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MEMORANDUM FOR: G. Wayne Kerr, Director

Office of State Programs

FROM:

William J. Olmstead

Director and Chief Counsel, Regulations Division

Office of the Executive Legal Director

SUBJECT:

NOTIFICATION TO GOVERNORS' STATE DESIGNEES FOR

NO SIGNIFICANT HAZARDS CONSIDERATION, SECY-83-16B

Enclosed please find a revised draft letter to be sent to each Governor notifying him of his State's designee.

> William J. Olmstead Director and Chief Counsel Regulations Division Office of the Executive Legal Director

Enclosure: Draft Letter to Governors

cc: E. Case T. Rehm

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Dear Governor :

The Commission is preparing to adopt amendments to its regulations to reflect Public Inw 97-415, enacted on January 4, 1983. The legislation directs the Commission to promugate, within 90 days of enactment, regulations which establish (a) standards for determining whether an amendment to a facility's operating license involves no significant hazards considerations, (b) criteria for providing, or in emergency situations for dispensing with, prior notice and opportunity for public comment on such a determination, and (c) procedures for consultation on such a determination with the State in which the facility involved is located.

To implement this legislation, the Commission has prepared the enclosed interim final regulations for publication in the Federal Register. Please note that they will be effective thirty days after publication and that comments are being solicited on them within those thirty days. The Statement of Considerations in front of each regulation describes it in detail. A public announcement is also enclosed for your information.

With regard to the necessary State consultation procedures called for by the legislation and the regulations, Mr. (Name and Title) is the designated State contact for your State. He is presently receiving copies of all NRC licensee event reports.

Sincerely,

William J. Dircks Executive Director for Operations

Enclosures: As stated

cc: State Liaison Officer

State Designee