

July 17, 2006

MEMORANDUM TO: Eliot Brenner
Director, Office of Public Affairs

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SUBJECT: STATUS OF RECOMMENDATIONS: AUDIT OF NRC'S
CONTROLS OVER VIDEO NEWS RELEASES
(OIG-06-A-05)

REFERENCE: DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS,
MEMORANDUM DATED JULY 5, 2006

Attached is the Office of the Inspector General's analysis and status of recommendations 1 and 2, as discussed in the agency's response dated July 5, 2006. Based on this information, recommendations 1 and 2 are closed. All recommendations related to this report are now closed.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at 415-5915.

Attachment: Status of Recommendations

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Status of Recommendations

Recommendation 1: Establish a written NRC policy concerning video news releases that defines identification requirements and designates a central authority to verify application of the requirements.

Response Dated
July 5, 2006:

In a June 8 memorandum from the Secretary, the Commission approved a policy statement and modifications to Management Directives 5.5 and 3.15 that give approval authority of video news releases to the Office of Public Affairs, in consultation with the General Counsel, and final approval, when necessary, by the Chairman. The changes will be made to the management directives and a yellow announcement to all employees will be issued shortly.

OIG Analysis:

OIG reviewed the July 6, 2006, yellow announcement titled, "Policy on Video News Releases" and the approved modifications to Management Directives 5.5 and 3.15 and found that both the yellow announcement and the proposed changes provide clear direction to NRC staff on the agency's policy concerning video news releases. This recommendation is therefore closed.

Status: Closed.

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Status of Recommendations

Recommendation 2: Communicate the Federal video news release policy to all NRC offices.

Response Dated
July 5, 2006:

A yellow announcement to all NRC employees on the Federal policy and the NRC's policy on video news releases will be issued.

OIG Analysis:

OIG reviewed the yellow announcement, dated July 6, 2006, and found it clearly conveys NRC's policy concerning video news releases. This recommendation is therefore closed.

Status:

Closed.