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U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
Attn: Document Control Desk
Director, Office of Nuclear Material Safety
and Safeguards
11555 Rockville Pike
One White Flint North
Rockville, MD 20852

Gentlemen:

Subject: Updated Schedule A to AREVA NP Inc.'s (AREVA's) Standby Trust Agreement for Decommissioning Financial Assurance; License No. SNM-1227, Docket No. 70-1257.

Ref.: 1. Letter, R. L. Rodriguez to R. E. Link, "Approval of AREVA NP Inc.'s Updated Decommissioning Funding Plan for its Richland, Washington Facility (TAC No. L32821)," August 4, 2009.

Via the referenced letter, the NRC granted its approval of AREVA's most recent update of its decommissioning funding plan (DFP) and associated cost estimate for its Richland fuel fabrication facility (E06-04-007, Version 4.0; July 2009). In conjunction with the approval, the NRC requested that AREVA provide an updated Schedule A associated with the Standby Trust Agreement (Exhibit 2) included within the DFP.

Accordingly, please find attached the First Amendment to Amended and Restated Standby Trust Agreement Between AREVA NP Inc. and State Street Bank and Trust Company. The amendment amends the Agreement with respect to Schedule A by updating the date of the NRC's last approval of the decommissioning cost estimate from June 1, 2006 to August 4, 2009.

Consistent with Section 15 of the Agreement, the amendment must be executed by the Grantor (AREVA), the Trustee (State Street Bank and Trust Company), and the NRC. Concurrently with this submittal to the Document Control Desk, three unexecuted copies of the amendment are being submitted to AREVA's NRC Project Manager for the Richland site, R.L. Rodriguez. After securing the appropriate NRC signature on each of the three copies, they will be returned to AREVA (Attn: R.E. Link, Manager, Environmental, Health, Safety & Licensing) for subsequent execution by AREVA and State Street Bank and Trust. Once fully executed, AREVA will distribute an original executed copy to both the NRC and the Trustee, retaining the last copy for its own records.

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If you have questions, please feel free to contact me at (509) 375-8409.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert E. Link". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "R" and "L".

Robert E. Link, Manager
Environmental, Health, Safety & Licensing

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cc: w/enclosures

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**FIRST AMENDMENT TO AMENDED AND RESTATED STANDBY TRUST
AGREEMENT BETWEEN
AREVA NP INC.
AND
STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY**

FIRST AMENDMENT to that certain Amended and Restated Standby Trust Agreement (the "Agreement") made as of April 28, 2008 by and between State Street Bank and Trust Company, a Massachusetts trust company (the "Trustee") and Areva NP Inc., a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware (the "Grantor").

WHEREAS, Section 15 of the Agreement provides for its amendment by an instrument in writing executed by the Trustee, the Grantor and the NRC:

WHEREAS, the Trustee and the Grantor desire to further amend the Agreement with respect to Schedule A.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Trustee and the Grantor hereby amend the Agreement as follows:

1. Schedule A is hereby amended by striking the date of "June 1, 2006" and replacing it with " August 4, 2009."
2. All other provisions, terms and conditions contained in the Agreement, as amended, shall remain in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Amendment as of the ___ day of _____, 2009.

AREVA NP INC.

NUCLEAR REGULATORY
COMMISSION

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____

STATE STREET BANK AND TRUST COMPANY

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WHEREAS, Section 15 of the Agreement provides for its amendment by an instrument in writing executed by the Trustee, the Grantor and the NRC:

WHEREAS, the Trustee and the Grantor desire to further amend the Agreement with respect to Schedule A.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Trustee and the Grantor hereby amend the Agreement as follows:

1. Schedule A is hereby amended by striking the date of "June 1, 2006" and replacing it with " August 4, 2009."
2. All other provisions, terms and conditions contained in the Agreement, as amended, shall remain in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Amendment as of the ___ day of _____, 2009.

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WHEREAS, Section 15 of the Agreement provides for its amendment by an instrument in writing executed by the Trustee, the Grantor and the NRC:

WHEREAS, the Trustee and the Grantor desire to further amend the Agreement with respect to Schedule A.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Trustee and the Grantor hereby amend the Agreement as follows:

1. Schedule A is hereby amended by striking the date of "June 1, 2006" and replacing it with " August 4, 2009."
2. All other provisions, terms and conditions contained in the Agreement, as amended, shall remain in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Amendment as of the ___ day of _____, 2009.

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