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Via U.S. Mail

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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555

Subject: Funding for Fuel Conversion

References: 1) License R-33, Docket 50-73
2) Letter from J. Gutteridge, DOE, dated April 3, 2003

Gentlemen:

The General Electric Company has received notification from the Department of Energy that funding during the Fiscal Year 2003 to convert the General Electric Nuclear Test Reactor from HEU fuel to LEU fuel will not be available. A copy of the notification is attached and is submitted to fulfill the requirements of 10CFR50.64.

If there are any questions, please contact the undersigned at 925-862-4469.

Sincerely,

Chuck Bassett
Radiation Safety Officer

Attachment

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Department of Energy

Washington, DC 20585

April 3, 2003

Mr. Chuck Bassett
General Electric Company
Vallecitos Nuclear Center
6705 Vallecitos Road
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Dear Mr. Bassett:

In accordance with 10 CFR Part 50.64, "Limitations on the Use of Highly Enriched Uranium in Domestic Non-Power Reactors," you are hereby notified that Federal funding under the Department of Energy University Reactor Fuel Assistance Program for conversion of your reactor to low enrichment uranium fuel will not be available during Fiscal Year 2003.

You will be notified in the event these circumstances change.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Gutteridge", written over a horizontal line.

John Gutteridge, Program Director
for Nuclear Power Systems
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Science and Technology

