

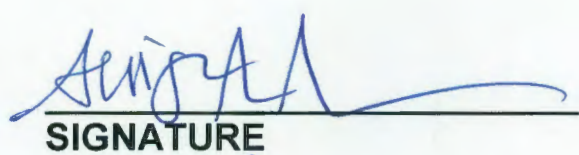
RESPONSE SHEET

TO: Annette Vietti-Cook, Secretary  
FROM: Chairman Allison M. Macfarlane  
SUBJECT: COMSECY-14-0014 – CUMULATIVE EFFECTS OF  
REGULATION AND RISK PRIORITIZATION  
INITIATIVE: UPDATE ON RECENT ACTIVITIES AND  
RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PATH FORWARD

Approved  X  Disapproved       Abstain      

Not Participating      

COMMENTS: Below       Attached  X  None      



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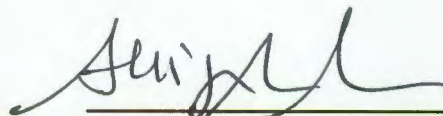
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**Chairman Macfarlane's Comments**  
**COMSECY-14-0014, "CUMULATIVE EFFECTS OF REGULATION AND RISK  
PRIORITIZATION INITIATIVE: UPDATE ON RECENT ACTIVITIES AND  
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I approve the staff's plan to merge the deliverables associated with the Cumulative Effects of Regulation (CER) and the staff's response to Staff Requirement Memorandum (SRM) COMGEA-12-0001/COMMWDM-12-0002, "Proposed Initiative to Improve Nuclear Safety and Regulatory Efficiency", commonly known as the Risk Prioritization Initiative (RPI).

I support the points made by several of my colleagues that the notation vote paper should consider regulatory process changes that would be required for a plant-specific prioritization process and should provide a discussion on how corrective actions for findings, violations, and degraded or nonconforming conditions would be treated in the process. I also agree that the staff should brief the full ACRS on the paper, provide a Commissioner Assistant's note before July 2014 covering relevant issues, and be prepared to provide individual Commissioner briefings prior to sending the notation vote paper to the Commission.

I would like to re-emphasize the need for the initiative to consider issue management and use of a backstop so that activities that enter any proposed process are not deferred for extended periods of time, or inappropriately dropped or eliminated, if the activities involved actions in response to regulatory requirements.



Allison M. Macfarlane

5/30/14

Date