June 30, 2005

MEMORANDUM TO: Commissioner Jaczko

FROM: Annette Vietti-Cook, Secretary /RA/

SUBJECT: COMGBJ-05-0001 - IMPROVING TRANSPARENCY IN THE 10

CFR SEC. 20.2002 PROCESS

This memorandum is to inform you that the Commission has disapproved your specific proposal for improving transparency in the 10 CFR § 20.2002 process, but requested additional information to enhance pubic understanding of 10 CFR § 20.2002 approvals as noted in the attached SRM.

This completes action on COMGBJ-05-0001

Attachment: As stated

cc: Chairman Diaz

Commissioner McGaffigan Commissioner Merrifield Commissioner Lyons

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MEMORANDUM TO: Luis A. Reves

Executive Director for Operations

Karen D. Cyr General Counsel

FROM: Annette L. Vietti-Cook, Secretary /RA/

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - COMGBJ-05-0001 - IMPROVING

TRANSPARENCY IN THE 10 CFR SEC. 20.2002 PROCESS

The staff, working with OGC, should develop options to enhance public understanding and awareness of 10 CFR 20.2002 approvals and provide recommendations to the Commission within 180 days of the issuance of the SRM for this action. The staff's recommendations should identify potential adverse impacts on the NRC's well-established regulatory framework. One approach the staff should consider would be to maintain an NRC webpage with an easily accessible, current listing of 20.2002 requests with information or links related to NEPA reviews. The staff should encourage stakeholder input by individuals who may be directly affected by an NRC decision to approve a request pursuant to 10 CFR 20.2002, to further ensure informed staff decisions on such approvals.

(EDO/OGC) (SECY Suspense: 12/28/05)

cc: Chairman Diaz

Commissioner McGaffigan Commissioner Merrifield Commissioner Jaczko Commissioner Lyons

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