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Global Laser Enrichment
Docket Number 70-7016

ATTN: Document Control Desk
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Fuel Facility Licensing Directorate
Division of Fuel Cycle Safety and Safeguards
Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards
U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Washington, D.C. 20555-0001

**SUBJECT: GE-HITACHI GLOBAL LASER ENRICHMENT RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION RELATED TO COMMENCEMENT OF
CONSTRUCTION**

Dear Mr. Tschiltz,

As described in our letter dated December 8, 2008, GE-Hitachi Nuclear Energy Global Laser Enrichment, LLC (GLE) is seeking an exemption from the regulations in 10 CFR 70.4 and 70.23(a)(7) in order to engage in certain site-related activities prior to receipt of a license to construct and operate a uranium enrichment facility. This letter is in response to your letter dated April 7, 2009, in which you requested additional information. After discussions with NRC staff, and upon further consideration, GLE is amending the exemption request to exclude the following activities:

- Fabrication facility and warehouse
- Security lighting/cameras/motion detectors
- Security systems
- Vehicle barriers/stops

The activities that are still included in the exemption request are as follows:

- Clearing of 100 acres for GLE facility
- Site grading and erosion control
- Storm water retention ponds
- Main access roadways and guardhouses
- Utilities
- Parking lots

c/s

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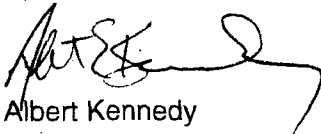
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- Administrative buildings (not to be used to process/handle/store classified information)

Any facilities, structures, or equipment to be installed prior to receipt of a license and to be used to provide lighting, barriers, fencing, or other security will be limited to those used for business security and liability reasons to protect against theft and injury during construction activities, as well as to maintain access control over traffic and personnel entering and exiting the construction area. Those facilities, structures, and equipment will not be used, at a later date, to implement GLE's Physical Security Plan or its Standard Practice Procedures Plan for the protection of classified matter, absent an additional NRC-approved exemption request as may be necessary. GLE, however, does not currently intend to submit such a request.

If you have any questions, or require additional information, please contact Julie Olivier of my staff at 910-819-4799, or at Julie.Olivier@ge.com; or myself at 910-819-1925 or at Albert.Kennedy@ge.com.

Sincerely,



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