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MEMORANDUM FOR: Daniel J. Donoghue, Director Office of Administration

FROM: Richard E. Cunningham, Director Division of Fuel Cycle and Material Safety

SUBJECT: PROPOSED LICENSE FEE SCHEDULE REVISION

With reference to your February 10, 1982 memorandum, the NMSS staff shares your desire to provide the Commission with an appropriate recommendation for a revised fee schedule as quickly as possible. Unfortunately, our current assessment of available data indicates that it may not be possible to provide defensible review times to plug into the existing fee schedule structure. This is due, in part, to an apparent misalignment between the current fee schedule categories and the way we currectly categorize types of applications in the NMSS database. As we discussed in our January 12th meeting with you, it may be necessary to change the current fee schedule structure in order to have an optimum fee schedule.

We are continuing to analyze our available data in order to provide meaningful suggestions on the structure and content of an appropriate fee schedule for NMSS Materials Licensing activities. We expect to have a proposed revised fee schedule completed by April 30, 1982. If the Commission is unable to delay the current fee schedule revision until then, we would suggest that the Materials Licensing portion remain unchanged from the current 10 CFR 170.31. An appropriate substitute can then be incorporated into the anticipated major overhaul of the fee schedule thereafter.

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