



Thomas A. Christopher  
President and CEO

## CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (CEO) LETTER

March 31, 2005

U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20055

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am the President and Chief Executive Officer of Framatome ANP, Inc., 2101 Horn Rapids Road, Richland, Washington, 99352, a corporation. This letter is in support of this firm's use of the financial test to demonstrate financial assurance, as specified in 10 CFR Part 70.

I hereby certify that Framatome ANP, Inc. is currently a going concern, and that it possesses positive tangible-net worth in the amount of \$176M as of December 31, 2004.

This firm is not required to file a Form 10-K with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission for the latest fiscal year. This fiscal year of this firm ends on December 31.

I hereby certify that the content of this letter is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Thomas A. Christopher'.

Thomas A. Christopher

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