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MEMORANDUM FOR: James G. Keppler, Director
Office of Special Projects

FROM: Victor Stello, Jr.
Executive Director for Operations

SUBJECT: CPRRG RECOMMENDATIONS.

Notwithstanding your intention to resolve the Category I CPRRG recommendations, a plan and schedule for completing* the CPRRG recommendations assigned to your office must be developed and submitted to me by September 11, 1987.

Victor Stello, Jr.
Executive Director for Operations

cc: C. Grimes ✓

* ie, you have to separate out the issues
you are going to address (identify them) & tell me
when you are going to deal with them.

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SPECIAL INQUIRY ON NRC MATTERS COMPLETED

Nuclear Regulatory Commission Chairman Lando W. Zech, Jr., announced today that the NRC has received a report from David C. Williams of the General Accounting Office concerning a special inquiry conducted by Mr. Williams into three internal matters of concern to NRC and the Congress. Mr. Williams, head of GAO's Office of Special Investigations, conducted the independent inquiry at the request of the Commission. His report was made public today by the NRC.

In releasing the report, Chairman Zech said:

"David Williams has performed an important service to the Commission. I agree with his comment that the important mission and critical safety role of the NRC require that it possess a first-rate investigative capability with resources that will assure the NRC's ability to perform its function in a professional, competent manner. I am pleased that Mr. Williams' investigation found that the evidence does not support the allegation of improper discussions between the Executive Director for Operations and an official of TVA. I also am pleased that no evidence was developed to indicate that substantive changes were made in the Office of Inspector and Auditor investigative report on the Comanche Peak matter during the review and editing stage. The Williams report recognizes that we already have reviewed the policies and procedures for handling allegations involving Commissioners and their offices. The Commission will give careful consideration to Mr. Williams' entire report in our continuing efforts to assure that we carry out our investigative responsibilities fairly and efficiently."

Mr. Williams' inquiry at NRC focused on the adequacy of an Office of Inspector and Auditor (OIA) investigation of allegations of staff misconduct involving the Comanche Peak plant under construction in Texas; the adequacy of an OIA investigation of allegations of improper communication between Victor Stello, NRC Executive Director for Operations, and Steven White of the Tennessee Valley Authority; and the circumstances under which Mid-South Utilities obtained an internal NRC document that appears to have come from the files of Commissioner Thomas Roberts' office, and the subsequent handling of that matter.

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