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Subject: Assignment of Review Priority to Application for Amendment No.5 to
NUHOMS® Certificate of Compliance No. 1004 for Dry Spent Fuel Storage
Casks

Reference: Application for Amendment No. 5 to NUHOMS® Certificate of Compliance No.
1004 for Dry Spent Fuel Storage Casks, TN West letter to NRC, RMG-01-028,
dated June 29,2001

Dear Ms. Karas:

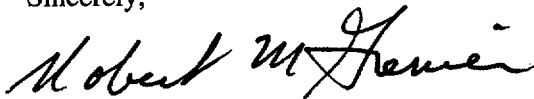
Transnuclear West (TN West) appreciates the prompt notification of the pending review priority currently proposed for the reference application. TN West is providing the following additional information to support a change to the review priority.

Transnuclear is under contract with the Nuclear Management Company for the operating Point Beach Nuclear Plant to supply the NUHOMS® -32PT DSC dry storage systems. The Point Beach power plant has an immediate need for this system to preclude loss of full core offload capability in 2003. Accordingly, Transnuclear is committed to begin fabrication of the new 32PT canisters in early 2002 to support this loading campaign.

Transnuclear West respectfully requests that the staff assigns the reference application the highest priority for review, consistent with the considerations delineated above.

Should you or your staff require additional information to support review of this application, please do not hesitate to contact Mr. U. B. Chopra at 510-744-6053 or me at 510-744-6020.

Sincerely,



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