Mr. Roy Brown, Chairman of the Board Council on Radionuclides and Radiopharmaceuticals, Inc. 619 North Clay Kirkwood, Missouri 63122-2705

Dear Mr. Brown:

I am responding to your letter of April 5, 2001. The Commission appreciates receiving your comments and suggestions regarding the potential extension of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC's) regulatory authority to include Naturally Occurring and Accelerator-Produced Radioactive Material.

Your letter enclosing the positions of the Council on Radionuclides and Radiopharmaceuticals has been forwarded to the NRC staff for its consideration in preparing recommendations for the Commission on this matter. The Commission also will consider your comments and suggestions when it evaluates the staff's recommendations.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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cc: Dr. Henry H. Kramer 3911 Campolindo Drive Moraga, California 94556-1551