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MEMORANDUM TO: William H. Ruland, Deputy Director
Licensing and Inspection Directorate
Spent Fuel Project Office, NMSS

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SUBJECT: SUMMARY OF AUGUST 30, 2006, MEETING WITH PACTEC AND DOE
REGARDING DESIGN OF A PACKAGE FOR SHIPMENT OF
UNIRRADIATED ATR FUEL

Background

A meeting was held on August 30, 2006, in Rockville, Maryland, at the request of the Packaging Technology (PacTec) on behalf of the Department of Energy (DOE) to discuss the design of a new transport package for unirradiated ATR fuel. The package will be a Type AF package. Enclosure 1 is the list of meeting attendees, and Enclosure 2 is the meeting handout. No regulatory decisions were made nor requested at the meeting.

Discussion

The discussion followed the enclosed meeting handout. The following points were discussed:

- PacTec is designing a package for the transport of unirradiated ATR fuel. PacTec presented the conceptual design for the package. The package will be composed of a 5-inch diameter stainless steel pipe surrounded by ceramic fiber insulation and a stainless steel outer shell. The lid incorporates a bayonet-style closure. A single fuel element is positioned with top and bottom aluminum fittings. Near-term activities include fabrication of five prototype units for engineering testing and operational evaluation.
- The preliminary plans for the package evaluation were provided. The applicant plans to use physical tests to demonstrate the package performance. After the engineering tests are complete, the certification test plan will be developed. PacTec plans to request another meeting to discuss the certification tests.
- PacTec presented a schedule for certification activities. The next meeting is planned for December 2006, and an application for package approval is scheduled to be submitted in June 2007. The need date was identified as December 2007.

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2. Meeting Handout

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August 30, 2006, Meeting
between Department of Energy and Packaging Technology and
the Nuclear Regulatory Commission

MEETING ATTENDEES

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Jerry Chuang	NRC/SFPO
Chuck Interrante	NRC/SFPO
Nancy Osgood	NRC/SFPO
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Phil Noss	PacTec
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