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MEMORANDUM TO: Brooke Poole Clark
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SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS – COMSECY-25-0007 –
WITHDRAWING THE ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE POLICY
STATEMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE STRATEGY

In order to comply with recent Executive Orders,¹ the Commission has approved publication of a notice in the *Federal Register* withdrawing the NRC's Policy Statement on the Treatment of Environmental Justice Matters in NRC Regulatory and Licensing Actions (EJ Policy Statement) and the Commission's Environmental Justice Strategy (EJ Strategy). The Commission directs the staff to take a comprehensive review of the NRC's environmental regulations, guidance, and training materials to remove references to Environmental Justice (EJ) and provide a rulemaking plan to the Commission, if the staff identifies a need for rulemaking to remove EJ references in NRC regulations, within four months. The Commission also directs the staff to refrain from explicitly addressing EJ in its reviews under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) and ensure that those reviews fully comply with the requirements of NEPA.

cc: Chairman Wright
Commissioner Caputo
Commissioner Hanson
Commissioner Crowell
Commissioner Marzano
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¹ Initial Rescissions of Harmful Executive Orders and Actions, Exec. Order No. 14148, 90 Fed. Reg. 8237 (Jan. 20, 2025); Ending Illegal Discrimination and Restoring Merit-Based Opportunity, Exec. Order No. 14173, 90 Fed. Reg. 8633 (Jan. 21, 2025); Ending Radical and Wasteful Government DEI Programs and Preferencing, Exec. Order No. 14151, 90 Fed. Reg. 8339 (Jan. 21, 2025).