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MEMORANDUM TO: Chairman Meserve

Commissioner Dicus Commissioner Diaz

Commissioner McGaffigan Commissioner Merrifield

FROM: Jesse L. Funches /s/

Chief Financial Officer

SUBJECT: DRAFT NUCLEAR REACTOR SAFETY CHAPTER OF THE STRATEGIC PLAN

On July 7, 1999, I provided the Commission with the draft Nuclear Reactor Safety chapter of the Strategic Plan and asked approval to release the document to stakeholders for public comment and in preparation for the August stakeholder's workshop (COMSECY-99-024). The August 2, 1999, Staff Requirements Memorandum (SRM) on COMSECY-99-024 approved seeking stakeholder comments and directed the staff to address a number of issues concerning that draft chapter.

On October 21, 1999, I provided the Commission with a summary of the stakeholder comments on the draft Nuclear Reactor Safety chapter and the staff responses to those comments as well as to the items in the August 2, 1999, SRM. At that time, I had indicated that we planned to provide the revised draft Nuclear Reactor Safety chapter along with the complete draft strategic plan to the Commission in February 2000. However, we are able to provide the revised draft Nuclear Reactor Safety chapter of the Strategic Plan (Attachment 1 ) earlier than anticipated. This draft reflects revisions made to respond to stakeholder comments and items in the

August 2, 1999, SRM. In developing this revised draft, the staff also considered progress on the Nuclear Waste Safety and Nuclear Materials Safety chapters in further refining strategies and measures for all four performance goals.

The Executive Council has reviewed the draft Nuclear Reactor Safety chapter and has approved its transmittal to the Commission. As with the Nuclear Waste Safety and Nuclear Materials Safety chapters, the Commission need not formally endorse the Nuclear Reactor Safety chapter until it is provided as part of the formal update of the entire strategic plan.

However, since the staff will continue to improve the Nuclear Reactor Safety chapter and harmonize it with the mission chapters, we would appreciate early Commission feedback on significant issues of concern.

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Attachment E: As stated

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