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MEMORANDUM TO: James M. Taylor Executive Director for Operations
FROM: Samuel J. Chilk, Secretary
SUBJECT: SECY-93-280/SECY-93-280A - ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY'S REQUEST TO UTILIZE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE SUPPORT FROM THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION'S FEDERALLY FUNDED RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER, THE CENTER FOR NUCLEAR WASTE REGULATORY ANALYSES - REFERENCE SECY-92-207 AND MEMORANDA OF JULY 10, 1992

The Commission (with all Commissioners agreeing) has approved in concept EPA's request to use the Center for Nuclear Waste Regulatory Analyses (CNWRA) for technical support in reviewing DOE's certification of compliance at WIPP subject to the four conditions identified in the paper. Additionally, staff and the CNWRA should develop criteria and administrative procedures for dealing with issues which may involve a potential conflict of interest or otherwise compromise the CNWRA's independence that could apply to any user of the CNWRA. If EPA does decide to utilize the CNWRA, staff should provide further information on the scope of work at that time.

cc: The Chairman Commissioner Rogers Commissioner Remick Commissioner de Planque OGC OCA OIG Office Directors, Regions, ACRS, ACNW, ASLBP (via E-Mail)

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