

August 7, 1995

MEMORANDUM TO: James M. Taylor
Executive Director for Operations

FROM: Andrew L. Bates, Acting Secretary /s/

SUBJECT: SECY-95-174 - U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY
COMMISSION ASSISTANCE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
ENERGY ON REGULATORY PLANS FOR PLUTONIUM
DISPOSITION ALTERNATIVES

The Commission (Chairman Jackson, exercising delegated authority pursuant to a delegation from the Commission*, in accordance with NRC Reorganization Plan No. 1 of 1980) has disapproved the staff recommendation to decline the request from DOE for support in review of regulatory plans for plutonium disposition alternatives. The staff should seek a reimbursable agreement to perform the requested work and consider if delay of the current mission directed work could be mitigated by using contract support in place of the NRC FTEs which would be redirected to plutonium disposition matters. The staff should keep the Commission informed of efforts in this matter.

(EDO)

(SECY Suspense: 8/11/95)

cc: Chairman Jackson
Commissioner Rogers
OGC
OCA
OIG
Office Directors, Regions, ACRS, ACNW, ASLBP (via E-Mail)

* This decision was made after consultation with Commissioner Rogers, who has stated his agreement with the result announced here.

SECY NOTE: THIS SRM, SECY-95-174, AND THE VOTE SHEETS FOR
CHAIRMAN JACKSON AND COMMISSIONER ROGERS WILL BE
MADE PUBLICLY AVAILABLE 5 WORKING DAYS FROM THE
DATE OF THIS SRM.