From: Amy Snyder To: A. Nardi

Date: 10/21/05 11:51AM

Subject: Re: Return Receipt of waste materials at the Hematite Facility

Joe,

I have discussed this with OGC. OGC's initial impression is favorable however before OGC will finalized their decision OGC has asked me to find out the following so that we understand the situation:

- 1. Does WEC have any other options regarding sending the proposed waste directly to another waste processing facility instead of sending it back to the site and than shipping it out to a waste processer? If not, why not?
- 2. Approximately, how long does WEC plan on having the proposed waste remain on the site before it is shipped off to another waste processing facility?
- 3. Describe how WEC staged or temporarily located the waste on site before it was initially shipped out. How does WEC propose to stage or temporary locate the waste onsite if it is sent back to the site? Describe the controls that will be put in place or what procedures will be followed to ensure adequate radiation protection of the public and the environment?
- 4. How will this proposed action of sending waste back to the site impact current and proposed decommissioning activities?
- 5. What form will the waste be in if shipped back to the site? Will it have changed in anyway since it was shipped offsite? What volume of waste will be involved?
- 6. What is WEC's plans for receiving the waste? Specifically, will be it shipped back in one shipment or multiple shipments? What period of time does WEC anticipate it will take to ship the waste back to the site? ... to ship the waste out again to another waste processor?
- 7. If WEC decides to delay its decommissioning activities, how will WEC proceed with addressing this waste if it is shipped back to the site?

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>>> "Nardi, A. Joseph" <<u>nardiaj@westinghouse.com</u>> 09/22/05 11:11 AM >>> Amy,

As we discussed last week, here is a summary description of Westinghouse plans to have certain waste materials returned to the Hematite facility after processing by other licensed operations.

Westinghouse has determined that it will be necessary to receive back from licensed waste processors certain low level waste materials originally

generated at the Hematite facility under License Number SNM-33 that will be eventually disposed of at a licensed disposal facility. These waste materials will be limited to processed waste that originated at the Hematite site as part of the ongoing decommissioning project. This action is necessary due to contractual conditions related to the ultimate disposal of the waste. Section 1.5 of the license application states that for Items A, B and C (of the authorized possession limits): "Receipt of any additional materials in these categories is limited to that necessary to complete the decommissioning of the site and facilities." There is no provision in the license itself that restricts such receipts. Therefore Westinghouse concludes that the receipt back of waste material that originated at the Hematite site for disposal at a licensed disposal site is an authorized activity appropriate to the continued decommissioning of the site and facilities and plans to continue with this course of action. This is also consistent with the authority given to nuclear power plants pursuant to 10 CFR 50.54(ee).

CC: Brooke Smith; C. L. Werner; David Brown; Gordon M. Vytlacil; Hank A. Sepp; Kimberly Gruss

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