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SECRETARY MEMORANDUM FOR:

William D. Travers Executive Director for Operations

Annette Vietti-Cook, Secretary

SUBJECT:

FROM:

STAFF REQUIREMENTS - AFFIRMATION SESSION, 9:55 A.M., WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25, 1999, COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE ROOM, ONE WHITE FLINT NORTH, ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND (OPEN TO PUBLIC ATTENDANCE)

I. <u>SECY-99-174 - Final Rule: Expand Applicability of 10 CFR Part 72 to Holders of, and</u> Applicants for, Certificates of Compliance, and Their Contractors and Subcontractors

The Commission approved a final rule, subject to the attached changes, which amends 10 CFR Part 72 to clarify the regulatory requirements imposed on holders of, and applicants for, certificates of compliance under this part. The Commission has not approved the extension of NRC requirements under Part 72, Subpart G, to contractors and subcontractors.

Following incorporation of the attached changes, the <u>Federal Register</u> notice should be reviewed by the Rules Review and Directives Branch in the Office of Administration and forwarded to the Office of the Secretary for signature and publication.

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Chairman Dicus CC: **Commissioner Diaz Commissioner McGaffigan Commissioner Merrifield** EDO OGC CIO CFO OCAA OCA OIG OPA Office Directors, Regions, ACRS, ACNW, ASLBP (via E-Mail) PDR - Advance DCS - P1-17

Attachment 1

Changes to the 10 CFR Part 72 Rulemaking Package in SECY-99-174

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- 1. On page 1, in the first sentence, replace 'its regulations' with '10 CFR Part 72' so it reads ' ... (NRC) is amending its regulations 10 CFR Part 72 to clarify the'
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Changes to the Policy Statement

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