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MEMORANDUM TO: R. W. Borchardt  
Executive Director for Operations

FROM: Annette Vietti-Cook, Secretary **/RA/**

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS – BRIEFING ON PROPOSED RULE TO REVISE THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW FOR RENEWAL OF NUCLEAR POWER PLANT OPERATING LICENSES (PART 51), 1:00 P.M., WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2012, COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE ROOM, ONE WHITE FLINT NORTH, ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND (OPEN TO PUBLIC ATTENDANCE)

The Commission was briefed by the NRC staff and a panel of external stakeholders on the proposed rule to revise the environmental review for renewal of nuclear power plant operating licenses (Part 51). The panel of external stakeholders included Ralph Andersen, Senior Director, Radiation Safety and Environmental Protection, Nuclear Energy Institute; Jack Bailey, Vice President, Nuclear Generation Development, Tennessee Valley Authority; Phillip Musegaas, Hudson River Program Director, Riverkeeper; and Robert Snook, Connecticut Assistant Attorney General.

The staff should provide the Commission information about how the Connecticut emergency plan and the Federally approved emergency plan for the Indian Point site may deviate from each other, and how any deviations are resolved among the NRC, FEMA, and the States. In addition, the staff should inform the Commission of whether the environmental impacts of an evacuation and displaced population are considered in approving and maintaining emergency plans. This information should include a discussion of the roles of the NRC, FEMA, and the States with regard to the off site emergency preparedness under existing MOUs.

The staff should consider the request to reopen the public comment period on the proposed rule to allow stakeholders to supplement comments previously provided or provide new comments in light of events that have occurred since the public comment period closed. The staff should inform the Commission of its decision.

The staff should provide the requested information to the Commission in a Commissioner Assistants Note.

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