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UNITED STATES  
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MEMORANDUM TO: Chairman Jackson  
Commissioner Dicus  
Commissioner Diaz  
Commissioner McGaffigan

No objection.

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FROM: L. Joseph Callan *L. Callan*  
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SUBJECT: COMBINED LICENSE REVIEW PROCESS

This memorandum requests the Commission's approval to seek public comment on the attached draft SECY paper and announce the availability of this paper in the Federal Register. The staff sent an earlier version of the attached paper to the Commission and the industry in April 1993, and it briefed the Advisory Committee on Reactor Safeguards (ACRS) on the earlier version in May 1993. After receiving comments from the industry and the ACRS, the staff made substantial changes to a subsequent version of the paper dated July 31, 1995. The most significant of these changes were: removing a proposed license condition regarding detailed design drawings; removing any mention of hold points in the construction inspection process; and revising the format of the generic combined license. In COMSECY-95-028, dated September 14, 1995, the Commission directed the staff to assess the comments on the design certification rulemakings for the evolutionary designs before publishing this paper for additional public comments.

The staff updated the draft SECY paper to reflect current information and made one significant change to the generic combined license. The change was made to the expiration date for the combined license, under advice from the General Counsel, to conform with the Energy Policy Act of 1992. The staff proposes to publish a notice of availability of the attached draft SECY paper in the Federal Register for a 120-day comment period and place it in the Public Document Room, 10 days after the date of this memorandum.

SECY, please track.

Attachments: 1. Draft SECY paper, "Combined License Review Process"  
2. Federal Register Notice

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