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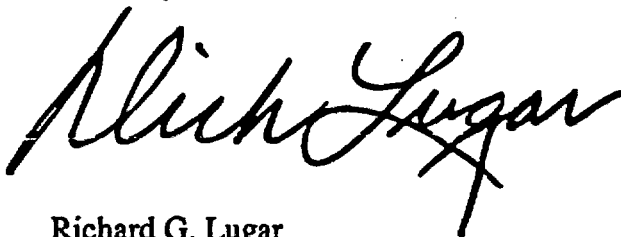
Dear Mr. Thadani:

I am writing to share with you my interest in a proposal put forth by Purdue University which has partnered with Nochar Inc., Indianapolis, Indiana. The purpose of this effort is apparently to move forward with a process to eliminate spent fuel pools at nuclear power facilities.

Purdue's School of Nuclear Engineering has an established relationship with the NRC and the Department of Energy. I understand Purdue has identified \$2.4 million needed to proceed with its work, and that Purdue and Nochar officials met with the NRC Office of Research in 2002.

I hope every consideration will be given to the merits of this worthwhile proposal.

Sincerely,



Richard G. Lugar
United States Senator

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