

April 3, 2002

MEMORANDUM TO: William D. Travers  
Executive Director for Operations

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

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS - SECY-02-0044 - ANNUAL STATUS  
REPORT FOR FY 2001 ON THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE  
NRC'S REQUALIFICATION PROGRAM AND THE RESULTS OF  
INITIAL OPERATOR LICENSING EXAMINATIONS

This is to advise you that the Commission has disapproved the staff's recommendation to discontinue the preparation of the annual status report on the administration of NRC's requalification program.

In the next report, the staff should evaluate the continuing issues associated with ensuring consistency in examination quality across licensees and examination developers. The staff should also provide additional information regarding the implementation of the operator requalification significance determination process in next year's report.

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(SECY Suspense:

3/14/03)

If the stabilization of the program improvements implemented in the NRC initial licensed operator program and the requalification program continue, the staff should make a recommendation on discontinuation of the requirement for the annual report next year.

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