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January 30, 2004

Mr. Daniel Gillen, Chief
Decommissioning Branch
Division of Waste Management
Office of Nuclear Materials Safety and Safeguards
United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Mail Stop T7 F27
Washington, DC 20555

SUBJECT:

License Amendment for Tobico Marsh State Game Area Site and

Submission of a Revised Decommissioning Plan

Dear Mr. Gillen:

By copy of this letter, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) is applying for an amendment of the Tobico Marsh State Game Area (SGA) Site, License Number SUC-1581. Enclosed is our License Amendment Application, Form 313. The Tobico Marsh SGA Site is located at 2301 Two Mile Road, Bay County, Kawkawlin, Michigan.

The intent of this amendment is to revise the current license with the incorporation of the Tobico Marsh SGA Site Decommissioning Plan (enclosed). The proposed decommissioning alternative is essentially a "no action" alternative in that it does not request authorization to excavate, package, or otherwise handle the radioactive material buried at the site. Only minor decommissioning activities are identified which involve:

- Termination and closure of the leachate collection and treatment system (LCTS) piping above grade (the LCTS has never been used to process liquids having residual radioactivity);
- Survey and removal of the LCTS building;
- Packaging and transport of extremely small quantities of sample/investigation derived wastes having low-levels of residual radioactivity; and
- Final Status Survey of the surface soils of the clay cover (after the building is removed, piping systems area terminated, and cover repairs have been effectuated).

The enclosed Decommissioning Plan for the site (revision 1) acknowledges and incorporates the comments and suggestions provided by the NRC following the acceptance review of the previously submitted version (revision 0). In addition to the written acceptance review comments provided by the NRC in a letter dated August 8, 2003, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) and MDNR held a series of three conference calls (August 27, 2003, October 1, 2003, and November 6, 2003). These proved invaluable to both parties in coming to a clearer understanding of the issues that remained. As these discussions progressed, the NRC provided a revision to its earlier written acceptance review comments in a letter dated

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November 14, 2003. MDNR appreciates the cooperative spirit shown by the NRC and looks forward to a swift technical review and endorsement of the DP by the NRC.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Ms. Denise Gruben at 517-335-4036.

Sincerely,

Kelli Sobel

Administrative Services Deputy

517-373-2425

Enclosures

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Mr. Jeff Lively, MACTEC MDC (w/o enc)

Mr. David Freed, MDNR (w/o enc)

Mr. Denise Gruben, MDNR

NRC FORM 313 (11-2003)10 CFR 30, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 39, and 40 U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

APPROVED BY OMB: NO. 3150-0120

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APPLICATION FOR MATERIAL LICENSE

INSTRUCTIONS: SEE THE APPROPRIATE LICENSE APPLICATION GUIDE FOR DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING APPLICATION. SEND TWO COPIES OF THE ENTIRE COMPLETED APPLICATION TO THE NRC OFFICE SPECIFIED BELOW.

