

MEMORANDUM TO: Sher Bahadur, Chief April 5, 2000
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Division of Engineering Technology
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SUBJECT: TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE REQUEST FOR THE MIXED OXIDE FUEL
FABRICATION FACILITY LICENSE REVIEW

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Project: Technical assistance in the review of the construction approval portion of a license application for a mixed oxide (MOX) fuel fabrication facility.

DOCKET/RITS/TAC Nos.: 70-3098090S / 211E / L20363 MOX Technical Review

Requested Action: The Enrichment Section of the Special Projects Branch anticipates receiving an application from Duke Engineering, Cogema Inc., and Stone & Webster (DCS) in late September 2000. The Enrichment Section will be conducting a review in accordance with NUREG-1718, "Standard Review Plan for the Review of an Application for a Mixed Oxide Fuel Fabrication Facility," which is currently available in draft. The review process will include an acceptance review as well as a safety evaluation.

I am requesting your staff's technical assistance in the area of I&C (see Chapter 11.0 of draft NUREG-1718). The review is expected to start in October, 2000. I have estimated the level of effort for FY01 and FY02 at 0.2 and 0.1 FTE, respectively.

Mr. Andrew Persinko is the Project Manager coordinating the review. I am requesting that you confirm your staff's availability to provide assistance with Mr. Persinko by April 20, 2000. Mr. Persinko will contact your staff with more detailed information regarding the review as it becomes available. The above TAC number should be referenced in future correspondence if related to this request and on the RITS Report for recording staff time expended on this effort.

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