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ACTION: Minogue Cys: Dircks Cornell Rehm Stello DeYoung Denton Shapar

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MEMORANDUM FOR: William J. Dircks, Executive Director for Operations FROM: Samuel J. Chilk, Secretary SUBJECT: PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF DEADLINE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL QUALIFICATION OF CLASS 1E ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT (SECY-81-486)

The Commission desires that the staff develop a rule to establish criteria and schedules associated with environmental qualification of Class 1E electrical equipment.

The rule should:

- 1. provide criteria for continued operation pending final equipment qualification; 2. establish a goal of final equipment qualification by the second refueling outage after March 31, 1982; 3. provide for extensions by the Director of NRR based on criteria established in the rule; 4. provide for a program requiring early notification of significant equipment qualification problems that may require extension requests; and 5. require that all extensions for qualification after November 30, 1985 be considered and granted by the Commission.

The staff is also requested to address seismic qualification in this rule for the reasons described by Commissioner Ahearne in his attached memorandum. The staff should also furnish the alternatives requested by Commissioner Bradford (see attached).

Attachments: As Stated

cc: Chairman Palladino Commissioner Gilinsky Commissioner Bradford Commissioner Ahearne Commissioner Roberts OGC OPE

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