APPLICATION FOR DISTRIBUTION OF EXEMPT PRODUCTS FILE APPLICATIONS WITH:						IF YOU ARE LOCATED IN:				
DIVISION OF INDUSTRIAL AND MEDICAL NUCLEAR SAFETY OFFICE OF NUCLEAR MATERIALS SAFETY AND SAFEGUARDS U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION					ILLINOIS, INDIANA, IOWA, MICHIGAN, MINNESOTA, MISSOURI, OHIO, OR WISCONSIN, SEM APPLICATIONS TO:					
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ALABAMA, FLORIDA, GEORGIA, KENTUCKY, MISSISSIPPI, NORTH CAROLINA, PUERTO RICO, SOUTH CAROLINA, TENNESSEE, VIRGINIA, VIRGIN ISLANDS, OR WEST VIRGINIA, SEND APPLICATIONS TO:										
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PERSONS LOCATED IN AGREEMENT STATES SEND APPLICATIONS TO THE U.S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION ONLY IF THEY WISH TO POSSESS AND USE LICENSED MATERIAL IN STATES SUBJECT TO U.S.NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION JURISDICTIONS.										
1. THIS IS AN APPLIC	CATION FOR (Che	ck appropriate item)	_	Ì			DRESS OF APPLICANT	•		
A. NEW LICENSE					Michigan Department of Natural Resources Office of Land and Facilities					
B. AMENDMENT TO LICENSE NUMBER SUC-1581					Stevens T. Mason Building, 8th Floor					
C. RENEWAL OF LICENSE NUMBER					530 West Allegan Street Lansing, MI 48933					
3. ADDRESS WHERE LICENSED MATERIAL WILL BE USED OR POSSESSED							E CONTACTED ABOUT	THIS APPLICATION	N N	
2301 Two Mile Road Bay County, Kawkawlin, MI 48631						Denise Gruben, RSO				
1					TELEPHONE NUMBER					
						(517) 335-4036				
SUBMIT ITEMS 5 THROUGH 11 ON 8-1/2 X 11" PAPER, THE TYPE AND SCOPE OF INFORMATION TO BE PROVIDED IS DESCRIBED IN THE LICENSE APPLICATION GUIDE.										
RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL Element and mass number; b. chemical and/or physical form; and c. maiximum amount which will be possessed at any one time.						6. PURPOSE(S) FOR WHICH LICENSED MATERIAL WILL BE USED.				
INDIVIDUAL(S) RESPONSIBLE FOR RADIATION SAFETY PROGRAM AND THEIR TRAINING EXPERIENCE. (Medical use applicants: Complete NRC Form 313A)						8. TRAINING FOR INDIVIDUALS WORKING IN OR FREQUENTING RESTRICTED AREAS.				
9. FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT.						10. RADIATION SAFETY PROGRAM.				
11. WASTE MANAGEMENT.					12. LICENSE FEES (See 10 CFR 170 and Section 170.31) FEE CATEGORY AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$					
13. CERTIFICATION. (Must be completed by applicant) THE APPLICANT UNDERSTANDS THAT ALL STATEMENTS AND REPRESENTATIONS MADE IN THIS APPLICATION ARE BINDING UPON										
THE APPLICANT AND ANY OFFICIAL EXECUTING THIS CERTIFICATION ON BEHALF OF THE APPLICANT, NAMED IN ITEM 2, CERTIFY THAT THIS APPLICATION IS PREPARED IN CONFORMITY WITH TITLE 10, CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, PARTS 30, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 39, AND 40, AND THAT ALL INFORMATION CONTANED HEREIN IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF THEIR KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.										
WARNING: 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1001 ACT OF JUNE 25, 1948 62 STAT, 749 MAKES IT A CRIMINAL OFFENSE TO MAKE A WILLFULLY FALSE STATEMENT OR REPRESENTATION TO ANY DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY OF THE UNITED STATES AS TO ANY MATTER WITHIN ITS JURISDICTION.										
CERTIFYING OFFICER - TYPED/PRINTED NAME AND TITLE Kelli Sobel, Deputy Director of Administration, MDNR						the St	N/		1-28-04	
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APPROVED BY DATE										

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- 5. RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL: Unchanged
- 6. PURPOSE FOR WHICH LICENSED MATERIAL WILL BE USED: This amendment requests the incorporation of the Tobico Marsh SGA Site Decommissioning Plan (DP) including the decommissioning activities proposed. The proposed decommissioning alternative is essentially a "no action" alternative in that it does not request authorization to excavate, package or otherwise handle the subsurface radioactive materials buried at the site. Only minor decommissioning activities are identified, which involve:
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- 7. INDIVIDUAL(S) RESPONSIBLE FOR RADIATION SAFETY PROGRAM AND THEIR TRAINING EXPERIENCE: Unchanged
- 8. TRAINING FOR INDIVIDUALS WORKING IN OR FREQUENTING RESTRICTED AREAS: See Section 9.0 of the DP
- 9. FACILITES AND EQUIPMENT: Unchanged
- 10. RADIATION SAFETY PROGRAM: See Section 10.0 of the DP
- 11. WASTE MANAGEMENT: See Section 12.0 of the DP