General Counsel to institute a study on the role of NRC staff in Agency proceedings.

In developing the study, OGC is to rely upon Commissioner Ahearne's definition of the role of the hearing process as outlined in his April 1 memo. (OGC)

cc: Chairman Hendrie Commissioner Gilinsky Commissioner Bradford Commissioner Ahearne Commission Staff Offices Public Document Room