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U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Gary S. Janosko, Chief Fuel Cycle Facilities Branch, FCSS Mail Stop 8 F42 Washington, D.C. 20555

Dear Mr. Janosko:

Subject: Additional Financial Assurance Instruments for AREVA NP Inc. Richland,

Washington Fuel Fabrication Facility (License No. SNM-1227; Docket No. 70-1257)

Ref.: 1. Letter, R. E. Link to G. S. Janosko, "Updated Financial Assurance Instruments for AREVA

NP Inc. Richland, Washington Fuel Fabrication Facility (License No. SNM-1227; Docket No. 70-1257); dated April 19, 2006.

Via the referenced letter, AREVA NP provided to you the originals of the financial assurance instruments supporting its annual financial test update for its parent company guarantee. English translations of the parent firm's (AREVA's) 2005 financial statements and associated Auditors' Report on the Consolidated Financial Statements were not available at that time. That information, extracted from the recently received English translation of the 2005 AREVA Annual Report (Management Report of the Executive Board 2005), is attached.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 509-375-8409.

Very truly yours.

R. E. Link, Manager

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