

October 9, 2009

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

Stephen G. Burns
General Counsel

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

SUBJECT: STAFF REQUIREMENTS – SECY-09-0101 – LICENSING OF A
BABCOCK AND WILCOX MEDICAL ISOTOPE PRODUCTION
SYSTEM

The Commission has approved the staff's recommended response to Babcock and Wilcox.

Within the context of the existing interagency working group, the staff should engage and coordinate with other agencies, as appropriate, to identify any needed steps to ensure that the NRC is ready to provide an efficient and effective process for reviewing proposals for deployment of a medical isotope production facility, consistent with our safety mission.

In addition, the staff should consider actions, including guidance or rulemaking, that could achieve improvements to the efficiency of the agency's reviews and decisions on applications for licensing medical isotope production facilities.

cc: Chairman Jaczko
Commissioner Klein
Commissioner Svinicki
CFO
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OPA