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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

MEMORANDUM TO:

February 1, 1994

Samuel J. Chilk, Secretar

James M. Taylor Executive Director for Operations

FROM:

SUBJECT:

SECY-93-323 - WITHDRAWAL OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING TO ESTABLISH PROCEDURES AND CRITERIA FOR ON-SITE STORAGE OF LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE AFTER JANUARY 1, 1996

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The Commission (with all Commissioners agreeing) has approved the staff proposal to withdraw the subject proposed rulemaking. The staff should provide clear indication in the withdrawal notice that the Commission continues to favor disposal of low-level radioactive waste over storage and that withdrawal of this proposed rulemaking in no way alters that position. The Commission expects low-level waste disposal sites to be sited and developed in a timely manner and that the major stakeholders, including waste generators and states, will continue to take all reasonable steps to assure that low-level radioactive disposal capacity is available in the near future. The staff should proceed with the changes to NRC guidance on storage identified in SECY-93-323.

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(SECY Suspense: 5/4/94)

Should the staff identify specific hazards or technical considerations that need to be addressed, the staff should develop any new requirements with a systems approach in mind.

Prior to publication, the proposed withdrawal notice should be submitted to the Commission for review and approval. (SECY Suspense: 3/4/94) (EDO)

The Chairman CC: Commissioner Rogers Commissioner Remick Commissioner de Planque OGC OCA OIG

RELEASED PER COMMISSION NOTE: DECISION ON 2/9/94

SECY-93/323 CONTAINS SENSITIVE INFORMATION. THIS SECY NOTE: SRM AND SECY-93-323 WILL BE LIMITED TO THE NRC UNLESS THE COMMISSION DETERMINES OTHERWISE.

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