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MEMORANDUM TO: Lydia Roche, Chief

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Fuel Cycle Licensing Branch, NMSS/FCSS

FROM: Claudia Craig, Chief /RA/

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Decommissioning Branch, NMSS/DWM

SUBJECT: REVIEW OF GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY 2003 SELF-

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However, our recent review of the Decommissioning Plan (DP) for the Morris, Illinois independent spent fuel storage installation (GE Morris) pursuant to renewal of its License No. SNM-2500 identified an inconsistency between the cost estimates in the DP and the cost estimate reported in two previous GE self-guarantee documents. As a result of this and other findings during that review, a Request for Additional Information was prepared asking GE Morris for a revised cost estimate (see Attachment 1). Staff notes that the cost estimate in the DP for GE Morris is also inconsistent with the cost estimate reported for GE Morris in the March 20, 2003 self-guarantee. Therefore, we have included a comment consistent with the review of the GE Morris review and the Requests for Additional Information sent to GE Morris to ensure that the cost estimate provided by GE Morris and the amount of the self-guarantee provided by GE are consistent. If the revised cost estimate provided by GE Morris is different than the amount on the self-guarantee, then GE should submit revised self-guarantee documentation with the correct amount.

Our review also identified two typographical errors which should be corrected in the documentation. Our comments in the form of a Request for Additional Information are attached (Attachment 2).

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License No. SNM-960 SNM-2500

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September 6, 2002 Memorandum
Request for Additional Information

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