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Package Model No.: DHTF

Report Submitted By: Richard D. Montgomery

Report Date: August 1, 2005

Review the incoming report to determine if additional Commission or staff action is warranted. The review should consider whether the report identifies a generic defect or problem with the package design and the safety significance of the issue. Note that a high safety significance represents a potential for significant radiation exposure, medium safety significance represents a potential for some moderate radiation exposure, and low safety significance represents little or no potential for radiation exposure.

1. The report identifies:

- Significant reduction in the effectiveness of a package during use;
- Defect with a safety significance;
- Shipment in which conditions of the approval were not observed.

2. What is the safety significance? High Medium Low

3. Summary of the report:

On May 27, 2005, a shipment comprised of 51 DHTF, which are 55-gallon drums, and 25 BW-2901 packagings loaded with nuclear fuel pellets, was made from Framatom ANP's (FANP) Richland Facility to FANP's Lynchburg Facility. Packaging #146 contained 105.40 kg UO₂ pellets placed on steel trays inside four cardboard boxes stacked in two rows inside an inner steel container within a 55-gallon drum. The design and Certificate of Compliance call for the placement of a steel plate between the two rows of the cardboard boxes inside the inner steel container. During unpacking of packaging #146 on 05/31/2005, the separator plate was observed to be missing.

4. Corrective actions taken by the licensee:

To prevent a recurrence of this type of event, the inspection check list was modified to include verification of separator plate installation. This verification is similar to the process used for the BW-2901 package to verify installation of plates containing Boron. The revised procedure to verify installation of the separator plate has been issued and appropriate personnel training has been completed and documented.

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5. Staff comments:

There were no safety consequences as a result of the event.

6. Staff conclusion:

- : The report does NOT identify generic design or license/certificate issues that warrant additional Commission or staff action. This report is considered closed.
- 9 There is a need to take additional action. Provide a summary of the bases and recommended actions:

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