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MEMORANDUM TO: L. Joseph Callan  
Executive Director for Operations

FROM: *John C. Hoyle*  
John C. Hoyle, Secretary

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - SECY-98-172 - PROPOSED RULE:  
"CERTIFICATION RENEWAL AND AMENDMENT  
PROCESSES," 10 CFR PART 76

The Commission has approved publication of the notice of proposed rulemaking for public comment subject to the changes provided in the attachment. The attachment also contains changes which should be included in the letter to Congress and the press release.

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Attachment:  
As stated

cc: Chairman Jackson  
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### **Changes to the Federal Register Notice**

1. On page 1, line 10, place 'significant' in quotations marks.
2. On page 3, line 1, replace '(GAPs)' with '(GDPs).' In line 15, place 'significant' in quotation marks.
3. On page 5, paragraph 2, line 6, insert 'current distinction between' before 'significant.' On line 7, replace 'designation' with 'and not significant proposed activities.'
4. On page 8, last paragraph, line 2, insert 'redundant' before 'phrase.'

### **Change to the Congressional Letter**

At the end of the second paragraph, add the following sentence. "The public's opportunity to follow each licensing action remains the same because licensing documents are placed in the Commission's Public Document Room, and the public continues to have an opportunity to file a petition for review."

### **Changes to the Press Release**

1. On page 1, item (1), line 3, delete the comma after 'if' and move 'if' to after 'example.' In line 4, delete the comma.
2. On page 1, item (2), last line, insert 'directly' after 'appealed.'
3. On page 2, insert a new item (3): "Eliminate the current distinction between "significant" and "not significant" amendments." Renumber the remaining items.
4. On page 2, new item (4), line 2, delete 'and.' In line 3, after 'decisions' add a comma followed by 'and increase the Commission's review time from 60 to 90 days.'