

November 7, 2013

MEMORANDUM TO: Stephen D. Dingbaum
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FROM: K. Steven West, Chairman **/RA/**
Committee to Review Generic Requirements

SUBJECT: STATUS OF RECOMMENDATIONS: AUDIT OF THE
COMMITTEE TO REVIEW GENERIC REQUIREMENTS
(OIG-09-A-06)

This is an update to the March 13, 2013, memorandum issued to you (Agency Documents Access and Management System [ADAMS] Accession No. ML13064A165) that provided the status of the following recommendation as outlined in your memorandum of April 30, 2013 (ADAMS Accession No. ML13120A060):

- Recommendation 1

Develop, document, implement, and communicate an agencywide process for reviewing backfit issues to ensure that generic backfits are appropriately justified based on U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) regulations and policy. Due date: September 2011.

On October 28, 2013, the Office of Administration (ADM) notified the Committee to Review Generic Requirements (CRGR) that the Executive Director for Operations signed the draft final Management Directive (MD) 8.4, "Management of Facility-specific Backfitting and Information Collection" on October 9, 2013, and ADM issued the subject document on October 28, 2013. At this point, the CRGR completed its responsibilities with regards to the issuance of the revised MD 8.4.

The CRGR, in cooperation with the Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer (OCHCO), continues to work to establish a centralized agency resource for backfit training. On March 11, 2013, OCHCO provided an electronic version of the backfit training modules to the CRGR and the Office of the General Counsel (OGC) for their review.

After review by the CRGR and OGC, it was determined that the backfit training modules as provided by OCHCO should be expanded in scope and depth to better meet the agency's backfit training needs. Recently, on November 6, 2013, the CRGR, OGC, and OCHCO had a meeting with other major stakeholders to discuss and obtain input regarding further

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