May 31, 2006

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SUBJECT: RENEWAL OF CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE NO. USA/9277/B()F FOR MODEL NO. FSV-1 UNIT 3 PACKAGE, REVISION 3 (TAC NO. L23971)

Dear Mr. Asmussen:

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If you have any questions regarding this certificate, please contact me or Jill Caverly of my staff at (301) 415-8500.

Sincerely,

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SAFETY EVALUATION REPORT

Docket No. 71-9277
Model No. FSV-1 Unit 3 Package
Certificate of Compliance No. 9277
Revision No. 3

SUMMARY

By application dated May 5, 2006, General Atomics (GA) requested renewal of Certificate of Compliance (CoC) No. 9277 for the Model No. FSV-1 Unit 3 package. GA did not request any changes to the package design or authorized contents. The certificate has been renewed for a term ending October 1, 2008.

EVALUATION

By application dated May 5, 2006, GA requested renewal of Certificate of Compliance No. 9277. The staff reviewed the documents referenced in the certificate and determined that the documentation was available and complete. The staff also reviewed the operating and maintenance procedures for any impacts due to the proposed changes and determined that there are no affects from the proposed modifications.

The Certificate of Compliance No. 9277 has been renewed until October 1, 2008. This is less than the standard 5-year renewal interval because the safety series under which this CoC was originally approved will no longer be valid. This is due to the requirement of the most recent revision of 10 CFR Part 71, updated October 2004 (69 FR 3698) that does not authorize renewal for packages approved under the 1967 safety series past October 1, 2008.

The following changes have been made to the Certificate of Compliance:

- Condition No. 11 was revised to reflect the new numbering due to the new Part 71 ruling effective October 1, 2004 (69 FR 3698).

- Condition No. 12 was added to authorize the use of the previous revision of the certificate for a period of approximately one year.

- Condition No. 13 was updated for the new expiration date of October 1, 2008. This certificate is not renewable.

CONCLUSION

The certificate has been renewed for a term that expires on October 1, 2008. This change does not affect the ability of the package to meet the requirements of 10 CFR Part 71.

Issued with Certificate of Compliance No. 9277, Revision 3
on May 31, 2006.