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We would respectfully suggest that the most efficient way to obtain the information you seek on these research reactors is for you to forward the questionnaire directly to each facility identified in the enclosure to this letter as you do for operational facilities. We are transmitting courtesy copies of your letter and questionnaire (Enclosure 2) to our licensees with facilities shutdown or decommissioning to assist them in their evaluation of your request. Although no requirements exist, our licensees have been most cooperative in responding to similar information requests in the past.

We believe that IAEA initiatives to disseminate information on research reactors are worthwhile and appreciate these efforts.

Sincerely,

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