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Mr. Timothy Kobetz Project Manager, Spent Fuel Project Office U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission 11555 Rockville Pike Rockville, MD 20852

Subject: Extension of RAI Response Date

Reference: Request for Additional Information (RAI) Regarding Approval to Store Spent Fuel in the Advanced NUHOMS<sup>®</sup> Storage System (TAC No. L23203), August 8, 2001

Dear Mr. Kobetz:

Transnuclear West (TN West) Inc. is currently preparing a comprehensive response to the issues identified in the reference RAI arising from the staff's confirmatory analyses of the thermal evaluation of the Advanced NUHOMS<sup>®</sup> System.

To allow adequate time to complete the RAI response, TN West requests an extension in the RAI response date to August 31, 2001. It is our understanding that a comprehensive response to the reference RAI from TN West is consistent with a draft CoC and SER issuance date no later than September 17, 2001.

Please contact Mr. U. B. Chopra (510-744-6053) or me (510-744-6020) if you require any additional information in support of this submittal.

Sincerely,

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Robert M. Grenier President and Chief Operating Officer

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