

September 7, 2001

Mr. Robert M. Grenier
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SUBJECT: PRELIMINARY CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE AND SAFETY EVALUATION
REPORT FOR STANDARDIZED NUHOMS® SYSTEM LOW BURN-UP FUEL
AMENDMENT (TAC NO. L23277)

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Sincerely,
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Office of Nuclear Material Safety
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