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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF MEETING WITH NUMARC AND INPO REPRESENTATIVES
REGARDING NRC REQUALIFICATION ALTERNATIVES

A meeting was held with representatives of NUMARC and INPO on August 9, 1988, to discuss alternative approaches to direct NRC involvement in facility requalification programs. Victor Stello, Jr. gave a presentation outlining the purpose and objectives which must be achieved by an acceptable approach. Jack Roe then presented an outline of an alternative approach utilizing industry involvement in place of direct NRC examinations. Handouts distributed at the meeting are enclosed, as is a list of attendees. A follow-up meeting was scheduled for August 31, 1988 to discuss specific details of this proposal.

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SUMMARY OF NUMARC/INPO MEETING

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PURPOSE FOR MEETING

- EXPLORE ALTERNATIVES FOR CONDUCTING LICENSED OPERATOR'S REQUALIFICATION EXAMINATIONS

BACKGROUND

- RULE REQUIRES NRC TO ADMINISTER EXAMS
- INPO SECOND ROUND ACCREDITATION
- FOCUS ON REQUAL (11TH PROGRAM)
- EMPHASIS ON SELF-EVALUATION
- INDUSTRY ACCEPTANCE OF NEW REQUAL
EXAM METHODOLOGY

NRC/INPO ROLES

- NRC CERTIFY FACILITY OVER NEXT 2 YEARS
- SUBSEQUENT ROLE FOR NRC - MONITORS INDUSTRY EFFORT
- EXPAND INPO ROLE TO INCLUDE AN EVALUATION OF PROGRAM EFFECTIVENESS THROUGH CONDUCT OF REQUAL EXAMS
- THREE LEVELS OF FOCUS
 - IMPLEMENTATION AT FACILITY LEVEL
 - TEST/EVALUATION AT INPO LEVEL
 - OVERSIGHT AT NRC LEVEL
- NRC WOULD TAKE A MORE INTENSE FOCUS AS REGULATORY NEEDS DICTATE

PREREQUISITES FOR REQUALIFICATION PROGRAM TRANSFER TO INPO

1. VERIFY INPO'S WILLINGNESS AND ABILITY TO ASSUME TASK
2. EVALUATE AND CERTIFY THAT ALL FACILITY CONTINUING TRAINING PROGRAMS ARE SATISFACTORILY IMPLEMENTED (PASS ON INDUSTRY THAT NRC PERCEIVES IS SAT - BASED)
3. ESTABLISH INTERFACE AGREEMENT WITH INPO
 - IF PROGRAM BECAME UNSAT NRC WOULD RECERTIFY
 - NRC WOULD CONTINUE IMPLEMENTATION OF EXISTING TRAINING INSPECTION MODULES (EFFORT COMMENSURATE WITH AVAILABLE STAFF RESOURCES)

PROPOSED PRECEPTS

- NRC TO CERTIFY THAT EACH PLANT PROGRAM IS SATISFACTORY OVER NEXT TWO YEARS (PASS SAT INDUSTRY TO INPO)
- INPO WILL UNDERTAKE MOST OF EXAMINATION ACTIVITY CURRENTLY BEING CONDUCTED BY NRC
- NRC EXPECTS INPO TO CONDUCT EXAMS BASED ON NEW REQUALIFICATION EXAMINATION METHODOLOGY
- INPO WOULD ADHERE TO NRC REQUIREMENTS (REQUAL, RENEWAL)
- IF INPO FINDS PROGRAM UNSAT NRC WOULD RECERTIFY
- NRC RETAINS RIGHT TO MONITOR, REVIEW AND CONDUCT EXAMS
- INPO RESULTS WILL BE PLACED IN PDR

MEETING NRC / INPO REGUAL EXAMINATION 8/9/88

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