

SAFEGUARDS INFORMATION

August 12, 2008

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SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF HIGHWAY ROUTE TO TRANSPORT SPENT NUCLEAR FUEL FROM MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS, TO SAVANNAH RIVER SITE, AIKEN, SOUTH CAROLINA (NRC ROUTE NO. 217)

Dear Mr. Mosley:

On behalf of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), I am responding to your letter of May 15, 2008, which requested the NRC approve a route for transporting spent nuclear fuel (SNF) from Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts, to the Savannah River Site, Aiken, South Carolina (NRC Route No. 217).

The NRC has reviewed your application and concluded that the information satisfies the requirements of Title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR) 73.37. Specific details of Route No. 217 are enclosed [Enclosure 1]. Specific details of Route No. 217 combined with additional Safeguards Information (SGI) are also enclosed [Enclosure 2]. Enclosure 2 will not be released to the public and you should protect it in accordance with the requirements of 10 CFR 73.21. Approval of Route No. 217 will expire August 31, 2013. The NRC expects your periodic review and update of the emergency phone numbers associated with this route. Changes to emergency contact numbers do not qualify as a route deviation or change.

The NRC issued Additional Security Measures (ASMs) for the transportation of SNF on October 3, 2002, for NRC licensees who ship greater than 100 grams of SNF. Licensees are required to comply with the requirements of 10 CFR 73.37 and these ASMs when shipping SNF. Licensees are also required to comply with U.S. Departments of Transportation and Homeland Security regulations on the shipment of hazardous materials.

In addition, the NRC also issued Regulatory Issue Summary (RIS) 2002-12I, Rev. 1, on October 3, 2002, "Transportation of Spent Nuclear Fuel Greater than 100 Grams - NRC Threat Advisory and Protective Measures System." The RIS advised licensees to consider various recommendations to be taken in conjunction with changes to the national or transportation-sector threat levels, when shipping spent nuclear fuel.

WARNING: Violation of Section 147 of the Atomic Energy Act, "Safeguards Information" is subject to Civil and Criminal Penalties

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Sincerely,

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Division of Security Policy
Office of Nuclear Security and Incident Response

Docket No.: 07007011

Enclosures:

1. Route No. 217 - Mileage Summary
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