July 11, 2000

Mr. John B. Shahbazin Manager, Contract Administration COGEMA, Inc. 7401 Wisconsin Avenue Bethesda, Maryland 20814-3416

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If you have any other questions, please contact Mr. Brian Horn of my staff at (301) 415-8128.

Sincerely,

Original signed by M. Warren for C. Emeigh

Charles W. Emeigh, Section Chief Safeguards Section Safety and Safeguards Support Branch Division of Fuel Cycle Safety and Safeguards, NMSS

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