

September 18, 2000

MEMORANDUM TO: Chairman Meserve
Commissioner Dicus
Commissioner Diaz
Commissioner McGaffigan
Commissioner Merrifield

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SUBJECT: HOUSE COMMERCE MARKUP OF H.R. 2641

On September 14, 2000, the House Commerce Committee passed a "lite" version of H.R. 2641, "To make technical corrections to Title X of the Energy Policy Act of 1992," which had been introduced earlier by Representatives Barbara Cubin (R-WY) and Steve Largent (R-OK). H.R. 2641 is concerned with the cleanup of radioactive contamination from the operation of uranium and thorium milling operations. The "lite" version that passed merely would extend the dates in Title X, including extending the authority for Title X cleanups from 2002 to 2007. This is similar to legislation that was considered, but not acted upon, in the last Congress.

The Senate Energy Committee plans to hold a hearing on September 20, 2000, on S. 2933, the Senate companion version of H.R. 2641 introduced by Senator Don Nickles (R-OK). OCA will attend the hearing.

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