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SUBJECT: U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION/U.S. DEPARTMENT OF  
ENERGY TECHNICAL EXCHANGE ON DOE OWNED SPENT NUCLEAR FUEL

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If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Tammy Bloomer, Project Manager. She can be reached at 301-415-6625.

Sincerely,  
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