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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Fuel Facility Licensing Directorate, FCSS
Attn : Michael D. Tschlitz
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Washington, DC 20555

Dear Mr. Tschlitz:

Subject: Standby Trust Agreement in Support of Decommissioning Financial Assurance for the AREVA NP Inc. Richland, Washington Fuel Fabrication Facility (License No. SNM-1227; Docket No. 70-1257)

Reference: Letter, R.E. Link to M.D. Tschlitz, "Letter of Credit for Decommissioning Financial Assurance for the AREVA NP Inc. Richland, Washington Fuel Fabrication Facility (License No. SNM-1227; Docket No. 70-1257)," March 28, 2008.

Via the referenced letter, AREVA conveyed to the NRC Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit No. SB22.802 providing decommissioning financial assurance for its Richland fuel fabrication facility. By this letter AREVA is now conveying the supporting standby trust agreement (attached) entered into as of April 28, 2008 with the State Street Bank and Trust Company, 125 Sunnynoll Ct., Suite 200, Winston-Salem, NC, 27106.

AREVA understands that its existing parent company guarantee will remain in effect until the NRC has approved AREVA's provision of financial assurance via the letter of credit/standby trust agreement method. AREVA further understands that upon approval of this replacement financial assurance, the NRC will return the cancelled parent company guarantee to AREVA.

If you have questions, please contact me at 509-375-8409.

Very truly yours,

Calvin D Manning for

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