

## Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

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**Bureau of Facility Design and Construction** 

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Mr. John Nicholson U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission 475 Allendale Road King of Prussia, PA 19406

RE:

License Transfer Request

License No.: 37-17860-02

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Dear Mr. Nicholson:

The Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) has been working closely for years with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection's Bureau of Radiation Protection (DEP) towards the completion of the decommissioning and termination of the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) license number 37-17860-02. DCNR owns this property in the Quehanna Wild Area in the north central portion of the Commonwealth.

This letter is to notify you that DCNR is prepared to take the responsibilities of the licensee for this site if NRC approves the transfer from DEP to DCNR. The position of Radiation Safety Officer will be filled by an employee of our contractor, EnergySolutions. Mr. Michael Carr, CHP has been assigned to fill that role. An explanation of Mr. Carr and DCNR's roles are explained in further detail in the letter from DEP requesting the transfer. A copy of his résumé is also included with that correspondence. DCNR has reviewed this letter and accepts all of the details described therein. We would like to reiterate our acceptance of responsibilities and our commitment to complete this site cleanup and eventual license termination. This process will be completed under all current conditions and requirements applicable to this license.

Please consider Al Thomas, of my staff, as the DCNR point of contact for any needed communications. He will provide the primary oversight of the contractor's work and responsibilities. His contact information is as follows:

Albert C. Thomas, Jr., P.E. 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, RCSOB 400 Market St.

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In addition, DCNR is the current provider of the Financial Assurance for this site, and we will continue to support this project in all necessary ways to obtain license termination.

I appreciate your consideration and action on transferring License No. 37-17860-02 from DEP to DCNR. Please feel free to contact Al Thomas or myself if you have any questions on this matter.

Sincerely,

Eugene J. Comoss, P.E.

Director

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