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Mr. Mark Roberts
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
475 Allendale Road
King of Prussia, PA 19406

RE: Protection of Building 7 Excavations
Former Westinghouse Lamp Manufacturing Plant
Bloomfield, New Jersey
License No. SMB-1527

Dear Mr. Roberts:

This letter is follow-up to my letter dated August 25, 1998 to you requesting release of Buildings 7 and 8 for demolition at the subject facility. One concern you verbally expressed to CBS representatives was the availability of future access to the soils in the existing Building 7 excavations. Based upon discussions with several demolition firms, CBS has developed a plan to allow future access to the excavations after demolition. First, the excavations will be mapped and located. The second step will be to line the excavations with plastic sheeting and cover the excavations with steel plates. The steel plates will be fastened to the existing concrete floor to minimize movement during demolition. After demolition, debris covering the plates will be removed to expose the plates. The steel plates will then be removed. Any debris on the plastic sheeting and the plastic sheeting will be removed. Surface water will be diverted away from the trenches. The excavations will be covered to provide for safety and protection from the weather, and secured to minimize unauthorized access.

CBS believes that these procedures address NRC's objective of allowing access to the trenches after demolition. In closing, CBS appreciates your continuing efforts to help us resolve the remaining issues at the facility. Please call either of us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Richard K. Smith
Director,
Environmental Remediation

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cc: Anthony Dimitridis, NRC
Richard Proctor, Bloomfield Township, Environmental Services
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