

AFFIRMATION VOTE

RESPONSE SHEET

TO: Annette Vietti-Cook, Secretary
FROM: COMMISSIONER DIAZ
SUBJECT: SECY-99-268 - FINAL RULE -- AP600 DESIGN
CERTIFICATION

Approved *LD* Disapproved _____ Abstain _____
Not Participating _____

COMMENTS:

See attached comments. *LD*

Nils J. Diaz *Nils J. Diaz*
SIGNATURE _____
12/6/99
DATE _____

Entered on "AS" Yes No _____

COMMISSIONER DIAZ' COMMENTS ON SECY-99-268

I approve the staff's recommendation to publish the final rule that will amend 10 CFR Part 52 to certify the AP600 standard plant design. I also approve the final environmental assessment. The staff is to be commended for its thorough and timely review of this application.

As it did in the proposed rule published in the Federal Register (64 FR 27626), the staff should discuss in the supplementary information that Section VIII.B.5 (the 10 CFR 50.59-like change process) may be revised in the future as part of the Part 52 rulemaking. This future revision should make the change process for Part 52 compatible with the recent revisions to 10 CFR 50.59.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'LD', is written below the text.