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July 17, 2003

SUBJECT: PROPOSED AMENDMENT NO. 7 TO CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE AND
PRELIMINARY SAFETY EVALUATION REPORT FOR THE
NUHOMS® -61BT DRY CANISTER TO THE STANDARDIZED NUHOMS®
SYSTEM (TAC NO. L23436)

Dear Mr. Chopra:

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As a result of our review of your application, the staff has prepared an amendment to the CoC and Safety Evaluation Report (SER) pursuant to the requirements of 10 CFR Part 72. Enclosed is a copy of the proposed CoC amendment and preliminary SER for TN's review and identification of inaccuracies and omissions. The Appendix A to the CoC (Technical Specifications) is available at the NRC website under the Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS); accession no. ML031950548. TN is requested to respond with any comments by close of business on July 21, 2003. Please continue to reference Docket No. 72-1004 and TAC No. L23436 in future correspondence related to this request.

If you have any comment or question, please contact me at (301) 415-1179.

Sincerely,

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ENCLOSURE 1

PROPOSED CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE

ENCLOSURE 2

PRELIMINARY SAFETY EVALUATION REPORT