

May 31, 2001

MEMORANDUM William D. Travers
TO: Executive Director for Operations
FROM: Annette Vietti-Cook, Secretary **/RA/**
SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - SECY-01-0071 - EXPANDED NRC PARTICIPATION IN THE USE OF THE INTERNATIONAL NUCLEAR EVENT SCALE

The Commission has approved Alternative 4 -- full participation in the International Nuclear Event Scale.

The staff noted that Alternative 4 "would affect certain options that will be offered to the Commission in the National Materials Program paper that would terminate NRC tracking of Agreement State events." While the Commission will ultimately decide on the impact related to tracking Agreement State events when the National Materials Program options are presented, at this point, the Commission is not inclined to support options that would involve terminating the tracking of Agreement State events.

cc: Chairman Meserve
Commissioner Dicus
Commissioner Diaz
Commissioner McGaffigan
Commissioner Merrifield
OGC
CFO
OCA
OIG
OPA
Office Directors, Regions, ACRS, ACNW, ASLBP (via E-Mail)
PDR