

June 13, 2006

MEMORANDUM TO: Larry W. Camper, Director
Division of Waste Management
Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards

FROM: Margaret M. Doane, Deputy Director **/RA/**
Office of International Programs

SUBJECT: PROPOSED IMPORT AND EXPORT OF RADIOACTIVE WASTE
FROM CANADA (APPLICATION NOS. IW017 AND XW010)

The Office of International Programs (OIP) requests your assistance to perform a technical review of the enclosed application documents from Duratek Services, Inc. (Duratek) for licenses to import and export Class A radioactive waste from and to Canada. Specifically, we need your assessment of whether the descriptions of the proposed import and export are sufficient to make a determination that issuing the import license would not constitute an unreasonable risk to the public health and safety

The purpose of the import license is to import up to 6000 tons of radioactively contaminated materials including metals, dry activity material (wood, paper, and plastic) and liquids (aqueous and organic based) for recycle, incineration or potential use in Duratek operations. The purpose of the export license is to allow waste that is attributable to Canadian sources under the import license to be exported back to Canada for disposal.

OIP requested assistance from the U.S. Department of State (DOS) to notify the Government of Canada regarding the Duratek import and export license requests and to obtain any comments that the Canadian Government might have in the context of the Joint Convention on the Safety of Spent Fuel Management and on Radioactive Waste Management. OIP also requested DOS views as to whether the subject import will be consistent with the Convention's guidelines. OIP will also provide this same information to officials in the States of Tennessee (where Duratek is located and licensed to provide the services described) and the Southeast Low Level Radioactive Waste Compact Commission.

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I would greatly appreciate receiving a response within two weeks from the date of this memorandum as to whether issuance of the proposed import and export licenses is recommended and would not constitute an unreasonable risk to public health and safety. If you cannot complete a review and provide such a recommendation within that time frame, or determine that additional information is needed from the applicant, please contact me at (301) 415-1780 or Ms. Janice Owens at (301) 415-3684 at your earliest convenience.

Enclosures:

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