

May 26, 2000

Docket No. 40-7580-MLA

MEMORANDUM FOR: Administrative Judge
 Thomas S. Moore, Presiding Officer
 Atomic Safety and Licensing Board

 Administrative Judge
 Thomas D. Murphy, Special Assistant
 Atomic Safety and Licensing Board

FROM: Eric J. Leeds, Acting Chief /RA/
 Licensing and International
 Safeguards Branch,
 Division of Fuel Cycle Safety
 and Safeguards, NMSS

SUBJECT: NEW INFORMATION POTENTIALLY RELEVANT AND
 MATERIAL TO LICENSING BOARD PROCEEDING IN THE
 MATTER OF FANSTEEL, INC. RE: REQUEST TO AMEND
 SOURCE MATERIAL LICENSE NO. SMB-911

Pursuant to the Commission Policy on Notification to Licensing Boards, Appeal Boards, or the Commission of new relevant and material information, the attached document is considered potentially relevant and material to Fansteel, Inc.'s request to amend Source Material License No. SMB-911 and is forwarded herewith as Attachment 1.

The nature of the information is as follows: By letter dated May 9, 2000, Fansteel has requested that NRC staff discontinue the review of the August 1999 Decommissioning Plan. This is a direct result of Fansteel's effort to pursue other alternatives to building an onsite containment cell. In the event that Fansteel chooses an alternate waste disposal method, the current decommissioning plan will become obsolete, and the related proceeding may not be justified. Furthermore, the State of Oklahoma's request for hearing might be withdrawn if Fansteel decides not to build an onsite containment cell.

A request for additional information providing staff's position on the future of the review is forwarded herewith as Attachment 2.

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Attachments:

1. Fansteel letter dated May 9, 2000
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dated May 17, 2000

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