### July 14, 2003

#### SAFEGUARDS INFORMATION

Mrs. Franchone Oshinowo Vice President, Spent Fuel Program Edlow International Company 1666 Connecticut Ave., N.W., Suite 201 Washington, D.C. 20009

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF HIGHWAY ROUTE TO TRANSPORT SPENT NUCLEAR FUEL

FROM POTTSTOWN, PA, TO PLEASANTON, CA (NRC ROUTE NO. 197)

Dear Mrs. Oshinowo:

I am responding to your submittal of April 23, 2003, which requested the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) approve a route for transporting spent nuclear fuel (SNF) from the Limerick Nuclear Power Station in Pottstown, Pennsylvania, to the GE Vallecitos Nuclear Center in Vallecitos, California (NRC Route No. 197).

The NRC has reviewed your submittal and concluded that the information satisfies the requirements of 10 CFR 73.37. Specific details of Route No. 197 are enclosed [Enclosure 1]. Specific details of Route No. 197 combined with additional Safeguards Information are also enclosed [Enclosure 2]. Enclosure 2 will not be released to the public and you should protect it in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 73.21. Approval of Route No. 197 will expire two years from the date of this letter.

The NRC issued Interim Compensatory Measures (ICMs) for the transportation of SNF on October 3, 2002, for licensees who ship greater than 100 grams of SNF. Licensees are required to comply with the requirements of 10 CFR 73.37 and these ICMs when shipping SNF. Licensees are also required to comply with U.S. Departments of Transportation and Homeland Security regulations on the shipment of hazardous materials.

In addition, the NRC also issued Regulatory Issue Summary (RIS) 2002-12I, Rev. 1, on October 3, 2002, "Transportation of Spent Nuclear Fuel Greater than 100 Grams - NRC Threat Advisory and Protective Measures System." The RIS advised licensees shipping SNF to consider various recommendations to be taken in conjunction with changes to the national or transportation-sector threat levels.

WARNING: Violation of Section 147 of the Atomic Energy Act, "Safeguards Information" is subject to Civil and Criminal Penalties

When separated from Enclosure 2 this document is DECONTROLLED

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Should you require additional information or have questions concerning this matter, please contact Gloria Bennington of my staff at (301) 415-8183.

Sincerely,

/RA/

Glenn M. Tracy, Director Division of Nuclear Security Office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response

Docket No. 70-1252

### Enclosures:

- 1. Route No. 197 Mileage Summary
- 2. Route No. 197 Detailed Highway Route Plan

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