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FROM: John T. Collins, Deputy Director, TMI Support
SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATION FOR PROMOTION

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In my opinion, Rich is more than capable of handling the responsibilities required of this higher position. Rich is a credit to himself, Region I and the NRC, and I therefore recommend that Rich be promoted from GS-13 to GS-14 at the earliest possible date.

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