

May 30, 2006

Ron Land, Site Manager
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Richland, WA 99352-5102

SUBJECT: NRC INSPECTION REPORT NO. 70-1257/2006-201

Dear Mr. Land:

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) conducted a routine inspection of the material control and accounting (MC&A) safeguards program at the AREVA Richland, WA, facility on April 24-27, 2006. The purpose of this inspection was to determine whether activities authorized by the licensee were conducted safely and in accordance with U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) requirements. The enclosed report presents the results of the inspection, which were discussed with you and members of your staff at the conclusion of the inspection on April 27, 2006.

Areas examined during the inspection included: management structure, measurement and measurement control programs, physical inventory, resolution program, assessment program, and recordkeeping. Within these areas, the inspection consisted of selective examinations of procedures and representative records, interviews with personnel, and observations of activities in progress. Within the scope of this inspection, no violations or deviations were identified.

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Sincerely,

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