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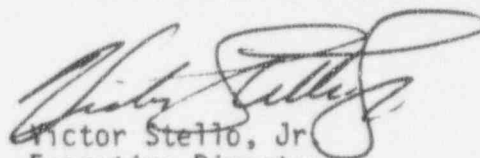
MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman Zech
Commissioner Roberts
Commissioner Carr
Commissioner Rogers
Commissioner Curtiss

FROM: Victor Stello, Jr., Executive Director for Operations

SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF SEVERE ACCIDENT POLICY FOR FUTURE LWR DESIGNS
(SECY-88-248)

The purpose of this memorandum is to withdraw our request that the Commission endorse the staff's plan for implementing the Severe Accident Policy for future LWR designs. The staff's proposal was set forth in SECY 88-248 and further clarified in my memorandum dated December 1, 1988. On December 13, 1988, we held a second public meeting on this subject that was attended by representatives of NUMARC, EPRI, GE, CE, and Westinghouse. At that meeting, we presented further details on the status and technical content of our proposed implementation plan and requested comments on this draft material by January 13, 1989. We understand that NUMARC and EPRI plan to submit comments by that date and other attendees may also. Therefore, we would like an opportunity to revise and resubmit SECY 88-248 in consideration of these comments, as well as to reflect the latest staff technical work in this area.

In addition, ACRS has requested the staff to present our proposed implementation plan to the Full Committee. The staff plans to be ready to meet with the ACRS at their February 1989 meeting. Therefore, I request that the Commission delay action on SECY 88-248 until it is revised as discussed above and resubmitted as SECY 88-248A. I expect to resubmit the subject paper by February 28, 1989.


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