

January 30, 2008

Mr. Robin DeLaBarre
U.S. Department of State
2201 C Street, NW
Office of Nuclear Energy Affairs, Room 3318
Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. DeLaBarre:

Enclosed is an application for a license (IW024), received by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) from AREVA NP Inc., (AREVA) for the return (import) of approximately 55 gallons of Class A radioactive waste. The waste was generated from the machining process of the DC Cook (Michigan, U.S.) reactor coolant pump internals being performed during refurbishment in France. This process generated waste products in the form of contaminated protective clothing, rags, metal shavings and rejected parts.

EnergySolutions, located in Oak Ridge, Tennessee, has agreed to accept the waste generated from the machining process provided AREVA satisfies the NRC import requirements. The waste meets the EnergySolutions/Duratek Waste Acceptance Guidelines (WAG) and there is a current contract in place with applicable terms and conditions. AREVA has obtained a letter verifying that EnergySolutions will accept the waste for incineration

Before taking action on this application, we request your assistance in notifying EURATOM and French Government authorities of the proposed radioactive waste import into the U.S. and obtaining any comments that those authorities might have in the context of the Joint Convention on the Safety of Spent Fuel Management and on the Safety of Radioactive Waste Management.

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We also request your views as to whether the subject import will be consistent with the Convention's guidelines. NRC will consult with the State of Tennessee where the waste will be incinerated.

Sincerely,

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