

September 2, 2003

MEMORANDUM TO: Licensing Support Network Advisory Review Panel (LSNARP) Members

FROM: Dr. Andrew Bates /RA/
Chairman, LSNARP

SUBJECT: NRC RESPONSE TO COMMENTS FROM JUNE 3, 2003 LSNARP
MEETING AND PLANNED NRC ACTIONS

I want to thank all of you who provided comments as a follow up to the June 3 meeting. Attached are the NRC's responses to the comments received. These responses also take into consideration the discussions at the LSNARP meeting.

In its comments, DOE alluded to new technical solutions beyond the specifics it presented and DOE has since suggested further technical exchanges using the LSNARP as a vehicle. In addition, NEI offered assistance on some of the more difficult technical issues (e.g., crawl speed). In the enclosed NRC response to comments, LSNARP members will find additional information that will hopefully clarify many of the issues. If members feel that there is a need for additional technical exchanges, NRC requests that the LSNARP members submit not only proposals for technical topics to be discussed, but specific solutions supported by technical details so that the NRC and other LSNARP members can understand the full scope of the matters proposed. The NRC will consider such requests, and will work with the participants to form an agenda for any future LSNARP meeting, if needed. However, LSNARP members should be aware that (1) the current internet based LSN and Electronic Information Exchange systems have been discussed and under development for several years; and (2) there are time and funding constraints that may preclude new technical solutions and systems in the near term. Please temper your requests accordingly.

Attachment: As stated