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MEMORANDUM TO: Samuel J. Collins, Director  
Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation

FROM: Ashok C. Thadani, Director *Ashok C. Thadani*  
Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research

SUBJECT: REVIEW AND CONCURRENCE ON PROPOSED  
AMENDMENTS TO 10 CFR PARTS 21, 50, AND 54;  
REGARDING USE OF AN ALTERNATE SOURCE TERM AT  
OPERATING REACTORS

In a memorandum dated October 9, 1998, you requested RES concurrence on a Commission paper entitled "Proposed Amendments to 10 CFR Parts 21, 50, And 54; Regarding Use of an Alternate Source Term at Operating Reactors."

This memorandum is to inform you that we have reviewed the draft Commission paper and attached rulemaking package. I concur in this paper, with the attached comments. (These comments have been discussed with your staff and I understand that they are acceptable to them.) I request that you inform me of any significant changes made as a result of ACRS or CRGR review, prior to sending this package to the EDO. |||

cc: Jack Roe, NRR

Attachment: As stated

- f. A public announcement will be issued (Attachment 6); and
- g. Copies of the Federal Register Notice of Proposed Rulemaking will be distributed to all Commission power reactor licensees. The notice will be sent to other interested parties upon request.

William D. Travers  
Executive Director  
For Operations

- Attachments: 1. Federal Register Notice of Proposed Rulemaking  
2. Draft Regulatory Analysis  
3. Draft Environment Assessment and Draft Finding of No Significant Impact  
4. Draft Congressional Letters  
5. Draft Public Announcement

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- d. The Chief Counsel for Advocacy of the Small Business Administration will be notified of the Commission's determination, pursuant to the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 605(b)), that this proposed rule will not have a significant economic effect on a substantial number of small entities;
- e. The appropriate Congressional committees will be informed (Attachment 4);
- f. A public announcement will be issued (Attachment 5); and
- g. Copies of the Federal Register Notice of Proposed Rulemaking will be distributed to all Commission power reactor licensees. The notice will be sent to other interested parties upon request.

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