

September 19, 2005

Mr. John H. Ellis
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SUBJECT: SEQUOYAH FUELS CORPORATION - MATERIALS LICENSE NO. SUB-1010 -
DRAFT SAFETY EVALUATION REPORT - RECLAMATION PLAN
(TAC L52511)

Dear Mr. Ellis:

By letter dated January 28, 2003, you submitted a proposed reclamation plan for the Sequoyah Fuels Corporation's (SFC's) Gore, Oklahoma, site. The reclamation plan has been updated by your submittals dated August 8, 2003, August 29, 2003, February 17, 2004, and April 12, 2005. The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) staff has completed a detailed technical review of the reclamation plan. We have prepared the enclosed Draft Safety Evaluation Report (DSER), describing our review, and summarizing our findings and conclusions. We have identified 42 open issues (see Table 1-1 of the DSER) that must be resolved before we can approve SFC's reclamation plan. Additionally, we have identified 9 confirmatory items (Table 1-2 of the DSER) that must also be addressed by SFC.

We are prepared to discuss our findings and conclusions with SFC, either by phone or in a meeting, at our mutual convenience. If you would like to set up a conference call or meeting, or if you have any questions concerning this letter please contact me at (301) 415-6629 or by e-mail at mhf1@nrc.gov.

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