October 8, 2003

MEMORANDUM TO: William D. Travers

**Executive Director for Operations** 

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

Acting For/

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - SECY-03-0106 - UPDATE ON

PROPOSED RULE CHANGES TO 10 CFR 40.51

This is to advise you that the Commission has not objected to the staff's proposal to postpone further action on the final rule amending 10 CFR 40.51 until the Commission has an opportunity to review associated issues that could impact the action taken in the final rule. The staff should continue their current practice of reviewing licensees' requests for transfer or disposal of unimportant quantities of source material under §40.13(a), and, when justified, issue case-specific exemptions based on previous Commission guidance.

cc: Chairman Diaz

Commissioner McGaffigan Commissioner Merrifield

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