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MEMORANDUM FOR: L. J. Evans, Chief
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SUBJECT: REVIEW OF FEBRUARY 10 DRAFT OF UPGRADED RULES

It is not clear what the "minimum essential system specifications" imply. Certainly, it is clear from the draft text that they are a necessary part of licensee safeguards, but it is not clear whether or not compliance with these specifications alone will produce a system which will be sufficient to meet performance requirements. We at NRC know that this latter condition is not the case, but the rules could mislead one to a conclusion that it is the case.

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