

May 24, 2012

MEMORANDUM TO: R. W. Borchardt  
Executive Director for Operations

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

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS – SECY-12-0046 – OPTIONS FOR  
REVISING THE REGULATORY APPROACH TO GROUND  
WATER PROTECTION

The Commission has approved the staff's recommended Option 1, to continue the current regulatory approach to groundwater protection including the recently imposed additional requirements contained in the decommissioning planning rule.

The staff should solicit public comments on the technical basis and provide its evaluation of the comments to the Commission in a notation vote paper. The notation vote paper should include the pros and cons of moving forward with a proposed prompt remediation rulemaking including the staff's initial analysis of whether the cost/benefit analysis satisfies the backfit requirements.

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