August 25, 2005

MEMORANDUM TO: Luis A. Reyes

Executive Director for Operations

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

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - SECY-05-0146 - PROPOSED

REORGANIZATION OF THE OFFICE OF NUCLEAR REACTOR

REGULATION

The Commission has approved the staff's recommendations to reorganize the Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation (NRR) and to exceed the staff-to-supervisor ratio of 8.5:1 temporarily during the transition to the final organization. The staff should implement the reorganization in October 2005.

Although new reactor licensing work is important to ensure that any new reactors built in this country are as safe as, if not safer than, the current fleet of operating plants, NRR managers should not lose sight of the day-to-day business of overseeing the currently operating reactors to ensure they continue to operate safely.

The staff should ensure that new hires have appropriate supervisory oversight and mentoring in their work assignments.

cc: Chairman Diaz

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