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Mr. Adam Scheinman, Director  
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Dear Mr. Scheinman:

Enclosed is an application for a license (XSNM03324), recently received by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, for the export to the Republic of Korea (ROK) of low-enriched uranium in the form of uranium dioxide pellets, encapsulated in sealed fuel rods and assembled into three completed fuel assemblies. Westinghouse Electric Company LLC had expected to complete tests on these fuel assemblies in the U.S. and return them to KEPCO Nuclear Fuel Company (KNFC) under NRC export license XSNM03180 (enclosed); however, that did not occur and the license expired on December 31, 2002.

As a result, since the ROK already provided assurances (enclosed letter to you from Dong-Nyeol YOON, dated June 25, 2001) for the return of these fuel assemblies under NRC export license XSNM03180, we request your assistance in advising the ROK of the changed circumstances and confirming that these assurances can now be applied (only to slightly less material) as proposed under a new NRC export license XSNM03324.

Sincerely,

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