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MEMORANDUM FOR: James M. Taylor, Director  
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FROM: Darrell G. Eisenhut, Director  
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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

SUBJECT: SUMMARY REPORTS FOR REGIONAL EVALUATION OF NTOL'S

Your memo dated December 9, 1982, requested DL to review revised Inspection Procedure 94300, which provides guidance for performing the regional evaluation of Near-Term Operating License facilities. The revision to this procedure was prompted, in part, by my memorandum of August 24, 1982 which discussed an increased interest level by ACRS in the quality assurance aspects of these facilities.

We have completed our review of the revised procedure and generally find that it should significantly improve the content of the regional summary reports issued prior to licensing these facilities. The new format should also serve to provide ACRS with the type of information it seeks in its review. The one comment we do have is the lack of a provision in the procedure for summarizing independent design verification reports initiated by utilities, where appropriate. A growing number of utilities are having these verifications performed by a "third-party" in order to give themselves and the NRC added confidence that their plants were designed and constructed with the proper level of quality assurance. The increased interest in and recognition of these verifications by OIE and the Regional Administrators would indicate that they should also be included, in summary fashion, in the regional summary reports when such verifications have been performed.

Your memo also requested an estimate of the time required to perform a typical evaluation. DL has no basis on which to provide such an estimate and assumes that the request was directed to the Regional Administrators.

Original signed by  
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