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MEMORANDUM TO: Mark A. Satorius
Executive Director for Operations

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

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS – BRIEFING ON THE NRC STAFF'S
RECOMMENDATIONS TO DISPOSITION FUKUSHIMA NEAR-
TERM TASK FORCE (NTTF) RECOMMENDATION 1 ON
IMPROVING NRC'S REGULATORY FRAMEWORK, 9:00 A.M.,
FRIDAY, JANUARY 10, 2014, COMMISSIONERS'
CONFERENCE ROOM, ONE WHITE FLINT NORTH,
ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND (OPEN TO PUBLIC ATTENDANCE)

The Commission was briefed by the NRC staff and a panel of external stakeholders on the NRC staff's recommendations to disposition Fukushima Near-Term Task Force (NTTF) recommendation 1 on improving NRC's regulatory framework. The external panel included Anthony Pietrangelo, Senior Vice President and Chief Nuclear Officer, Nuclear Energy Institute; Roy Linthicum, Chairman, Pressurized Water Reactor (PWR) Owners Group Risk Management Subcommittee, and Senior Staff Engineer, Exelon Nuclear; James Lyons, Director, Division of Nuclear Installation Safety, Department of Nuclear Safety and Security, International Atomic Energy Agency; and Ed Lyman, Senior Scientist, Global Security Program, Union of Concerned Scientists.

The Commission commends the staff for the tremendous work that has been done following the Fukushima disaster, and notes that this work has enhanced safety.

Consistent with previous Commission direction provided in the SRMs for the FY 13 and FY 14 budget proposals, the staff should devise and implement an approach to utilize an appropriate portion of the NRC University Grants and Integrated University programs to support students and faculty and develop programs in order to further probabilistic risk assessment (PRA) expertise. Staff should inform the Commission of its plans for the next solicitation and with regard to any actions that may have already been taken to respond to previous Commission direction.

Additional Commission direction will be provided in the Staff Requirements Memorandum for SECY-13-0132, "U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Staff Recommendation for the Disposition of Recommendation 1 of the Near Term Task Force Report."

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