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MEMORANDUM TO: Mark Delligatti, Chief
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Division of Intergovernmental Liaison
and Rulemaking (DILR)
Office of Federal and State Materials
and Environmental Management Programs

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SUBJECT: USER NEED FOR RULEMAKING FOR AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO
TRANSNUCLEAR, INC., NUHOMS®-HD CASK SYSTEM

The following information is being provided to request rulemaking support for the following
Division of Spent Fuel Storage and Transportation (SFST) 10 CFR Part 72 licensing activity.

1. Changes to 10 CFR 72.214 rule text (changes appear in bold):

Certificate Number: 1030.

Initial Certificate Effective Date: January 10, 2007.

**Amendment Number 1 Effective Date: [insert 75 days from date of FR
publication].**

SAR Submitted by: Transnuclear, Inc.

SAR Title: Final Safety Analysis Report for the NUHOMS® HD Horizontal Modular
Storage System Irradiated Nuclear Fuel.

Docket Number: 72-1030.

Certificate Expiration Date: January 10, 2027.

Model Number: NUHOMS® HD-32PTH

2. Use the following text for the purpose and scope of the amendment:

By application dated November 1, 2007, as supplemented, Transnuclear, Inc. (TN)
requested approval of an amendment, under the provisions of 10 CFR Part 72,
Subpart K and L, to Certificate of Compliance (CoC) No. 1030 for the NUHOMS® HD
Horizontal Modular Storage System for Irradiated Nuclear Fuel. The amendment
includes changes to:

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 - reduce the minimum initial enrichment of fuel assemblies from 1.5 wt.% U-235 to 0.2 wt.% U-235,
 - clarify the requirements of reconstituted fuel assemblies,
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