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Dear Ms. Smith:

I am responding on behalf of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) to your letter of November 15, 2002, concerning the application of Transport Logistics to export 25,983 kilograms of depleted uranium as uranium hexafluoride to Japan as test material for the Rokkasho reprocessing facility (export license application XSOU8790).

The NRC is currently conducting its review of this export license application. This process includes consultation with Executive Branch agencies, which provide their views for Commission consideration. Green Action's arguments opposing the issuance of a license for the Rokkasho facility will be taken into account in the ongoing review.

Sincerely,

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Richard A. Meserve