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OFFICE OF THE
SECRETARY

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MEMORANDUM TO: James M. Taylor
Executive Director for Operations

FROM: John C. Hoyle, Secretary

SUBJECT: SECY-95-061 - NEED FOR A BACKFIT RULE FOR
MATERIALS LICENSEES

The Commission (with all Commissioners agreeing) has approved the staff recommendation not to extend generically the backfit rule to materials licensees at this time. As part of the materials licensing reevaluation program, the staff should consider the applicability of a backfit provision to particular classes of licensees (e.g., uranium mills).

The staff should ensure that regulatory requirements applied to facilities other than reactors are well-founded in protection of public health and safety without being overly burdensome.

cc: The Chairman
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