

May 14, 2004

MEMORANDUM TO: William D. Travers  
Executive Director for Operations

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

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - SECY-04-0071 - PROPOSED  
PROGRAM TO IMPROVE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE  
NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION INSPECTIONS OF  
DESIGN ISSUES

The Commission has approved the proposed methodology for conducting a pilot program in the design/engineering area. The Commission is prepared to support additional resources and a more aggressive program if the results of the initial pilot inspections warrant.

cc: Chairman Diaz  
Commissioner McGaffigan  
Commissioner Merrifield  
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