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MEMORANDUM FOR: William J. Dircks
Executive Director for Operations

FROM: John G. Davis, Director
Office of Nuclear Material Safety
and Safeguards

SUBJECT: PROPOSED REVISIONS TO 10 CFR 73.71 -- REPORTING
OF SAFEGUARDS EVENTS

Enclosed for your signature is a Federal Register Notice that proposed amendments to §73.71, Reporting Requirements for Safeguards Events, to improve the clarity and effectiveness of the present rule, (Attachment 1).

In summary, the revisions to §73.71 will:

- o clarify to licensees the safeguards events that must be reported,
- o extend the period of time for submittal of licensee written reports,
- o assure standardized and sufficient report-making to assist NRC data evaluation,
- o eliminate telephonic notifications deemed unnecessary by the staff, and
- o assure a consistent and comparable level of reporting for safety and safeguards events.

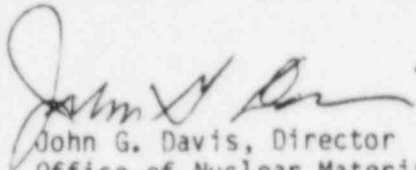
The proposed requirements of §73.71 are consistent with those of §§50.72 and 50.73. Events reported under §§50.72 and 50.73 are safety-oriented in nature; those reported under §73.71 are security-oriented. Proposed changes to §73.71 would not alter commitments made in response to the requirements of Part 50. Events of a dual nature, having both safety and safeguards impact, would not require duplicate reports. Also included as part of this rule package are conforming amendments to 10 CFR Parts 70, 72, 73 and 74 to assist in assuring consistency among reporting requirements.

Notices: This proposed rulemaking will be distributed to affected licensees and other interested persons. A revised regulatory guide (Attachment 2) will be issued concurrently with publication of this amendment. The Regulatory Analysis (Attachment 3) will be placed in the NRC Public Document Room. A public announcement will be issued (Attachment 4). The appropriate Congressional Committees will be advised of these actions (Attachment 5). A notice to the Commission that the EDO has signed this proposed rule is enclosed for inclusion in the next ~~Daily~~ Staff Notes (Attachment 6).

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Coordination: The Office of the Executive Legal Director has no legal objection and the Offices of Administration, Analysis and Evaluation of Operational Data, Inspection and Enforcement, Nuclear Reactor Regulation, and Nuclear Regulatory Research concur in the proposed amendment to 10 CFR 73.71. The Committee to Review Generic Requirements (CRGR) was briefed on this rule package on April 17, 1985. Modifications to the package have been made in response to CRGR comment. The CRGR has reviewed these modifications and has decided further CRGR consideration of this matter at this time is not necessary, (see Attachment 7).



John G. Davis, Director
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Safeguards

Attachments:

1. FR Notice of Proposed Rule-making
2. Rvsd Reg. Guide
3. Regulatory Analysis
4. Draft Public Announcement
5. Draft Congressional ltr
6. Draft Daily Staff Notes Item
7. Stello to Davis memo, dtd 7/3/85