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MEMORANDUM FOR: George Knighton, Chief  
Environmental Evaluation Branch  
Division of Operating Reactors

FROM: John T. Collins, Deputy Director  
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Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulations

SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATION FOR PROMOTION

I am recommending that Larry Bell be promoted from GS-13 to GS-14 for the reasons stated below.

For the past five years, Larry Bell has been a nuclear engineer in the Effluent Treatment Systems Branch. In October 1979, he transferred to the Environmental Evaluation Branch. However, since May 1st, Larry has been detailed to the TMI Support staff as a waste management specialist. During this period, I have had the opportunity to observe Larry as his branch chief while in ETSB and more recently as his immediate supervisor on the Task Force. He has continually demonstrated his knowledge and expertise in the areas of waste treatment, effluent monitoring, contamination control and decontamination. He has a good understanding of reactor and auxiliary systems and theory and practical understanding of reactor operations. In addition, Larry has a good understanding of NRC policies and regulations. Larry is enthusiastic about his work and has demonstrated an ability to think out technical problems reaching conclusions. In his interactions with the licensee and various contractors, has always conducted himself in a very professional and technical manner. His oral and written presentations of technical and complex matters is above average. Larry's contribution to the recovery programs for TMI-2 as one of the principle technical reviewers has been invaluable.

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

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