

NOTATION VOTE

RESPONSE SHEET

TO: Annette Vietti-Cook, Secretary
FROM: CHAIRMAN JACZKO
SUBJECT: SECY-09-0075 – SAFETY CULTURE POLICY
STATEMENT

Approved X Disapproved _____ Abstain _____

Not Participating _____

COMMENTS: Below ___ Attached X None ___



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Entered on "STARS" Yes x No ___

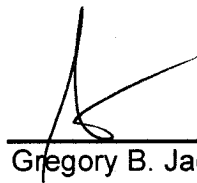
**Chairman Jaczko's Vote on SECY-09-0075
Safety Culture Policy Statement**

I approve of the staff's recommendation to publish the draft Safety Culture Policy Statement as an FRN for a 75-day public comment period to facilitate additional discussions with stakeholders and interested parties before developing a draft final policy statement.

I commend the staff for their excellent outreach efforts thus far on developing this draft Safety Culture Policy Statement. I think the staff has used a great mix of traditional methods of soliciting comments, such as a public workshop and federal register notices. I also am pleased to hear about some of the newer methods the staff has been using to communicate and intends to use as they move forward – including the “webinar.” Making sure we do our best to hear a broad range of concerns and ideas is the best way to ensure that the ultimate path the agency chooses is well informed and effective. I am also pleased to see that the recommendation contained in a staff non-concurrence will be included in the questions for the public to consider. I think the Commission is well served by being able to consider broad perspectives on issues of policy.

The recent Commission meeting provided a good opportunity to discuss many of the considerations before the Commission. I think it is important to draw the distinction that in this paper we are focusing on the first step of establishing a draft Safety Culture Policy Statement. After finalizing the Safety Culture Policy Statement, the Commission and staff could then consider if any updates to the Reactor Oversight Process and materials oversight are needed. I concur with the staff's conclusion that this is the time to continue to engage the Agreement States for their ideas and comments seeking ways to increase the attention of materials licensees to safety culture. Additionally, the staff should consider incorporating suppliers and vendors of safety related components into the Safety Culture Policy Statement.

There should be no doubt that it is the responsibility of each licensee or certificate holder to develop and maintain a positive safety culture. Nonetheless, this does not diminish our role as the regulatory agency to continue to maintain our independent oversight role in this important area.



Gregory B. Jaczko

6/5/09

Date