

March 8, 1996

MEMORANDUM TO: James M. Taylor
Executive Director for Operations

FROM: John C. Hoyle, Secretary /s/

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - BRIEFING BY ORGANIZATION OF AGREEMENT STATES, 10:00 A.M., MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1996, COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE ROOM, ONE WHITE FLINT NORTH, ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND (OPEN TO PUBLIC ATTENDANCE)

The Commission was briefed by representatives of the Organization of Agreement States (OAS). The Commission suggested that OAS 1) continue to work with the NRC staff to develop an effective mechanism for providing early interaction on rulemakings which affect Agreement States; 2) provide specific examples of difficulties encountered with NRC regulations, provide specific justifications for comments and positions which disagree with proposed NRC actions, and provide specific alternatives to NRC proposed actions when disagreement exists; and 3) help the NRC understand Agreement State resource commitments.

The staff should coordinate with OAS in working on the suggestions listed above.

The staff should request 1) specific examples from the Agreement States of the type of cost benefit analyses which States prepare to support State rulemaking actions, 2) the identification of information and analyses that States believe are needed to support State rulemaking actions which are adopted by States to maintain rules that are compatible with NRC rules, and 3) information from Agreement States to identify how the States can help to provide both data and analyses to help ensure NRC value impact analyses include information and analyses which also will address State needs.

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